

ANNUAL SUMMARY 2021



FROM OUR PRESIDENT



I am proud to share the Education Foundation's annual summary with you and all that we have accomplished together in 2021. As our foundation grows, the Board of Directors continues to reflect on our role as an advocate for our school community.

Each year we review our organization's mission, vision, and values through strategic planning. While growth is a key factor in the sustainability of future programs, we are committed to investing in our students today. In this report you will find the impact of our programs and how our growth efforts continue to have a profound impact on students at Carrollton City Schools.

On behalf of the staff and Board of Directors, thank you for being a part of this community. We look forward to continuing this work together in order to foster a legacy for our school community that produces students who will change the world.

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OUR MISSION

The Carrollton City Schools Education Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to provide financial resources to support programs that directly impact teaching and learning at Carrollton City Schools. Since 1993, the Foundation has disbursed more than \$800,000 in scholarships and grants through its three program areas: student scholarships, instructional grants, and enrichment experiences for students.

GRANTS

Teachers receive almost \$20,000 in classroom grants.

This year, the foundation awarded grants totaling close to \$20,000 to 49 teacher recipients. Grants were awarded to eleven teachers at Carrollton High School, eight at Carrollton Junior High, nine at Carrollton Upper Elementary, eighteen at Carrollton Elementary, and three to district support teachers. Some of the more unique projects funded this year include a flying club at CHS, porch pop ups for Spanish speaking families in the district, loom weaving lesson materials at CES, and an introduction to architecture program for STEM at CJHS.

EXPERIENCES

Foundation continues mission to provide field trip experiences for students.

The foundation awarded six field trip opportunities to schools within the district. This year's funding will provide scholarships for students to attend the sixth grade Washington, DC trip, assist with the CHS Performing Arts immersion trip to New York City, and partner with the Carrollton Center for the Arts to bring the Calpulli Mexican Dance Company to campus for all CJHS students to attend a performance which celebrates the rich diversity of Mexican and Mexican-American cultural heritage through dance-based programming including live music.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Foundation adds six academic scholarship awards.

Graduates of the Class of 2021 earned \$23 million in scholarship offers from colleges and universities, setting a new record. Of this amount, close to \$30,000 was given by the CCS Education Foundation to twenty-eight students through scholarship awards. Student applications and essays are reviewed by a committee of foundation board and community members and then selected based on criteria established by scholarship fund representatives. In addition, the foundation added six new academic scholarship opportunities for students starting with the 2022 award year.

FUNDING

Foundation surpasses \$1M in assets.

The Carrollton City Schools Education Foundation reached a new record surpassing \$1 million in net assets in the first quarter of 2021. What began from humble beginnings with a \$20,000 donation in 1993 has now grown into a robust non-profit awarding close to \$1 million in scholarships and grants to support students and teachers at Carrollton City Schools since inception. The foundation has more than doubled since 2017 when the Board of Directors implemented a 10 year strategic plan for growth and sustainability.