

Stepping Up:

The Nation's Top K-12 Education Foundations



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while recognizing those that do it best*

NATIONAL STUDY & RANKINGS : 2017

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Notes from the Study Author

Simply put, we have a lot of data on K-12 education foundations, mostly on the nation's top 50 performers -- which we will begin calling the 'Industry's Top-50' as we continue to release our ongoing research.

I want to thank the nation's top K-12 foundation executives for completing surveys and phone interviews with me over the past four years. The surveys often take 20-30 minutes to complete; and the phone interviews rarely stop at 60 minutes. We really like data on K-12 education foundations and we are sorta nerds about it.

I hope local education foundations are able to use this study and data to make the case to grow their efforts that often add so much to the public education experience.



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president + ceo
of caruthers institute*



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Next year will be the fifth consecutive year of Stepping Up's annual study of K-12 education foundations. An extended version of the study will include what we have learned in these five years.

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Introduction

Stepping Up is the nation’s only annual study and ranking of K-12 education foundations. The study ranks the top 50 education foundations in the nation, and the top 10 in each of four divisions that allow for foundation comparisons of similar size.

This year’s study includes 191 K-12 education foundations from 219 school districts, which represent the education foundations in the top 200 largest school districts (by student population), as well as top-performing foundations in smaller school districts.

“Our goal is to provide a non-biased national study of all top foundations regardless of the size of the district they support,” said Dewey Caruthers, author of the study and president + ceo of caruthers institute, which conducts ongoing research of K-12 education foundations.

Stepping Up is the nation’s only annual study that ranks K-12 education foundations.

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*Study mission:
Advocating for the importance of K-12
education foundations while recognizing
those that do it best.*

Top 25 Education Foundations

1. Pinellas Education Foundation (FL)
2. Alliance for Education (WA)
3. Irvine Public Schools Foundation (CA)
4. Achieve Minneapolis (MN)
5. Chattanooga Hamilton County Public Education Fund (TN)
6. Boise Public Schools Foundation (ID)
7. Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools (NE)
8. Omaha Schools Foundation (NE)
9. DC Public Education Fund (DC)
10. Denver Public Schools Foundation (CO)
10. Barbers Hill Education Foundation (TX)
12. Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools (FL)
13. Clark County Public Education Foundation (NV)
14. Hillsborough Education Foundation (FL)
15. Granite Education Foundation (UT)
16. Oakland Public Education Fund (CA)
17. Silicon Valley Education Foundation (CA)
18. Albuquerque Public Schools Foundation (NM)
18. Foundation for Springfield Public Schools (MO)
20. Brevard Schools Foundation (FL)
21. Polk Education Foundation and Business Partnership (FL)
22. Public Education Foundation of Marion County (FL)
23. Frisco Education Foundation (TX)
24. The Fund for Public Schools (NY)
25. The Boston Educational Development Foundation (MA)



Remaining Top 50 Education Foundations

26. St. Louis Public Schools Foundation (MO)
27. The Foundation for Tulsa Schools (OK)
28. Davis Education Foundation (UT)
29. Education Foundation of Collier County (FL)
30. Irving Schools Foundation (TX)
31. Foundation for Newark's Future (NJ)
32. New Visions for Public Schools (NY)
33. All Hands Raised (OR)
34. San Francisco Education Fund (CA)
35. The Great Schools Partnership Charitable Trust (TN)
36. Children First Fund: The Chicago Public Schools Foundation (IL)
36. Morris Educational Foundation (NJ)
38. San Antonio Education Partnership (TX)
39. Fund for Educational Excellence (MD)
39. Ogden School Foundation (UT)
41. Cy-Fair Educational Foundation (TX)
42. Philadelphia Education Fund (PA)
43. Northside Education Foundation (TX)
44. Lawrence Township School Foundation (IN)
45. Education Foundation of Sarasota County (FL)
46. Alpine School District Foundation (UT)
47. Humble ISD Education Foundation (TX)
48. Weber School District Foundation (UT)
49. Spring Branch Education Foundation (TX)
50. Educational Foundation of Lake County (FL)
50. West Contra Costa Public Education Fund (CA)



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Achieve Minneapolis and Chattanooga Hamilton County Public Education Fund have both ranked in the top five three years in a row.



\$539 million

Amount held in assets by K-12 education foundations in this study in 2015 (most recent data available)

Top 5 Analysis

Dominating the top five for four consecutive years, Pinellas Education Foundation (Florida) has ranked first every year since the inception of this study.

Two foundations rank in the top five three years in a row. Achieve Minneapolis (Minnesota) has ranked in the top five three years in a row and is fourth this year (third and fifth in 2016 and 2015). Chattanooga Hamilton County Public Education Fund (Tennessee) ranked fifth this year and has ranked fifth and second in 2016 and 2015.

New to the study this year, Irvine Public Schools Foundation (California) ranks third.

Alliance for Education (Seattle, Washington) who made their first appearance in 2016's study has ranked second this year and fourth in 2016.

*Pinellas Education Foundation
Ranks first four years in a row.*

Top 10 Analysis

Omaha Schools Foundation (Nebraska) ranks in the top ten four years in a row, ranking eighth this year.

Ranking in the top ten three years in a row, Denver Public Schools Foundations (Colorado) places 10th in 2017 and ninth and 10th in 2016 and 2015.

Boise Public Schools Foundation (Idaho) again ranks sixth for both 2017 and 2016.

Two foundations move into the top ten in 2017. Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools (Nebraska) ranks seventh, up from 13th in 2016. DC Public Education Fund (DC) moved up two spots to ninth.

Barbers Hill Education Foundation (Texas) jumped into the top ten this year. They previously ranked in Division 3 and 26th nationally. This year they rank 10th and are in Division 1. One reason for this, Barbers Hill increased their revenue from \$996,000 to \$7 million.

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\$392 million

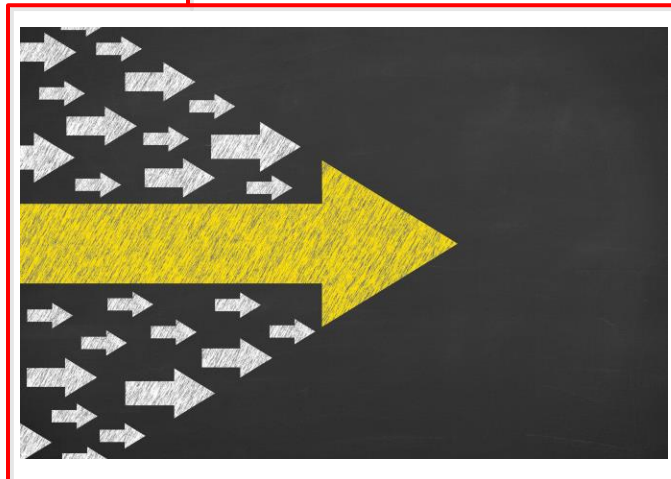
*Revenue raised by K-12 education
foundations in this year's study in
2015 (most recent data available)*

Top 25 Analysis

Five education foundations rank in the top 25 four years in a row.

- Hillsborough Education Foundation (Florida) 14th, 21st, 6th, 6th
- Clark Co. Public Education Foundation (Nevada) 13th, 17th, 14th, 2nd
- Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools (Florida) 12th, 14th, 16th, 10th
- The Fund for Public Schools (New York City) 24th, 16th, 10th, 7th
- The Boston Educational Development Foundation (Massachusetts) 25th, 18th, 23rd, 11th

New to the top 25, Polk Education Foundation (Florida) jumps from the top 50 to the top 25 ranking 21st.



*In the nation's top 25, only 4
foundations serve school
districts with more than 100,000
students.*

Two foundations have ranked in the top 25 for three consecutive years: (2017, 2016, 2015 respectively)

- Albuquerque Public Schools Foundation (New Mexico) ranked 18th, 15th, 7th
- DC Public Education Fund (DC) ranked 9th, 11th, 9th

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10 foundations ranked in the top 50 for 4 years in a row.

Top 50 Analysis

This year's top 50 includes something new: a foundation from Division 4 (\$500,000 or less). Morris Educational Foundation (New Jersey) ranks 36th up from 51st last year. What Morris appears to lack in revenues, they make up for it in per student funds.

There are 10 foundations that ranked in the top 50 for four consecutive years (2017, 2016, 2015, 2014):

- Alpine School District Foundation (Utah) 46th, 23rd, 34th, 18th
- Great Schools Partnership Charitable Trust (Tennessee) 35th, 27th, 24th, 13th
- San Francisco Education Fund (California) ranked 34th, 28th, 26th, 9th
- Cy-Fair Education Foundation (Texas) ranked 41st, 29th, 31st, 23rd
- San Antonio Education Partnership (Texas) ranked 38th, 30th, 30th, 21st



- Philadelphia Education Fund (Pennsylvania) ranked 42nd, 31st, 29th, 5th
- Northside Education Foundation (Texas) 43rd, 33rd, 33rd, 24th
- Fund for Educational Excellence (Maryland) 39th, 38th, 27th, 35th
- Polk Education Foundation and Business Partnership (Florida) 21st, 41st, 38th, 17th
- New Visions for Public Schools (New York) 32nd, 25th, 22nd, 19th

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Six foundations ranked in the top 50 for three years in a row.

Top 50 Analysis (cont.)

There are six foundations that have ranked in the top 50 for three consecutive years (2017, 2016, 2015):

- Frisco Education Foundation (Texas) 23rd, 24th, 39th
- Spring Branch Education Foundation (Texas) 49th, 42nd, 17th
- Ogden School Foundation (Utah) 39th, 33rd, 28th
- Public Education Foundation of Marion County (Florida) 22nd, 43rd, 37th
- Humble ISD Education Foundation (Texas) ranked 47th, 45th, 34th
- The Foundation for Tulsa Schools (Oklahoma) ranked 27th, 36th, 15th



In its first year of being included in Stepping Up, Barbers Hill Education Foundation (serving a school district of 4,000 students) ranked 26th. This year Barbers Hill not only increased their revenues enough to make a leap from Division 3 to Division 1, but they also made a leap in the rankings, up to 10th.

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Division 1: Top 10 National Ranking

(Division 1 is foundations with \$2 million or more in revenues)

1. Pinellas Education Foundation (FL)
2. Alliance for Education (WA)
3. Irvine Public Schools Foundation (CA)
4. Achieve Minneapolis (MN)
5. Chattanooga Hamilton County Public Education Fund (TN)
6. Boise Public Schools Foundation (ID)
7. Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools (NE)
8. Omaha Schools Foundation (NE)
9. DC Public Education Fund (DC)
10. Denver Public Schools Foundation (CO)
10. Barbers Hill Education Foundation (TX)

Division 2: Top 10 National Ranking

(Division 2 is foundations with \$1 million to \$1,999,999 in revenues)

1. Foundation for Springfield Public Schools (MO)
2. Public Education Foundation of Marion County (FL)
3. San Francisco Education Fund (CA)
4. Ogden School Foundation (UT)
5. Northside Education Foundation (TX)
6. Education Foundation of Sarasota County (FL)
7. Alpine School District Foundation (UT)
8. Humble ISD Education Foundation (TX)
9. Weber School District Foundation (UT)
10. Spring Branch Education Foundation (TX)



Division 3: Top 10 National Ranking

(Division 3 is foundations with \$500,000 - \$999,999 in revenues)

1. Frisco Education Foundation (TX)
2. Irving Schools Foundation (TX)
3. Cy-Fair Educational Foundation (TX)
4. Lawrence Township School Foundation (IN)
5. Shawnee Mission Education Foundation (KS)
6. The Advancement Center for Washington Township Schools (IN)
7. Fort Bend ISD Education Foundation (TX)
8. Indianapolis Public Schools Education Foundation (IN)
9. Lewisville Education Foundation (TX)
10. Futures Foundation for Volusia County Schools (FL)

Division 4: Top 10 National Ranking

(Division 4 is foundations with less than \$500,000 in revenues)

1. Morris Educational Foundation (NJ)
2. Dare Education Foundation (NC)
3. Lafayette Education Foundation (LA)
4. Hamilton Southeastern Schools Foundation (IN)
5. Garland ISD Education Foundation (TX)
6. South Bend Education Foundation (IN)
7. Springfield Education Foundation (OR)
8. Foundation of Monroe County Community Schools (IN)
9. Mesquite ISD Education Foundation (TX)
10. Clear Creek Education Foundation (TX)



Division Analysis

Texas has the most top 10 Division appearances with 12 foundations in three divisions, although the state had only one in Division 1 – Barbers Hill Education Foundation.

Indiana has 6 foundations in Divisions 3 and 4 for the second year in a row.

Florida has 4 foundations in Divisions 1, 2, and 3 but none in Division 4.

Utah has 3 foundations in Division 2.

States with two foundations ranking in any Division top 10: California and Nebraska.

States with one foundation ranking in the top 10 in any of the four divisions: Minnesota, Washington, Tennessee, Idaho, Missouri, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Oregon, New Jersey, North Carolina.



Northside Education Foundation (Texas) has ranked in the top 10 in Division 2 for four consecutive years (2017, 2016, 2015, 2014); and Spring Branch Education Foundation (Texas) for three years (2017, 2016, 2015).

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Texas had more foundations ranked in divisions than Indiana: 12 and 6 respectively.

\$165 million

Amount spent on grants and programs (less salaries) by K-12 education foundations in this study in 2015 (most recent data available)

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The Dashboard was developed through interviews with 18 executive directors and presidents at foundations ranking in the top 50.

National Performance Dashboard Customized for Your K-12 Education Foundation

Stepping Up has developed a National Performance Dashboard, which is an extension of the study. The Dashboard is custom-made for your education foundation, and provides additional data and analysis beyond the study to help with the following:

1. **ENHANCE FOUNDATION MARKETING:** Foundations executives can use the Dashboard to better promote their national and division rankings in their communities.
2. **INCREASE FUNDRAISING:** The Dashboard has data beyond the study that can strengthen foundation proposals and grant applications.
3. **ADD DATA-DRIVEN DECISION-MAKING:** Boards will have Stepping Up national data, specific to their foundations, to inform key decisions.
4. **GET RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GROWTH:** The Dashboard includes analysis and recommendations to help foundations grow and improve.

National Performance Dashboard For K-12 Education Foundations

The Dashboard includes a custom PowerPoint presentation that compares your K-12 education foundation to national benchmarks – both to the nation's top-performers and to those foundations of similar size.

The Dashboard also includes supporting quotes from your foundation's key stakeholders like school superintendents, school board members, elected officials and others who can share the value the foundation brings to the school district and the community.

To learn more, contact Stepping Up study author Dewey Caruthers at Dewey@caruthers.institute / phone 813-294-5612.

Study Methodology

Stepping Up uses eight performance categories to rank the foundations nationally and in each division. The eight performance categories address four of the most important issues to K-12 foundations:

- Resources to enhance public education (annual revenues, revenues per student)
- Long-term financial sustainability (total assets, assets per student, investment income)
- Resources invested into programs (total grants, programs and similar amounts paid and per student – both less salaries and benefits)
- Human capital (volunteers)

Per student calculations are added to better reveal the impact a foundation is having based on the number of students in the district. “Some foundations raise large amounts of money but when compared to the number of students in their districts it becomes clear the impact on most students is minimal,” Caruthers said.

The rankings are the collective score of all eight performance categories. The foundations that appear in the most categories were ranked highest, emphasizing the importance of being well-rounded.

Data for the Stepping Up study is from the foundations 990, which is a financial report non-profits use annually to report to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. The 2017 Stepping Up study uses the most recent 990 data available for all foundations included in this study, which is from 2015.

In addition to the national rankings, there are four revenue-based divisions, followed by a number of foundations in each division this year:

- Division 1: \$2 million or more (44 foundations)
- Division 2: \$1 million to \$1,999,999 (27 foundations)
- Division 3: \$500,000 to \$999,999 (31 foundations)
- Division 4: Less than \$500,000 (89 foundations)

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Performance Categories:

1. Total Revenues
2. Revenues per Student
3. Total Assets
4. Assets per Student
5. Grant and Program Expenses
6. Grant and Program Expenses per Student
7. Investment Income
8. Volunteers

This year's study uses data from foundations 990s from 2015, the most recent data available.

58,00

Number of volunteers utilized by K-12 education foundations in this study in 2015 (most recent data available)

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About author Dewey Caruthers

Dewey Caruthers is a national thought-leader on three issues:

- + K-12 education foundations
- + Arrests for common youth misbehavior
- + Child obesity

His work on the three issues has been funded by national, state and local foundations; children's hospitals and hospital foundations; state and local government agencies; and private-sector companies. Additionally, his program models have been evaluated by major universities and independent evaluators.

He regularly contributes op-eds and participates in news conferences, as well as being sought as an expert to speak at national and state conferences on his areas of expertise.



Dewey leads ongoing research of K-12 education foundations, which he believes have unrealized potential to provide solutions for public education that are far greater than recognized.

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Dewey's cell phone: 813-294-5612



200 Largest School Districts by Student Population (using 2015 990s)

<http://proximityone.com/sd151enrl.htm>

Rank by size	School District	Students	Education Foundation
1	New York City Department Of Ed. NY	1,059,478	The Fund for Public Schools
1	New York City Department of Ed. NY	1,059,478	New Visions for Public Schools
2	Los Angeles Unified School District CA	677,646	Los Angeles County Education Foundation
2	Los Angeles Unified School District CA	677,646	Los Angeles Fund for Public Education
3	Chicago Public School District 299 IL	357,518	Children First Fund
4	Dade County School District FL	351,850	The Education Fund
5	Clark County School District NV	340,665	Clark County Public Education Foundation
6	Broward County School District FL	264,439	Broward Education Foundation
7	Houston ISD TX	227,452	Houston ISD Foundation
8	Hillsborough County School District FL	204,656	Hillsborough Education Foundation
9	Orange County School District FL	188,348	Foundation for Orange County Public Schools
10	Dallas ISD TX	180,951	Dallas Education Foundation
11	Philadelphia City School District PA	180,643	Philadelphia Education Fund
12	Palm Beach County School District FL	177,647	Education Foundation of Palm Beach County
13	Fairfax County Public Schools VA	177,341	Foundation for Fairfax County Public Schools
14	Hawaii Department of Education HI	169,935	Public Schools of Hawaii Foundation
15	Wake County Schools NC	168,262	Wake Education Partnership
16	Gwinnett County School District GA	165,905	Gwinnett County Public Schools Foundation Fund
17	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools NC	161,626	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Public Schools Foundation
18	Montgomery County Public Schools MD	147,631	MCPS Educational Foundation
19	Shelby County School District TN	140,221	Shelby County Schools Education Foundation
20	San Diego City Unified School District CA	125,311	San Diego Education Fund
21	Duval County School District FL	124,140	Jacksonville Public Education Fund
22	Prince George's County Public Schools MD	124,041	Excellence In Ed. Foundation for PGCPs INC
23	Detroit City School District MI	115,163	The Detroit Public Schools Foundation
24	Cobb County School District GA	110,388	Cobb County Public School Ed. Foundation
25	Northside ISD TX	109,598	Northside Education Foundation
26	Cypress-Fairbanks ISD TX	107,394	Cy-Fair Educational Foundation
27	Albuquerque Public Schools NM	103,625	Albuquerque Public Schools Foundation
28	Baltimore County Public Schools MD	102,548	Ed. Fnd. of Baltimore County Public Schools
29	Fulton County School District GA	101,670	Fulton Education Foundation
30	DeKalb County School District GA	100,405	(NO FOUNDATION)
31	Polk County School District FL	99,656	Polk Ed. Foundation and Business Partnership
32	Jefferson County School District KY	98,792	Jefferson County Public Education Foundation
33	Pinellas County School District FL	97,265	Pinellas Education Foundation
34	Milwaukee School District WI	96,983	Milwaukee Public Schools Foundation

219 school districts included in study

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35	Lee County School District FL	93,505	Foundation for Lee County Public Schools
36	Fort Worth ISD TX	90,788	Fort Worth ISD Education Foundation
37	Austin ISD TX	88,435	Austin Partners in Education
38	Alpine School District UT	84,691	Alpine School District Foundation
39	Denver County School District 1 CO	83,093	Denver Public Schools Foundation
40	Nashville-Davidson School District TN	82,872	Nashville Public Education Foundation
40	Nashville-Davidson School District TN	82,872	PENCIL Foundation
41	Prince William County Public Schools VA	82,693	Education Foundation for Prince William County
42	Long Beach Unified School District CA	81,417	Long Beach Education Foundation
43	Davis School District UT	79,629	Davis Education Foundation
44	Guilford County Schools NC	79,189	The Enrichment Fund for Guilford County Schools
45	Jefferson County School District R-1 CO	78,493	The Jefferson Foundation
46	Anne Arundel County Public Schools MD	77,524	21st Century Education Foundation
47	Mesa Unified District AZ	77,306	Mesa Foundation for Educational Excellence
48	Fresno Unified School District CA	77,053	(NO FOUNDATION)
49	Baltimore City Public Schools MD	76,938	Fund for Educational Excellence
50	Greenville County School District SC	76,934	Greenville County Schools Foundation
51	Fort Bend ISD TX	76,395	Fort Bend ISD Education Foundation
52	Granite School District UT	75,235	Granite Education Foundation
53	Katy ISD TX	74,384	Katy ISD Education Foundation
54	Loudoun County Public Schools VA	73,251	Loudoun Education Foundation
55	Brevard County School District FL	72,434	Brevard Schools Foundation
56	North East ISD TX	71,430	North East Educational Foundation
57	Pasco County School District FL	69,919	Pasco Education Foundation
58	Washoe County School District NV	68,760	Washoe K-12 Education Foundation
59	Boston School District MA	68,489	The Boston Educational Development Foundation
60	Seminole County School District FL	66,860	Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools
61	Aldine ISD TX	66,530	Aldine Education Foundation
62	Tucson Unified District AZ	66,028	Educational Enrichment Foundation
63	Arlington ISD TX	65,403	Arlington ISD Education Foundation
64	Virginia Beach City Public Schools VA	64,571	Virginia Beach Public Schools Ed. Foundation
65	Douglas County School District RE-1 CO	64,068	Douglas County Educational Foundation
66	Elk Grove Unified School District CA	63,636	Vision 2000 Educational Foundation
67	District of Columbia Public Schools DC	63,463	DC Public Education Fund
68	Volusia County School District FL	62,720	Futures Foundation for Volusia County Schools
69	Jordan School District UT	62,178	Jordan Education Foundation
70	Columbus City School District OH	59,707	(NO FOUNDATION)
71	Forsyth County Schools NC	59,169	Forsyth Education Partnership
72	Knox County School District TN	58,793	The Great Schools Partnership Charitable Trust
73	San Francisco Unified School District CA	58,780	San Francisco Education Fund
74	Conroe ISD TX	58,502	Conroe ISD Education Foundation
75	Santa Ana Unified School District CA	57,248	Santa Ana Public Schools Foundation

191 K-12
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76	San Bernardino City Unified School District CA	57,139	BLU Education Foundation
77	Chesterfield County Public Schools VA	55,395	Chesterfield Public Education Foundation
78	San Antonio ISD TX	55,251	San Antonio Education Partnership
78	San Antonio ISD TX	55,251	SAISD Foundation
79	Mobile County School District AL	55,110	Mobile Area Education Foundation
80	Oakland Unified School District CA	54,895	Oakland Public Education Fund
81	Pasadena ISD TX	54,786	Pasadena ISD Education Foundation
82	Plano ISD TX	54,714	Plano ISD Education Foundation
83	Osceola County School District FL	54,453	The Foundation for Osceola Education
84	Omaha Public Schools NE	54,266	Omaha Schools Foundation
85	Cherry Creek School District 5 CO	54,092	Cherry Creek Schools Foundation
86	Garland ISD TX	53,208	Garland ISD Education Foundation
87	Lewisville ISD TX	52,998	Lewisville Education Foundation
88	Clayton County School District GA	52,973	Clayton County Public Schools Foundation
89	Wichita Unified School District 259 KS	52,915	Wichita Educational Foundation
90	Frisco ISD TX	52,384	Frisco Education Foundation
91	Capistrano Unified School District CA	52,365	Capistrano Unified School District Foundation
92	Howard County Public Schools MD	52,313	Bright Minds Foundation
93	Cleveland Municipal School District OH	51,979	(NO FOUNDATION)
94	Socorro ISD TX	51,808	SISD Foundation
95	El Paso ISD TX	51,644	El Paso ISD Education Foundation
96	Seattle School District WA	51,573	Alliance for Education
97	Round Rock ISD TX	51,435	Round Rock ISD Education Foundation
98	Minneapolis Public School District MN	49,997	Achieve Minneapolis
99	Alief ISD TX	49,593	Alief Education Foundation
100	Charleston County School District SC	49,253	Charleston Metro Ed. Fnd.
101	Oklahoma City Public Schools OK	48,819	The Fnd. for Oklahoma City Public Schools
102	Cumberland County Schools NC	48,704	Cumberland County Education Foundation
103	Jefferson Parish School District LA	48,517	Jefferson Parish Public Education Foundation
104	Henrico County Public Schools VA	48,163	Henrico Education Foundation
105	Brownsville ISD TX	47,592	(NO FOUNDATION)
106	Corona-Norco Unified School District CA	47,484	Corona-Norco Schools Educational Foundation
107	Sacramento City Unified School District CA	46,970	Sacramento Unified Education Foundation
108	Atlanta City School District GA	46,695	Atlanta Partnership of Business and Education
109	Manatee County School District FL	46,639	Manatee Education Foundation
110	Portland School District 1J OR	45,464	All Hands Raised
111	Cherokee County School District GA	45,245	Cherokee County Educational Foundation
112	Forsyth County School District GA	45,141	Forsyth County Education Foundation
113	East Baton Rouge Parish School District LA	44,993	Fnd. for East Baton Rouge School System
114	Collier County School District FL	44,952	Education Foundation of Collier County
115	Indianapolis Public Schools IN	44,783	Indianapolis Public Schools Ed. Foundation

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categories

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116	Chandler Unified District AZ	44,729	Chandler Education Foundation
117	Newark City School District NJ	44,548	Foundation for Newark's Future
117	Newark City School District NJ	44,548	Newark Trust for Education
118	St. Paul Public School District MN	44,021	Saint Paul Public Schools Foundation
119	Northglenn-Thornton School District 12 CO	43,829	Five Star Education Foundation
120	Corpus Christi ISD TX	43,517	Corpus Christi Education Foundation
121	Anchorage School District AK	43,254	Anchorage School Business Partnership
122	Klein ISD TX	43,091	Klein Education Foundation
123	St. Lucie County School District FL	43,064	St. Lucie County Education Foundation
124	Adams-Arapahoe School District 28J CO	43,042	Aurora Public Schools Foundation
125	Hamilton County School District TN	43,011	Chattanooga Hamilton County Public Education Fund
126	Tulsa Public Schools OK	42,973	The Foundation for Tulsa Schools
127	Lake County School District FL	42,969	Educational Foundation of Lake County
128	Orleans Parish School District LA	42,812	(NO FOUNDATION)
129	San Juan Unified School District CA	42,806	San Juan Education Foundation
130	Garden Grove Unified School District CA	42,702	(NO FOUNDATION)
131	Stockton Unified School District CA	42,471	Stockton Public Schools Foundation
132	Beaverton School District 48J OR	42,404	Beaverton Education Foundation
133	Anoka-Hennepin Public School District MN	42,319	Anoka-Hennepin Educational Foundation
134	Marion County School District FL	42,295	Public Education Foundation of Marion County
135	Canyons School District UT	42,272	Canyons School District Education Foundation
136	Fontana Unified School District CA	42,051	Fontana Public Schools Education Foundation
137	Gilbert Unified District AZ	41,794	Gilbert Education Foundation
138	Union County Public Schools NC	41,362	Union County Public Education Foundation
139	Paradise Valley Unified District AZ	41,325	The Foundation for Public Education
140	United ISD TX	41,252	(NO FOUNDATION)
141	Salem-Keizer School District 24J OR	41,221	Salem Schools Foundation
142	Sarasota County School District FL	40,554	Education Foundation of Sarasota County
143	Horry County School District SC	40,427	Horry County K-12 Foundation
144	Escambia County School District FL	39,911	Escambia County Public Schools Fnd. for Excellence
145	Fayette County School District KY	39,757	(NO FOUNDATION)
146	Riverside Unified School District CA	39,743	Riverside Educational Enrichment Foundation
147	Meridian Joint School District 2 ID	39,629	Education Foundation for Joint School District #2
148	Durham Public Schools NC	39,380	(NO FOUNDATION)
149	Henry County School District GA	39,134	(NO FOUNDATION)
150	Frederick County Public Schools MD	38,955	(NO FOUNDATION)
151	Caddo Parish School District LA	38,928	(NO FOUNDATION)
152	Humble ISD TX	38,795	Humble ISD Education Foundation
153	Killeen ISD TX	38,642	Killeen ISD Education Foundation
154	Buffalo City School District NY	38,183	Buffalo Public Schools Foundation
155	San Jose Unified School District CA	38,048	Silicon Valley Education Foundation
156	Mount Diablo Unified School District CA	38,013	(NO FOUNDATION)

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157	Clear Creek ISD TX	37,999	Clear Creek Education Foundation
158	Deer Valley Unified District AZ	37,771	Deer Valley Education Foundation
159	Cincinnati City School District OH	37,749	(NO FOUNDATION)
160	Dysart Unified District AZ	37,449	Dysart Education Foundation
161	Chesapeake City Public Schools VA	37,177	Chesapeake Public Schools Education Foundation
162	Lincoln Public Schools NE	37,129	Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools
163	Mesquite ISD TX	37,067	Mesquite ISD Education Foundation
164	Chatham County School District GA	37,010	Education for A.L.L. Foundation
165	Edinburg CISD TX	36,569	(NO FOUNDATION)
166	St. Tammany Parish School District LA	36,404	(NO FOUNDATION)
167	Richardson ISD TX	36,342	RISD Excellence in Education Foundation
168	Keller ISD TX	36,248	Keller ISD Education Foundation
169	Spring ISD TX	36,184	Spring ISD Education Foundation
170	Moreno Valley Unified School District CA	35,989	(NO FOUNDATION)
171	Leander ISD TX	35,909	Leander ISD Educational Excellence Foundation
172	Peoria Unified School District AZ	35,341	Peoria Education Foundation
173	Harford County Public Schools MD	35,315	Greater Excellence in Education Foundation
174	Poway Unified School District CA	35,271	Poway Unified School District Foundation
175	Jefferson County School District AL	35,220	Jefferson County Schools Public Education Foundation
176	Nebo School District UT	35,210	Nebo Education Foundation
177	Clovis Unified School District CA	34,646	Foundation for Clovis Schools
178	School District U-46 IL	34,613	U-46 Educational Foundation
179	Leon County School District FL	34,604	The Foundation for Leon County Schools
180	Colorado Springs School District 11 CO	34,489	The Foundation for School District 11
181	Clay County School District FL	34,381	Clay County Education Foundation
182	West Contra Costa Unified School District CA	34,349	West Contra Costa Public Education Fund
183	Williamson County School District TN	34,123	Williamson County Education Foundation
184	Weber School District UT	34,054	Weber School District Foundation
185	Spring Branch ISD TX	34,027	Spring Branch Education Foundation
186	St. Johns County School District FL	33,854	Investing in Kids (INK!)
187	Irving ISD TX	33,823	Irving Schools Foundation
188	Johnston County Schools NC	33,754	Johnston County Education Foundation
189	Fremont Unified School District CA	33,519	Fremont Education Foundation
190	Desert Sands Unified School District CA	33,461	Desert Sands Unified School District Ed. Foundation
191	St. Louis City School District MO	33,061	St. Louis Public Schools Foundation
192	Twin Rivers Unified School District CA	32,868	Project Dream
193	Fort Wayne Community Schools IN	32,700	(NO FOUNDATION)
194	Irvine Unified School District CA	32,163	Irvine Public Schools Foundation
196	Rutherford County School District TN	31,979	(NO FOUNDATION)
197	Rochester City School District NY	31,812	Rochester Education Foundation
198	Calcasieu Parish School District LA	31,773	(NO FOUNDATION)
199	Ector County ISD TX	31,764	Ector County ISD Education Foundation
200	Lubbock ISD TX	31,615	Lubbock ISD Foundation for Excellence

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Indian River County FL	15,901	Education Foundation of Indian River County
Martin County FL	20,316	Education Foundation of Martin County
Ogden School District UT	14,401	Ogden School Foundation
Morris School District NJ	5,123	Morris Educational Foundation
Springfield School District 19 OR	11,498	Springfield Education Foundation
Springfield R-XII School District MO	26,304	Foundation for Springfield Public Schools
Richmond City Public Schools VA	21,606	Richmond Public Schools Education Foundation
Boise City ISD 1 ID	24,654	Boise Public Schools Foundation
Washington Township Metropolitan School District IN	10,357	The Advancement Center for Washington Township Schools
Lawrence Township Metropolitan School District IN	15,304	Lawrence Township School Foundation
Hamilton Southeastern School District IN	21,960	Hamilton Southeastern Schools Foundation
Monroe County Community School Corporation IN	12,502	Foundation of Monroe County Community Schools
Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation IN	23,193	Public Education Foundation of Evansville
South Bend IN	22,419	South Bend Education Foundation
Shawnee Mission Public Schools KS	21,439	Shawnee Mission Education Foundation
Lafayette Parish LA	30,794	Lafayette Education Foundation
Barbers Hill ISD TX	4,220	Barbers Hill Education Foundation
Geneva Community Unit School District 304 IL	6,000	Geneva Academic Foundation
Dare County NC	5,417	Dare Education Foundation

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