



LIMESTONE, Maine -- May 29, 2021 -- MSSM graduates throw their caps into the air after receiving their diplomas Saturday. (Melissa Lizotte | Aroostook Republican)

2020-2021 Annual Report

Mission:

The MSSM Foundation helps to ensure the long-term success of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics by raising and distributing resources to enhance its educational offerings, maintain an outstanding faculty, and ensure access to all qualified students

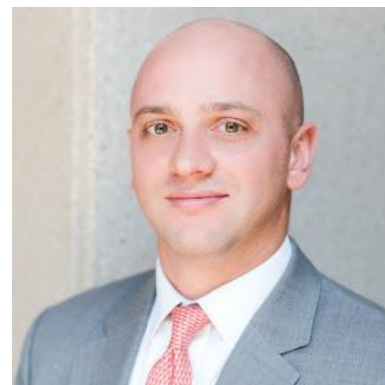


Message from the Chair

Dear Friends and Supporters of MSSM,

It's been 23 years since I graduated from MSSM. After nearly two and a half decades away from Limestone, why am I still involved?

First, I feel a significant amount of gratitude towards the school and the people in it. It is not hard for me to look at who I am today and trace back pieces of it to my time at MSSM. It is also hard to imagine that my path in life would have been the same had I stayed at my sending school. I am involved because I am thankful.



Second, even after all this time, I still feel a kinship with the current students at MSSM. We often talk about students finding “their people” when they attend MSSM. That applies to the entire alumni community. We all share a collective experience with those that came before us, after us, and those there now. I am involved because I want current students to have the same opportunities -- or better opportunities -- than I did.

I believe in the mission of the school. The term “magnet school” is an apt moniker as MSSM attracts students from across the state to its hallways. There are students from all 16 of Maine’s counties and they are some of the most talented pupils the state has to offer. The faculty deliver a world-class education that prepares students for a competitive and demanding world that desperately needs their talents. I am involved because MSSM and its graduates make the world a better place.

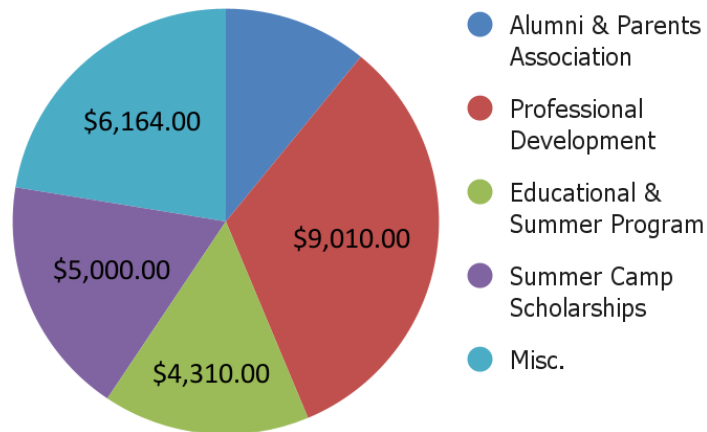
Finally, I’m involved because of my friends. Friends I met at MSSM and still keep in touch with today. Friends who host me and my family for dinner, friends whose children play with mine, friends who look out for each other. Those relationships did not develop in a vacuum, they developed at MSSM.

So, 23 years after graduation, MSSM is still a vital and vibrant part of my life and I don’t think that is going to change. I encourage you to join me. Get involved. Make a gift to the Foundation. Reach out to an old teacher. Reconnect with a dorm-mate. Help mentor a recent graduate. This annual report will give you a quick snapshot of what the MSSM Foundation does. However, in order for the Foundation to succeed, we need *you* to be involved. It takes the support of all of us to make MSSM flourish.

Best regards,

E. Clark Copelin, Class of 1998
Chair, Maine School of Science and Mathematics Foundation

MSSM Foundation at Work



Student Activities

In a project that was part student activities, part program enhancement, and part community outreach, the Foundation helped to support a herculean effort by Connor St. Peter, '21 to oversee the construction of an outdoor observatory at the Francis Malcolm



Science Center in Limestone. Inspired by his MSSM Astronomy class with Larry Berz and a school trip to a private observatory in Mars Hill, Connor's vision for his Eagle Scout project was to take advantage of our dark skies here in Aroostook County to have a lasting impact on those looking to the stars. Connor secured funding, materials, expertise, and strong arms to provide a place where telescopes could be safely stored in a permanent shelter equipped with a movable roof for viewing.



Student Assistance

The MSSM Foundation is committed to making the MSSM's programs accessible to all students, regardless of their financial need. Each year, through the thoughtful generosity of individuals and businesses, room and board assistance is provided to MSSM students whose need is not fully met by traditional financial aid. Gifts to the MSSM Foundation also supported Summer Camp scholarships.

Professional Development

The Foundation provided funding to assist English Instructor Cindy Berurbe continue her pursuit of a Graduate Certificate in Literature at USM. As part of the course, Mrs. Berube developed a seven week Science Fiction unit she is utilizing this fall for her new course, Fantastical and Fearsome Literature. The Foundation also provided stipends for MSSM faculty Dr. Greg Hamlin and James Robertson to train and teach classes for Maine girls ages 12-16. In collaboration with the Maine Math and Science Alliance, James and Greg taught an Augmented Reality (AR) course centered around the theme of “reducing waste”.



Facilities and Equipment

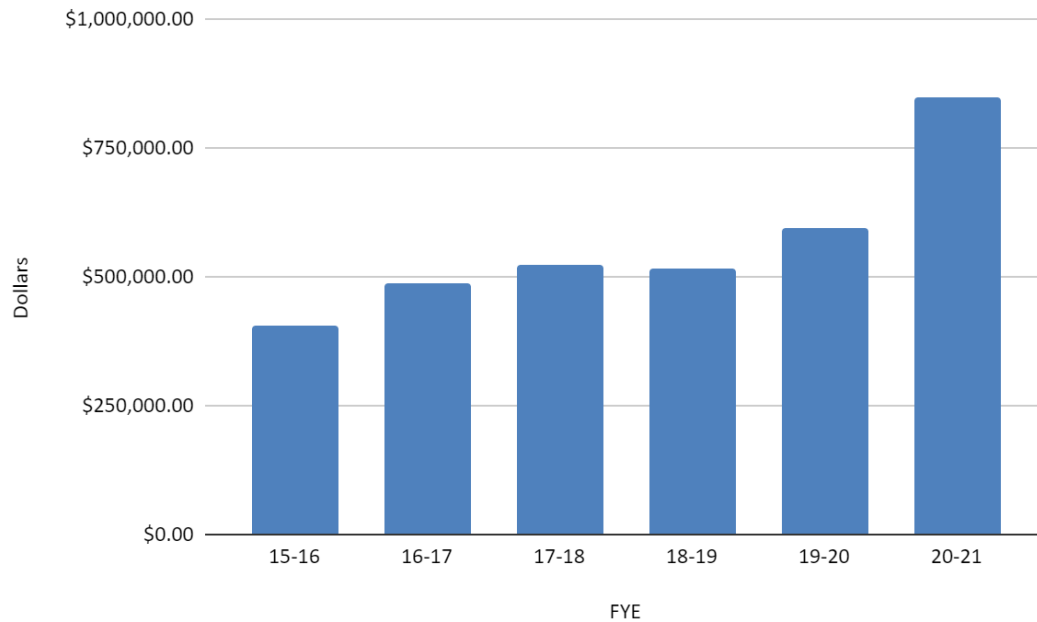
In recent years, MSSM has been working to re-purpose the Limestone Community School Art room to its former glory as a Home Economics space. The work areas and appliances were still functional, but the room lacked the basic equipment needed for students and staff to fully access the multiple cooking spaces. The Foundation provided funding to outfit three kitchen areas with mixers, bowls, pots, and pans. Given the ongoing COVID restrictions that limit student travel off-campus, this space has been well used and appreciated by students and faculty alike.

"The Home Ec Room's new supplies are amazing. It makes cooking and baking so much more smooth and easy!"

Sam Griffin '23



Total Foundation Resources

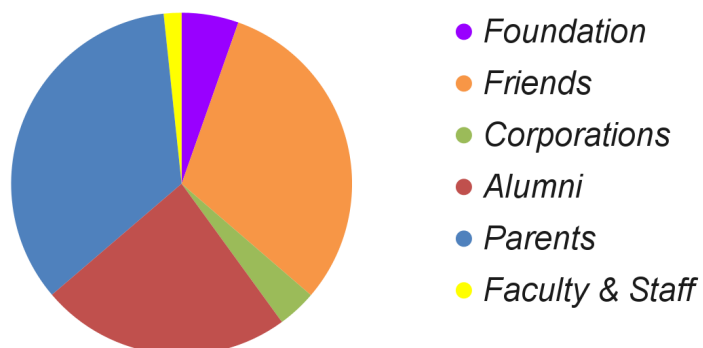


The Year by the Numbers:



Sources of Support

July 1, 2020 to June 30 2021



RECOGNIZING OUR DONORS

Big Bang Society - \$10,000+

Jason and Julia Dark '04
Ron and Linda Fabio P'98
Ruth-Anne Gibson P'02
Anna Marie & John E. Thron

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Catalyst Society - \$1,000—\$4,999

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Double Helix Society - \$500—\$999

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Jeremy Shute '98
Elizabeth and Steven Symonds P'09
Mary Thron P'02,'03
Cory Washington '03
Jeffrey York '97

Euclid's Element Society- \$250—\$499

Renee Ashton '00
Ryan Bagley '99 and Thaddeus Copeland
Wendell and Ruth Basista
Anthony and Ramona Cesare P'10
Chester M. Kearney
Debra Deal P'20
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The County Federal Credit Union

Halley's Comet Society - \$100—\$249

A4 Architecture, PA P'16,'22
Justin Barker '06
Tyler Beaulieu '09
John and Stacy Benjamin P'09
Matt Bennett
Alice Bolstridge
Kristofer Bouchard '98
Sarah Bronson and Galen LasGassey II P'09
Rachael Brown and Jerry White P'21
Jessica Browne '02
Denisa Brozman P'21
Barrie Brusila and Mitch Kihn P'16,'18
Leslie Burnette P'23
Cascon Inc.
Christina and Flint Christie
Carole Cifrino P'13
Charles Comstock '01
Rita Cooper '06
Melissa Curtis '99
Maynard and Sandra Curtis P'09
Sandra Curtis P'09
Jennifer Damon '98
Margaret and John Demer
Alex Dismore '04
Daniel and Sandra Dolan P'09
Charlene P. Donahue P'05
Allison Dupont '08
Judith East P'16
Reginald and Brent Edgecomb
Debbie Eustis-Grandy
Janice and Willy Faessler P'12
Anthony and Carolyn Filauro P'98,'00
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Benjamin Freedman '05
Daniel Freedman '08
Robert and Marsha Graham
Lynne and Riley Greenwood P'00
James Havu '09
Samantha Hawkins '99
Coyle and Joanne Huntress
Elizabeth Johnson P'19
Katahdin Trust Company

Cynthia Keating P'09
 Tom Leahey '97
 Barbara Leighton
 Jeffrey and Marilee Lovit P'02
 Beth Maloney P'05,'09,'12
 Garrett and Jacqueline Martin
 Emily Martis '00
 Douglas McCadden '09
 Gordon McCulloh '16
 Deb and Mike McGann P'03
 Members of Maine Preceptor Tau
 Heather Merriman '98 and Adrian Smith
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 PNM Construction, Inc.
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 Carroll Thompson
 Daniel Tyler '07
 Peter and Kathryn Wagner P'08
 Paul Wainman P'18,'25
 Mary Webster
 Hannah Wilbur '00

Newton's Apples- \$50—\$99

Shawn Albert P'20
 Henrietta Beaufait
 Erica Bickford '02
 Amy Bigelow '01
 Anne Carter P'15
 Brenton Chamberland '97
 Jeremy Chapman '05
 Valerie and Craig Comstock P'01
 Edward and Margaret Copelin P'98
 Jennifer Crittenden '99
 Lynn and Richard Dempsey P'07
 Jennifer Gardner Dresser '99
 Scott Dugas '04
 Richard Dupont P'08
 Patrick Ferland '97
 Gregory and Nancy Frizzle P'21
 Bethany '97 and Vincent '97 Gallagher
 Mary Hart P'14
 Gabe Hrynick '06
 Richard and Mary Jane Jarrett P'08
 Joshua Jelin '05
 Jepson Financial Advisors, P.A.
 Noah and Wendy Keith-Hardy P'15,'17
 Captains Douglas and Linda Lee P'01
 Sean Lynch '09
 David and Gail McCarthy P'98
 Brittany Meservey '07
 Mark Mettler

James W. Nichols P'99
 Selma Page
 Isaacson Lumber Company
 Stephen Paragamian
 Paul Rawson and Sara Lindsay P'18
 Salesforce.com, Inc
 Joseph Sites P'18
 Nora Sosnoff P'11
 Wayne and Mona St. Peter P'21
 Barbara Taylor P'01
 Richard and Nola Urban P'06
 Christine Voyer '98
 Sarah Bean White '98
 Anne and John White P'04

Penguin Brigade - \$1—\$49

Shannon Bussone Cotton '02
 James Bartlett '10
 Peter and Gerri Bridgman P'04
 David and Melissa Chappell P'08
 Thomas Chartrand '05
 Frank Chin P'99
 Sarah Clark '98
 Clynk
 Nicholas Colella '05
 Lewis and Mariella Curtis P'01
 Seth Dresser '97
 Donna Dubay
 Nathaniel Godin '98
 Sharon Hallett
 Michaela Harrow-Mortelliti '13
 Russell Johnson '03
 Ryan Keating '09
 Ryan McDonald
 Deborah McGann
 Wendy and John Mitchell P'00
 Ian Olsen '07
 Paypal Giving Fund
 Gretchen Perry Pineo '97
 Playable Worlds, Inc
 Sophia Smith '18
 Earl and Mary Sorensen P'03
 Jeffery Spencer, Jr. '97
 Matthew Stover '99
 Kristina Swensen P'15
 Erin Watson '07
 Bernard and Jody Welch P'12
 Kristina Yurko '08

Congratulations to the Class of 2021!

For their matriculation to the following colleges and universities

Brandeis University
Creighton University
Dartmouth College
Georgia Institute of Technology
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Northeastern University
Rochester Institute of Technology

University of Georgia
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Maine (5)
University of Pennsylvania
University of Washington-Seattle
Wellesley College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (2)



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Douglas Baston

David Haines
Elizabeth Havu
Heather Merriman '98
Jeremy Shute '98
Art Thompson
Mary Thron

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