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EDUCATION
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2023-2024 Annual Report

**2023-2024
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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Maize Education Foundation, we are pleased to present this annual report to the community for the 2023-24 fiscal year. For the past 20 years, MEF has been supporting, enhancing, and supplementing the programs, initiatives, and amazing work of the Maize School District. I have been honored to serve as president of the Maize Education Foundation this past year as we saw yet another amazing year of work through this organization. We welcomed a new director to the foundation and Emi hit the ground running this past Fall, leading the charge of one of the most successful years we have seen as a foundation. In addition, we celebrated our twenty-year anniversary as an organization with our inaugural gala in February. It truly was a great year.

This report highlights the work we were able to accomplish this past year. You will learn how we were able to partner with the district to inspire students to discover their potential through connecting, learning, and leading. We awarded grants, funded classroom projects, and celebrated teachers.

We are so fortunate to have the support of so many generous and engaged community members and organizations, helping our schools continue to offer the best education possible. We are proud of the many accomplishments of the foundation, and we know that our success is made possible by the generosity of our community. Thank you for helping us make this an incredible year!

Terry Johnson
President

2023-2024 IMPACT

MAIZE STUDENTS
7,500+

MAIZE STAFF
2,000+

TOTAL FUNDED
\$48,317

STUDENT ENRICHMENT GRANTS

The Maize Education Foundation provides opportunities for students to define their individual versions of success through Student Enrichment Grants. Students in grades 7-12 may apply for a grant of up to \$500 to help cover the costs associated with certain educational activities and experiences such as leadership seminars, educational camps, community service projects, and more.

One Student Enrichment Grant funded this year was an educational trip to Washington, D.C., for Maize Middle School student, Elle Atchison.

23-24 FUNDED

\$4,300



"I had a great time on my school Washington DC trip! A few of my favorite highlights were the wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Mount Vernon, and seeing the historic townhouses in Alexandria. I really enjoyed the trip because I have always loved learning about American history. I think that if you enjoy going to new places or learning about history, Washington DC is one of the best places to go. I had so much fun and tried so many new things. It was also a great experience getting to go with friends. Seeing all of the places that I have learned about in school was very exciting, and I learned so much. I'm very thankful for being able to win this grant because without it, I would not have been able to have this experience. Thank you so much!"

CHALLENGE GRANTS



23-24 FUNDED
\$38,168

The Maize Education Foundation is committed to providing supplemental funding for instructional projects and innovative programs that might not otherwise be funded by the district due to limited financial resources. These grants offer opportunities in and out of the classrooms for educators to give students a premier competitive education and encourage civic engagement and leadership. Challenge grants are available in four different categories: Project-Based Learning, Instructional, Social Emotional, and Professional Learning.

This year, the Maize Education Foundation funded 10 Challenge Grants in three of the categories, creating opportunities for students and educators at every grade level.

INSTRUCTIONAL

Computin' Numbers in
Mathematics

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL

Meaningful Jobs
We're Not So Different
Screen Sanity Workshop
Playground Storywalk

PROJECT-BASED

Igniting our Future Innovators
CULTIVATE Maize
Enhancing Agriculture Education
in Elementary Classrooms
Intermediate STEAM
Robotics Program
3D Printer Club



STAFF APPRECIATION

The Maize Education Foundation supports Maize USD 266 staff appreciation efforts by contributing prizes and donations to special events such as awards ceremonies, appreciation weeks, professional development days, and more.

With the help of our tremendous donors, we were able to provide over \$26,000 worth of support to Maize USD 266 staff this year. Anyone who would like to support our Staff Appreciation efforts should contact MEF Director, Emi Simmons at esimmons@usd266.com

23-24 ESTIMATED VALUE
\$26,025

2023-2024 DONOR HONOR ROLL

Maize USD 266 is made better through the invaluable support of our donors. Thank you to these businesses and organizations for believing in our students and educators and demonstrating support through financial and in-kind gifts.

PARTNER \$7,500 +

Credit Union of America Hutton

LEADER \$5,000 - \$7,499

Advanced Catastrophe Technologies BCS Dr. Andy & Becky Stephens Meritrust Credit Union

ADVOCATE \$2,500 - \$4,999

Atlas Electric
CM3
Hellas
Kruse Corporation
Legacy Bank
Mahaney Group
Mel Hambelton Ford
Prairie Hill Vineyard
Ryan Baty
Schaefer Architecture
Wilson Building Maintenance

SCHOLAR \$1,500 - \$2,499

American Underground
Ameritime
Basis Consulting Engineers
City of Maize
Chick-fil-a
Conrade Insurance Group
Dean E. Norris
Digital Office Systems
Foley Rental
Heartland Credit Union
Invenergy
KBS
Piper Sandler
Project Teacher
Wealth Alliance
Wichita State University
WSU Tech

STAR \$25 - \$1,499

ABC Liquor	Epoxy Coating Specialists	Kay Jewelers	Pizza Ranch	Tech Twins
American Digital Security	Exploration Place	Kevin Shields State Farm	Popcorner	Terracon
Alzavino Wine Tavern	Fidelity Bank	Lange Real Estate	Powell Jewelry	TransSystems
Average Jo's	Fit for a Kastle	Local Roasters	PrairieFire Coffee	Tropical Smoothie Cafe
Beautified	Fleeson Gooing Coulson & Kitch	Lucinda's	QuikTrip	Top Golf
Bennington State Bank	Four Star Lawn Care	Maize Recreation Commission	RCB Bank	Voegeli Construction
Beran Concrete	Get a Pic Photobooth	Martin Roofing	RISE General Contracting	Weber and Associates
Central Mechanical	Halstead Bank	Massage Envy	Scheels	Wichita BBQ Store
Christian Brothers Automotive	Hand and Stone	Moxi Junction	Scion Capital Partners	Wichita Brewing Company
Chuck and Don's Pet Supplies	Hexcode Marketing	NCRI	Scooters	Wichita Family Vision
City Print	Holmberg Wellness Group	Northridge Playcare and Boarding	Security 1st Title	Wichita Wind Surge
Cristy Kerbs ReeceNichols	HomeGrown	Northridge Veterinary Clinic	Sedgwick County Zoo	Wicked Stitch
Coffee Daze	Hopping Gnome Brewing Company	Norton's Brewing Company	SGH Redglaze	The Workroom
Costco	Intrust Bank	OrangeTheory Fitness	Shirts Plus	Wyldeewood Cellars
Debbie Holmes JP Weigand	Jacob Liquor	PEC	Star Lumber	Xpress Signs & Graphics
Doc Herrman Dentistry	JT Tailgates	Peoples Bank and Trust	Starbucks	
Dudley Williams	Kansas Building Products	Perfection Masonry	Stover's Restoration	

2023-2024 Financials

Consolidated Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2024

Revenue, Gains, and Other Support

Fundraising Revenues	\$170,856
Miscellaneous Gifts and Donations	\$5,824
Total Revenue, Gains, and Other Support	\$177,670

Expenses

Grants and Scholarships	\$43,467
Staff Appreciation	\$4,850
Total Program Expenses	\$48,317

Fundraising Expenses	\$51,755
Administrative and Overhead	\$24,950
Total Overhead	\$76,705

Total Expenses	\$125,022
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Statement of Financial Position Year Ended June 30, 2024

Assets

Operating Checking Account	\$79,275
Money Market Accounts	\$86,560
Investments	\$42,573
Total Assets	\$208,408

Net Assets

Unrestricted Funds	\$140,507
Restricted Funds	\$25,328
Restricted Endowment	\$42,573
Total Net Assets	\$208,408