



Academic Fund ANNUAL REPORT

2014-2015



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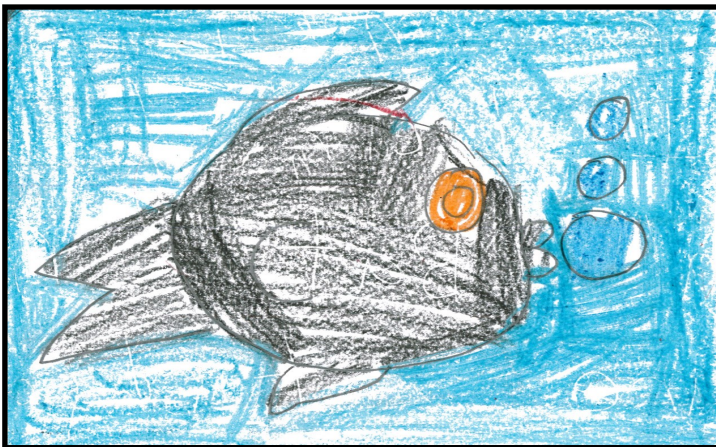
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<u>AMOUNT FUNDED</u>	<u>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BUILDING</u>	<u># OF STUDENTS</u>
\$515	Teams Engineering	WMHS	17
\$990	COSI on Wheels	Falls	520
\$539	Science Research Columbus Zoo	Hopewell	55
\$195	General Cadaver Program	WMHS	30
\$160	National Science League	WMMS	360
\$700	NFL Life Coach	WMHS	416
\$190.36	College Exposure Tour (Otterbein)	WMHS	30
\$2,876	Encore	WMMS	227
\$216	Increase Matthews/Stone Academy	Hopewell	35
\$145.50	College Career	WMMS	113
\$500	State Farm Field Trip	WMHS	60
\$500	Exploring History Through Science & Arts	WMHS	12
\$243	Zanesville Historical Tour	Falls	65
\$376.50	Dawes Science Days	Hopewell	40
\$500	FBLA State Competition	WMHS	37
\$518	Columbus Zoo	Falls	70
\$495	GOOD Program	WMMS	113
\$2,000	Beauty and the Beast (900 add'l public)	WMHS	100
\$1,362	Advance Placement Tests (143 exams)	WMHS	121
\$ \$13,021.36	TOTALS FOR 2014-2015		2,421



Dawes Science Days

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for our field trip. We had so much fun. I learned fish are tadpoles.

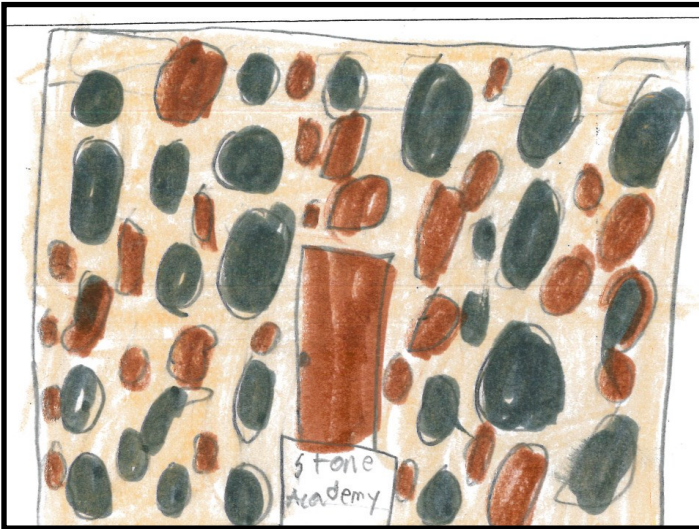
Your friend,

Trinity Short, Hopewell kindergartner

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Students Travel to Historical Area



Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for giving us the money to go to the Stone Academy, Dr. Increase Mathews House and the art museum. I liked all the places we went to. I liked the Stone Academy because it was really cool to learn about the 1913 flood. They even had a piece of the Y bridge from the flood.

I liked the well in the Stone Academy and I think it is really cool that it was part of the underground railroad.

Sincerely,

Brady Alloway, Falls Elementary third grader



Dear Academic Fund,

I would like to thank you for the money and letting us go on our field trip. When I saw the well it was very deep and dirty. I really liked the train that you could control.

At Dr. Increase Mathews House I really liked the bedrooms and all of the old things from back then. I saw different paintings and pottery. I really liked the horses and the ladies in dresses.

Sincerely,

Addy Durant, Falls Elementary third grader

Inspiring Speaker Leaves Lasting Impression

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you so much for funding the GOOD Program by Mr. Derry. I learned a lot from him. He inspired me with his stories to not give up, to try and when the going gets tough the tough choose to go on.

I remember the story about him winning the blind masters golf tournament. I thought that was amazing. So I want to thank you very much for paying for him to talk to us.

Sincerely, Owen Norman, WMMS sixth grader

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for funding the GOOD Program by Mr. Derry. He taught me something very important which was no matter how tough life is you go on and don't give up.

He told us that we have two choices in life and that is to either go on or get defeated.

Mr. Derry was very nice and I appreciate it.

Sincerely, Kenlie Dysart, WMMS sixth grader

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for funding the GOOD Program by Mr. Derry. I learned that when you fail you go on until you succeed.

It was fun seeing that he could do every thing we can do even if he's blind.

Sincerely, Emma Havas, WMMS sixth grader

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for funding the GOOD Program by Mr. Derry. I thought that it was a good experience for children our age, older and younger. It was fund to use a talking calculator because I go almost every answer right.

I think everybody should hear Mr. Derry's story. It was inspiring.

Sincerely, Kalynn Oliver, WMMS sixth grader

Elementary students visit Columbus Zoo, Putnam area



Dear Academic Fund,

Thank you for helping us go to the Columbus Zoo. I learned that a cheetah can run up to 60 miles per hour. I learned that a giraffe has 7 bones. I saw a cheetah and a tiger.

Your friend, Ella McDaniel

Hopewell Elementary first grader

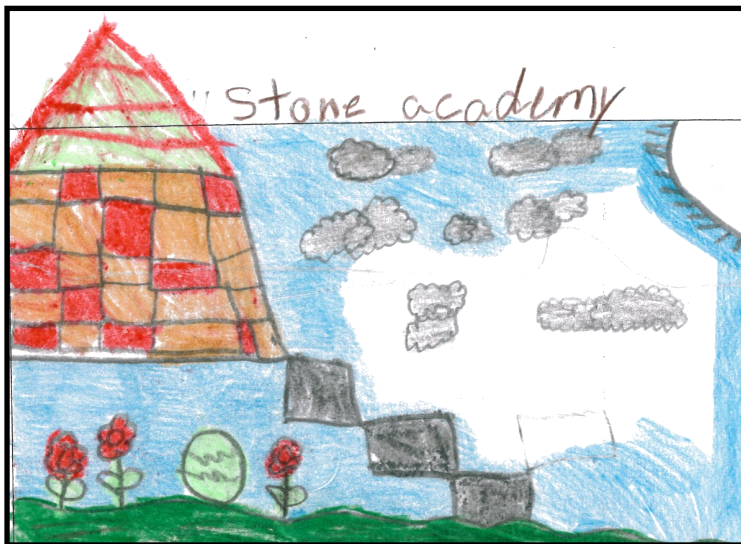


Dear Academic Fund,

Thank your for paying for the zoo trip. I had a great time. It was awesome because I saw gorillas. It was a nice trip.

Thank you, Nevaeh Boring

Falls Elementary first grader



Dear Academic Fund,

Thank your for funding our field trip. I liked it when I was able to see what old phones and sewing machines looked like. I liked how the old bikes, kid beds, dolls, adult beds and baby carriages looked like then.

I also saw Snoopy with flowers next to him and he was very dirty. I liked it when I saw a dark blue vase and the Spongebob picture I saw because that is one of my favorite paintings of all the paintings I saw.

Sincerely, Cherish Suttles

Falls Elementary third grader

Dear Academic Fund,

Thank your for funding our field trip to the historic Putnam area. It was a good time! I saw research of the flood. The flood pictures were really realistic.

Thank you for all your kindness. And I learned much of this history from you guys.

Sincerely, Elijah Lance

Falls Elementary third grader



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January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014

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Huntington National Bank	\$367,160.30
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LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Liabilities	-0-
Fund Balance	\$367,160.30

RECEIPTS

Contributions	\$ 15,323.76
Dividends/Interest	7,175.32
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 22,499.08

EXPENSES

Program Disbursements	\$ 13,233.34
Trustee Expenses	3,613.58
Annual Report Expenses (printing & postage)	2,045.95
Reporting Fee	\$ 300.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 19,192.87

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