





# 2025-2026

# GRATITUDE REPORT






LINDBERGH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

Celebrating the Power of Your Giving



# Impact by the Numbers

## How Your Donations Make a Difference

**96**
**EDUCATORS**
Awarded **$31,600** in Innovation Grants

**11**
**ALUMNI, EDUCATORS & ATHLETES HONORED**
at the annual LHS Alumni Awards Banquet

**75**
**LHS SENIORS**
from the class of 2026 received a Foundation or Alumni Association Scholarship

**7,500**
**LINDBERGH STUDENTS**
Directly impacted by Foundation Innovation Grants

**12**
**FOSTER FAMILIES**
Helped by the Lindbergh Retired Educators committee programs

**196**
**LINDBERGH FAMILIES**
Helped by the Lindbergh Lights the Way committee programs

**1,529**
**ACTIVE DONORS**
to the Lindbergh Schools Foundation during the 2025-26 school year

**619**
**FIRST-TIME**
Lindbergh Schools Foundation Donors

**$963K**
**INVESTED BY YOU**

**ONLY ONE YOU!**

# A Year of Generosity
# A Future of Possibility

**Dear Lindbergh Schools Community,**

Some organizations might call this an annual report, but we will always call it a **Gratitude Report**—because every success story, innovative idea, and changed life you see in these pages exists entirely because of **you**.

Because of your incredible generosity, the Lindbergh Schools Foundation continues to be a powerful force for good. Over the past year, your support has translated into life-changing scholarships for our graduates, innovative classroom grants that empower our teachers, and vital assistance for families navigating hardship through Lindbergh Lights the Way. You have also helped us bridge generations, celebrating our history with the LHS Alumni Association and Lindbergh Retired Educators, while boldly funding new initiatives that shape our future.

At our core, our mission remains steadfast: to endow and administer funds that award scholarships to Lindbergh High School students, to support programs that enhance the educational experience across the district, and to strengthen the enduring bond between Lindbergh Schools, our alumni, and the broader community.

During the 2024-25 school year, we celebrated the historic milestone of Lindbergh Schools' 75th Anniversary. This year, we took that incredible momentum and used it to step confidently into our next chapter. From breaking a fundraising record to launching a new program supporting our students, this past year proved that our community is stronger and more dedicated than ever.

We hope this report gives you a clear picture of the real impact of your giving. The Foundation simply would not exist without your partnership, and we are deeply grateful for your continued support.

With heartfelt appreciation,



Erica Keating

**Erica Keating**
Executive Director
Lindbergh Schools Foundation



Greg Schattgen

**Greg Schattgen**
President
Lindbergh Schools Foundation

# 94 EDUCATORS. $31,600 IN GRANTS.

## Bringing Learning to Life

Lindbergh Schools FOUNDATION Innovation Grants

Because of your generosity, **94 Innovation Grants** totaling **more than $30,000** were awarded during the 2025–26 school year, helping educators bring creative ideas and meaningful learning experiences to students throughout Lindbergh Schools.

Your support helped turn great ideas into reality. This year, grants funded projects such as an **interactive escape room for high school Spanish students, Brine Shrimp/Algae microplastic beaker bag kits for science classes, art cart bins, phonics magnetic boards, math games, and field trip experiences.** These opportunities gave students new ways to explore, create, and engage in learning.

This year, Innovation Grants were awarded across the district to all of our buildings:

**Concord Elementary (8)**
**Crestwood Elementary (5)**
**Dressel Elementary (11)**
**ECE (8)**
**ECE West (4)**
**Idea Center (3)**
**Kennerly Elementary (9)**
**Lindbergh High School (5)**
**Long Elementary (10)**
**Sappington Elementary (10)**
**Sperreng Middle School (13)**
**Truman Middle School (7)**
**Support Services Center (1)**

Thank you for supporting the Innovation Grant Program and helping turn educators' ideas into meaningful opportunities for Lindbergh students and teachers.

## ROCKET DAY TAKES LEARNING TO NEW HEIGHTS

**Dressel third graders brought their Force and Motion studies to life through the school's annual Rocket Day. Using Innovation Grant-funded rocket-building supplies, students designed, constructed, and launched their own model rockets as the culminating activity of their science unit. This hands-on STEM experience encouraged creativity, teamwork, critical thinking, and problem-solving while allowing students to apply classroom concepts in an exciting real-world setting.**

*Grant written by Alex Buckley, Andrew Kremer, and Hailey Maloney, and Raichel Panicker, Third Grade Teachers at Dressel Elementary School.*



## EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDENTS LEARN THROUGH DISCOVERY

**Lindbergh Early Childhood Education received a variety of staff-selected resources, including soccer equipment, a playhouse, STEM materials, and sensory and dramatic play items. These new tools provide opportunities for hands-on exploration, imaginative play, movement, and collaborative learning throughout the school day. By engaging with these materials, students build important social-emotional, cognitive, language, and motor skills while developing creativity, curiosity, and confidence through meaningful play-based experiences.**

*Grant written by Lindbergh Early Childhood Education Teachers and Staff.*





## LONG ELEMENTARY STUDENTS FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD

**Long Elementary kindergarten and first grade students attended a live performance of The Wizard of Oz at the Kirkwood Performing Arts Center. This literacy-focused field trip brought storytelling to life, allowing students to connect classroom learning with a live theatrical experience. Through engaging with characters, dialogue, and dramatic elements, students strengthened comprehension and listening skills while deepening their understanding of narrative storytelling. The experience also fostered creativity and an appreciation for the performing arts.**

*Grant written by Long Kindergarten and First Grade Teachers.*

## TRUMAN STUDENTS EXPERIENCE THE ART OF SUMI-E

**Truman Middle School students explored the traditional Japanese art of Sumi-e through the use of authentic brushes, ink, and paper. This unique cultural arts experience introduced students to a new artistic medium while encouraging mindfulness, creativity, and intentional artistic expression. Through hands-on practice, students developed fine motor skills, learned about a centuries-old artistic tradition, and gained a deeper appreciation for global cultures and diverse forms of artistic expression.**

*Grant written by Mark Ridgeway, Art Teacher at Truman Middle School.*





## LINDBERGH IMPACT STUDENTS INVESTIGATE MICROPLASTICS

**Lindbergh High School IMPACT students explored the effects of microplastics on aquatic ecosystems through a hands-on interdisciplinary seminar combining science and art. Using live brine shrimp, algae cultures, and specialized laboratory materials, students designed experiments, analyzed data, and investigated the impact of microplastics on organisms and ecosystem health. This innovative project fostered scientific inquiry, environmental awareness, and real-world problem-solving skills.**

*Grant written by Nora LaFata, Biology and Biomedical Science Teacher at Lindbergh High School.*

## 94 EDUCATORS. $31,600 IN GRANTS. ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES.

Every Innovation Grant begins with an educator's vision and becomes possible through the generosity of our donors. Thank you for helping Lindbergh teachers create meaningful learning experiences for students across the district.

# Lindbergh Schools Foundation
# Junior Board




We are proud to celebrate the incredible impact of the Lindbergh Schools Foundation Junior Board during the 2025-26 school year. This exceptional group of student leaders dedicated their time, talent, and passion to serve Lindbergh Schools and the greater community through mission-driven initiatives.

## Highlights From the 2025-26 School Year:

### Event Participation:
Junior Board members volunteered at key Foundation and district events throughout the year, including **Opening Day**, the **Alumni Awards Banquet**, **Scholarship Night**, **Lindbergh Leaders**, and the **Senior Grad Walk**. Their leadership and enthusiasm helped make these events memorable for students, alumni, and families.

### Fundraising Success:
Our Junior Board raised more than **$1,700** through several creative fundraisers:

- A booth at the **SunCrest Fest** where we received **$50** in donations to support the **Junior Board intiatives.**
- A **Hot Cocoa Sale** raised **$233** to support the **Junior Board's Club Grant Program.**
- A **Wreath Fundraiser** at the Holiday House tour raised **$130** to support the **Junior Board intiatives.**
- A **Sweet and Salty Snack Sale** brought in over **$300** to benefit the **Lindbergh Lights the Way Summer Café Program.**
- At **Parents' Night Out Movie Night** we raised **more than $1,000** for the board's general fund, while providing K-5 students with a fun-filled evening of crafts, games, and a showing of "Ratatouille"—and giving parents a well-deserved night out.

### Membership Growth:
Student interest in the Foundation Junior Board continues to grow. In April 2026, **76 students** applied for the 2026-27 Board. After a thoughtful selection process, we are excited to welcome **40 members**, including **27 returning** and **13 new** students. Congratulations to this inspiring new team!

### Summer Board Retreat:
In August of each year, the incoming Junior Board gathers for their annual Leadership Retreat—a full day dedicated to planning, team-building, and leadership development. This experience helps prepare members for a successful and impactful year ahead. On August 17, 2026 our newest 40-member board met for this year's summer retreat, and planned the 2026-27 Junior Board calendar and events.

Thanks to your generous support, the Foundation Junior Board continues to thrive—empowering students to lead with purpose and create lasting change in their community.

Thank you for your generosity and belief in their potential.

Sincerely,

Tim Deposki

Tim Deposki, Chairperson
Lindbergh Schools Foundation Junior Board

LINDBERGH SCHOOLS
FOUNDATION
JUNIOR BOARD

# 2025-2026 Foundation Junior Board Events, Volunteer Opportunities, and Highlights



*Junior Board members and advisors gathered for the annual Junior Board Retreat to plan for the 2025–26 school year, participate in team-building activities, and prepare for a year of leadership and service.*



*Abeer, Sydney, Mia, Olivia, Jacqueline, Maggie, Grace, Olivia, Ryan, Grace, and Kinley volunteered at Lindbergh's Opening Day event to welcome staff back for the new school year.*



*Junior Board Advisor Barb Gregston, Olivia Cook, Mia Tinnin, Kinley Lord, Junior Board Advisor Tim Deposki, and Grace Leitner volunteered at Sunday Night Lights, making balloon animals for children and families.*



*Lucas, Bobby, Ryan, Olivia, Sophia, Sydney, Tim Deposki, Molly, Adelaide, Melissa, and Jonathan welcomed honorees and guests at the LHS Alumni Association Awards Banquet.*




*Junior Board members Karli Spurgeon, Lauren Posey, and Braden Wheatley at registration for Parents' Night Out Movie Night at Dressel Elementary School, helping welcome and check in families.*



*Erica Keating, Sydney Thurmond (Gregston Family Scholarship recipient), John Reifsteck, Grace Lankford, Lauren Posey (Pat Rothkopf Memorial Junior Board Scholarship recipient), and Barb Gregston.*

## *2025-26 JUNIOR BOARD MEMBERS:*

**Pictured top left page, from left to right:** *Back Row:* Kristi Kienzler, Mia Tinnin, Addalyn Burdell, Bobby Keating, Ben Rothe, Lucas Chen, Ryan Maschmann, Jon Kunze, Melisa Mehmedovic, Sophia Lawrence, Tim Deposki; *Middle Row:* Barb Gregston, Olivia Cook, Izzy Rodriguez, Jillian Hrach, Alma Garriga, Karli Spurgeon, Kinley Lord, Sumaira Hasan, Olivia Yeoman, Jocelyn Davidson, Erica Keating; *Front Row:* Lauren Posey, Abeer Hasan, Grace Lankford, Maddilyn Brannan, John Reifsteck, Molly Eisele, Kyle Lin, Sydney Thurmond.

**Not Pictured:** Alex Rusnack, Maggie Finn, Knadiya Samlalsingh, Braden Wheatley, Jacqueline Manson, Eleni Simos, and Luna Zdrnja

# Lindbergh Lights the Way

## For Lindbergh Students and Families




*Lindbergh Lights the Way Scholarship recipients Malak Salman and Abeer MahdiHasan are pictured with LLTW Chairperson Michelle Studer (center) at the Lindbergh Schools Foundation Scholarship Night.*

Lindbergh Lights the Way

### 2025-26 LINDBERGH LIGHTS THE WAY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

*Michelle Studer, Chairperson*
*Jennifer Abercrombie, Vice Chairperson*
*Leigh Nieman, Secretary*
*Chuck Triplett, Finance*

*Laura Brunsman*
*Mikayla Cowen*
*Melissa D'Ambrossi*
*Katherine Mason*
*Dawn McRae*
*Jennifer Ulrich*
*Linda Rutledge*
*Carol Stelmach*
*Jessica Wood*
*Debbie Welch*

Every act of kindness, every donation, every ounce of support—you made it all possible.

Because of you, Lindbergh Lights the Way has been able to reach hundreds of students and families with essential support when they needed it most. You turned hope into action and made sure no child or family in our district felt unseen or unsupported. We are so thankful for your generosity and compassion.

Lindbergh Lights the Way (LLTW) is a committee of the Lindbergh Schools Foundation that exists because people like you believe in lifting others up. Together with district social workers, staff, and community volunteers, we focus on helping students participate in school activities and ensuring families have access to basic living essentials. Thanks to your gifts, we can respond quickly and personally to real needs within our schools.

Your impact this year was extraordinary. You helped feed 77 families through our Summer Café. You made sure students had what they needed to go on field trips, join sports teams, and attend dances. You kept the lights on and the water running for families who were struggling. You filled Giving Tree wish lists with love and dignity during the holidays. And you helped graduating seniors start their next chapter with the supplies they needed to succeed.

Because of you, students felt included. Families felt supported. And our entire community felt the power of what we can do when we come together.

As you read this report, we hope you feel proud of what we've accomplished—because you made every bit of it possible. On behalf of all of us at Lindbergh Lights the Way, thank you for sharing your light and lifting up our Lindbergh families.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Michelle Studer, Chairperson
Lindbergh Lights the Way



# LINDBERGH LIGHTS THE WAY IMPACT

## YOUR SUPPORT MADE THIS HAPPEN

### SUMMER CAFÉ



**Program Impact:**

- Weekly groceries delivered to **77 families** and **100+ students**

### GIVING TREE



**Program Impact:**

- **73 families** received gifts totaling $25,600
- Over **$3,000** in additional cash donations

### STUDENT ACTIVITY SUPPORT



**Program Impact:**

- **16 students and families** had participation fees covered for school activities, including:
  - Bowling, Band, Gymnastics, Basketball, Winterguard, Volleyball, Softball, and more!

### COLLEGE & CAREER KICKSTART



**Program Impact:**

- Over **$4,000** in school supplies, personal care, and dorm items
- **20 LHS seniors** received school supplies, personal care items, and dorm supplies

### UTILITY ASSISTANCE



**Program Impact:**

- **$5,000** raised during the holidays
- **31 families** assisted with utility bills

### SCHOLARSHIPS



**Program Impact:**

- **$500 scholarships** awarded to **Abeer Hasan** and **Awar Salman** for their dedication to serving others

### ONGOING FAMILY ASSISTANCE



**Program Impact:**

- **20 families** received food assistance during the school year
- **4 families** received gas or transportation support

### WATCH VIDEO TO SEE YOUR IMPACT

Scan the QR code to watch a video featuring a family whose lives were directly impacted by LLTW programs, or visit: **bit.ly/LLTWSupport**

# $233,750 Invested in Students 117 Scholarships Awarded

On April 1, 2026, we proudly hosted our annual Scholarship Night, **awarding 117 scholarships** to **75 outstanding students**. Together, these scholarships totaled an incredible **$233,750**—supporting Lindbergh High School seniors as they take the next step in their educational journeys. Since the Foundation's inception, **more than $1.5 million in scholarships** has been awarded to LHS students. This is made possible through the generosity of our incredible Lindbergh community.

The original Lindbergh Schools Foundation Scholarship continues to be a cornerstone of our program, honoring students who have overcome significant adversity. This year, nine students received Adversity Scholarships. While we started with just one scholarship, today we are proud to offer a diverse range of scholarships that reflect the unique strengths, stories, and aspirations of our students.

The Lindbergh Schools Foundation manages the entire scholarship process to ensure it is smooth, fair, and transparent. We work closely with donors to establish criteria, promote opportunities to students, host help sessions and speaker events, and anonymize applications for impartial selection. Most scholarships are awarded by donor-led committees, while the Foundation Board selects recipients for a small number using a detailed scoring rubric. In all cases, confidentiality and fairness remain our top priorities.

*Scholarship funding is made possible through private donations, staff contributions, and special funds.*

*Criteria for awards vary and may include:*

- Overcoming adversity
- Academic achievement
- Special financial needs
- Having a dedicated job
- Plans to join the military
- Plans to attend college
- Plans to attend a vocational school
- Plans to study education
- Shows kindness in their everyday life
- Athletics
- Community Service
- Specific school club or activity
- Special interest or hobby

Thank you for helping us invest in the future of Lindbergh students. Your support makes these life-changing opportunities possible.

Lindbergh Schools FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Scan the QR code to watch a video highlighting our Scholarship Program.



# DR. MARY LOUISE ZIEGER SCHOLARSHIP

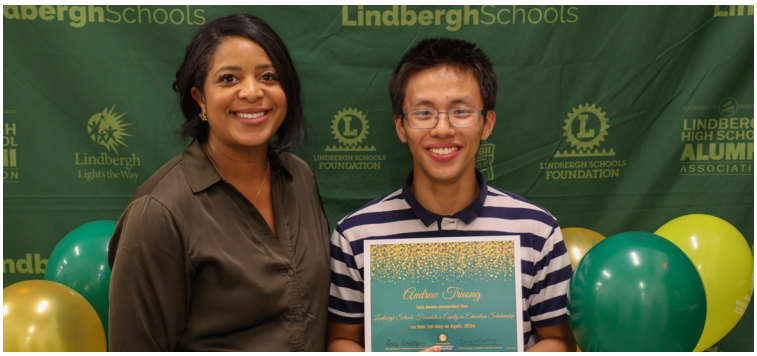
## A life-changing, one-of-a-kind, four year renewable scholarship for students studying to become educators



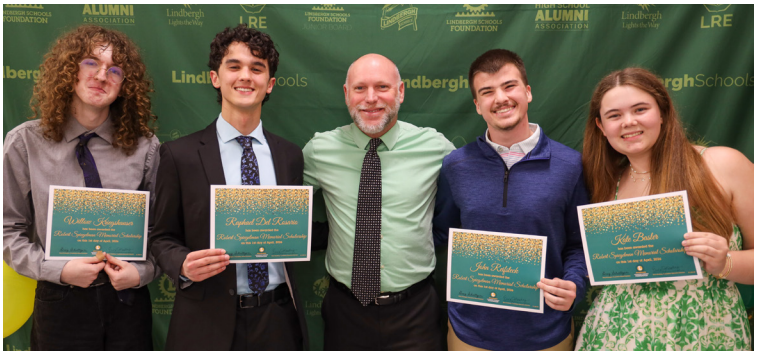

*Ellie Bakai (left), the fourth recipient of the Dr. Mary Louise Zieger Scholarship, and Nicole Bradley (center), the fifth recipient of the scholarship, are pictured with Dr. Tara Sparks, Chief Academic Officer.*



***Front row:** Yvonne Lowe, mother of Quintyn Lewis, with the Quintyn Lewis LLQ Scholarship recipients: Beckett Linton, Eve Garland, and Riley Clark. **Back row:** Samir Kaade, Hannah Burns, and Kate Basler.*




*Andrew Truong, recipient of the Lindbergh Schools Foundation Equity in Education Scholarship, is pictured with Dr. Sheriah Mason, Director of Belonging and Character Education.*



*Robert Spiegelman Memorial Scholarship recipients Willow Kriegshauser, Raphael Del Rosario, John Reifsteck, and Kate Basler are pictured with Director of Bands David Wyss.*




*2026 Scholarship Recipients*

# Lindbergh High School
# Alumni Association

## Once a Flyer, Always a Flyer



Class of 2026 celebrates their graduation with the hat toss

Dear Lindbergh Alumni,

As another school year comes to a close, I'm proud to share the exciting highlights and accomplishments of the Lindbergh High School Alumni Association (LHSAA) during the 2025-2026 academic year. Thanks to your continued support and enthusiasm, we've built on our mission to celebrate alumni, support current students, and honor the incredible educators who shape our Lindbergh community.

*Here are some highlights of our endeavors:*

**Trivia Night:** Our annual Trivia Night tradition continues to bring alumni and friends together for an evening filled with laughter, friendly competition, and meaningful purpose. Our sold-out event helped us reconnect with classmates and raise more than $10,000 for next year's scholarships. Mark your calendars now for next year's event: **March 6, 2027!**

**Scholarships for LHS Seniors:**
Our number one priority remains giving back to today's students through scholarships—and your generosity made a tremendous difference. This year, we awarded $18,250 in scholarships to 17 outstanding Lindbergh High School seniors. That brings our total to an incredible $201,475 awarded to 260 seniors since the Alumni Association began! This would not be possible without the loyal support of alumni like you.

**Reunions and Campus Tours:**
We've also loved reconnecting with so many of you throughout the year. Numerous class reunions were held, and the LHSAA proudly coordinated dozens of Lindbergh High School tours, welcoming alumni back to walk the halls, reminisce, and see how our school continues to grow. These special moments remind us of the lasting bonds formed at Lindbergh—and the powerful role our shared history plays in shaping our future.

**Homecoming Banquet and Celebrations:**
Lindbergh Homecoming is a time to celebrate our school's traditions while recognizing the alumni and educators who have helped shape our community. At the 2025 Alumni Awards Banquet, we celebrated an outstanding group of Distinguished Alumni, Distinguished Educators, and Athletic Hall of Fame honorees whose contributions have made a lasting impact on Lindbergh Schools.



*2025 Distinguished Honorees: Back row: Tim Hamm-Bey, Sam Smith, 2014 Boys Volleyball Team;*
*Front row: Andrew Keltner, Cara Bast, Paul Cook, Linzi Andrews, Stacey Macko, Charlotte Poston, Lance Weiss, Erica Keating, Kim Onder*




*Alumni Association Committee members Vic Lenz, Don Bee, and Gloria McBride at Trivia Night, helping keep Lindbergh traditions and alumni connections strong.*



*LHSAA Chairperson Jean Madrid with a group of 2026 Alumni Association Scholarship recipients during Scholarship Night: Madeline Pacanowski, Mary Jane Abercrombie, John Reifsteck, Giovanni Nicastro, Mira Wissel, Saanvi Thokachicku, and Reagan Dougherty.*




*Members of the Lindbergh High School Class of 1975 during their reunion tour at Lindbergh High School, celebrating a $50,000 gift to establish the Lindbergh High School Class of 1975 Coach Don Bee Scholarship.*

The **2025 Distinguished Alumni Honorees** were Cara (Hoffmeyer) Bast '03, Paul Cook '90, Erica (Stoppelmann) Keating '94, and Lance Weiss '81.

The **2025 Distinguished Educators Honorees** were Stacey (Shelton) Macko '77 and Charlotte Poston.

The **Athletic Hall of Fame Honorees** were Linzi (Bereitschaft) Andrews '07, Tim Hamm-Bey '11, Andrew Keltner '08, Sam Smith '11, and the 2014 State Champion Boys Volleyball Team.

As the Alumni Awards Banquet is now held every other year, we look forward to celebrating our next class of Distinguished Honorees at the 2027 Alumni Awards Banquet.

On behalf of the Lindbergh High School Alumni Association, thank you for helping keep the Flyer spirit alive. Whether you attend events, make a donation, host a reunion, volunteer, or simply stay connected, you help strengthen our alumni community and inspire the next generation of Flyers.

With Sincere Gratitude,

Jean T Madrid

Jean (Trask) Madrid '94,
24-25 Chairperson, LHS Alumni Association

## 2025-26 LHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

*Jean (Trask) Madrid '94, Chairman*
*Suzi (Schloss) Seeker '89, Vice Chairman*
*Bob Hawkins '76, Secretary*
*Julie (Link) DuPont '85, Finance*

*Don Bee '61*
*Barb (Bess) Gregston '70*
*Stephanie Hill '97*
*Dr. O. Victor Lenz '60*
*Brad Macko '80*
*Stacey (Shelton) Macko '77*
*Joe Madrid '89*
*Mark Moran '76*
*Gloria (Messmer) McBride '66*
*Greg Schattgen '04*
*Susan (Ashwell) Schraut '87*
*Susan (Neitzert) Schettler '70*
*Holly (Miller) Stockmann '92*
*Gary Ujka '76*

# Lindbergh Retired Educators

## Serving. Celebrating. Staying Connected.




*The 2026 Lindbergh Retired Educators Scholarship recipients.*
*Pictured left to right: Matt Pfeiffer, Charlie Phillips, LRE Chairperson Robbie Engel (center), Hannah Burns, and Henry Kraft.*

Dear Lindbergh Retired Educators and Friends,

As the 2025–2026 school year came to a close, we reflected with deep appreciation on the incredible work accomplished by the Lindbergh Retired Educators (LRE). Your generosity, enthusiasm, and continued commitment to the Lindbergh community bring our mission to life year after year—and this year was no exception.

LRE's mission has always been to stay connected, give back, and support both current Lindbergh students and one another in retirement. Through scholarships, community partnerships, fundraising events, and social gatherings, our members have made a lasting difference in the lives of students, families, and fellow retirees.

We were thrilled to welcome **32** new retirees as members of the "Class of 2025." These individuals joined a remarkable community that continues to make an impact long after leaving the classroom.

### Back-to-School Luncheon

We kicked off the school year with our annual Back-to-School Luncheon, where **69** members gathered to reconnect and celebrate the beginning of another school year. Guests enjoyed a delicious meal and an engaging presentation by Rob Rains, who shared stories from his experiences covering the St. Louis Cardinals.

### Scholarships

One of our proudest traditions is supporting the next generation of learners and leaders. This year, LRE awarded **$6,000 in scholarships to four outstanding Lindbergh High School seniors** who are children of Lindbergh employees:

- **Hannah Burns**, daughter of Elizabeth Burns (Long Elementary)
- **Henry Kraft**, son of Amy Kraft (SSD)
- **Matt Pfeiffer**, son of Mark Pfeiffer (LHS)
- **Charlie Phillips**, daughter of Shelley Phillips (LHS)

These scholarships are made possible through the generosity and support of our members.

### Holiday Merriment

Our Holiday Merriment luncheon brought members together at Royale Orleans for festive cheer, wonderful food, and meaningful fellowship. Thanks to your participation and the success of our auction, we raised **$1,152 for the LRE Scholarship Fund!**

### Signature Parties

Throughout the year, members hosted and attended Signature Parties that strengthened friendships, fostered connections, and supported meaningful causes. These gatherings continue to be among our most cherished traditions.



*Back to School Luncheon attendees Dana Lenzen, Carolyne Candrl, Lin Heater, Karen Czaicki, Margo Barnidge, and Tracy Malke gather to celebrate the start of a new school year with great food and conversation.*



*Retired Educators proudly pose together during the annual Spring Fling's building photo tradition, celebrating fellowship while supporting Angels' Arms.*



*Nicholas Miller, Catherine Jaggie, LRE Committee member Mary Meyer, Barb Bocklage, Bess Wilfong, and Chris Calvird from Angels' Arms gather at the annual LRE Spring Fling, which raises funds to support Angels' Arms.*

## Angels' Arms

Our continued partnership with Angels' Arms, founded by Lindbergh teacher Bess Wilfong, remains a vital part of our outreach efforts. Through our meal program and quarterly gift cards, LRE members supported foster mothers Sally Terranova and Barb Bocklage throughout the year.

## Spring Fling

Held on April 13, 2026, at Andre's Sunset Hills, our Spring Fling brought members together for laughter, conversation, and fundraising in support of Angels' Arms. The event featured auction and raffle items that raised more than $2,000 for Angels' Arms, and provided an opportunity to recognize our scholarship recipients and dedicated board members.

Your time, talents, and generosity have helped extend the legacy of Lindbergh's educational excellence. Whether you attended an event, supported a scholarship, volunteered your time, or contributed to Angels' Arms, you have made a meaningful difference.

Thank you for continuing to be the heart of the Lindbergh Retired Educators. We look forward to another year of friendship, service, and making an impact together.

Sincerely,

Robbie Engel, Co-Chairperson
Lindbergh Retired Educators

Peggy Robb, Co-Chairperson
Lindbergh Retired Educators

## 2025-26 LINDBERGH RETIRED EDUCATORS COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

*Robbie Engel, LRE Co-Chairperson*
*Peggy Robb, LRE Co-Chairperson*
*Carolyne Candrl, LRE Directory & Correspondence*
*Teri Jacob, LRE Finance*
*Gretchen Moser, LRE Recording Secretary*
*Kim Scronce, LRE Express*

*Don Bee*
*Nancy Benson*
*Dee Callanan*
*Valerie Creech*
*Sara Fabick*
*Mary Hogan*
*Vic Lenz*
*Mary Meyer*
*Dianne Schmidt*
*Beth Siegfried*
*Vicky Stanford*
*Carol Stulce*

**Lindbergh**
Retired Educators













# Flyer Family Fund

## Employee Giving Program

Each year during open enrollment, Lindbergh employees have the opportunity to support the Lindbergh Schools Foundation through payroll deduction. By contributing a small amount from each paycheck, staff members collectively make a meaningful investment in the students, schools, and programs they care about most.

The impact of these gifts is remarkable. If every Lindbergh employee contributed just $1 per pay period, we could raise more than $30,000 annually to enhance educational opportunities across the district. These contributions help fund scholarships, Innovation Grants, Lindbergh Lights the Way, and other Foundation initiatives that directly benefit students, educators, and families throughout the district.

The Flyer Family Fund also inspires a little friendly competition across Lindbergh Schools. Each year, the school with the highest percentage of employee participation earns a celebratory breakfast served by Foundation Board members and district leaders.

On February 10, 2026, Foundation Board members and district leaders had the pleasure of serving breakfast to the staff at Truman Middle School after they once again achieved the highest participation rate in the district. With an outstanding **63% participation rate**, Truman claimed the title for the fourth consecutive year, demonstrating an incredible commitment to giving back and supporting the Foundation's mission.

This year, more than **300 Lindbergh employees** generously chose to participate in the Flyer Family Fund through payroll deduction, collectively contributing nearly **$15,000** to support Foundation programs and initiatives. Every gift—regardless of size—represents a shared commitment to creating opportunities and enriching experiences for our students and school community.

We know how hard our employees work for every dollar they earn, which makes their generosity even more meaningful. To every staff member who participates in the Flyer Family Fund: thank you for choosing to invest in our students, support your colleagues, and strengthen the Lindbergh community. Your generosity truly demonstrates what it means to be a Flyer family.

# Green & Gold Society

## A Growing Tradition of Generosity

Launched during Lindbergh's 75th anniversary, the Green & Gold Society recognizes donors who commit to giving $7.50 or more each month. What began as a new initiative has quickly become a vital source of sustained support for our schools. Because recurring gifts provide reliable, year-round funding, they allow the Foundation to plan ahead, respond to emerging needs, and create even more opportunities for students and educators.

This year, the Green & Gold Society experienced remarkable growth. We are proud to recognize **111 Lindbergh employees** who generously give at the $7.50 or more level through payroll deduction. They are joined by 50 community members who faithfully support the Foundation through recurring monthly gifts.

Together, these **161 dedicated donors** provide ongoing support for programs and initiatives including Innovation Grants, scholarships, Lindbergh Lights the Way, the Junior Foundation Board, alumni engagement, and other opportunities that enrich the Lindbergh experience.

To celebrate and thank our Green & Gold Society members, donors receive special recognition and exclusive benefits throughout the year. This year, we were excited to introduce our first-ever **Green & Gold Society Member Happy Hour**, giving supporters an opportunity to connect, celebrate, and see the collective impact of their generosity.

**Green & Gold Society member benefits include:**

- Invitations to the Green & Gold Society Member Happy Hour
- An exclusive Green & Gold Society T-shirt
- Recognition on the Foundation website
- Invitations to special donor events
- Personalized thank-you calls
- Opportunities to see their impact firsthand through donor tours and experiences

Thank you to the 161 staff and community members who make up the Green & Gold Society. Your steady and dependable generosity is creating opportunities, supporting innovation, and strengthening the Lindbergh community every single month.












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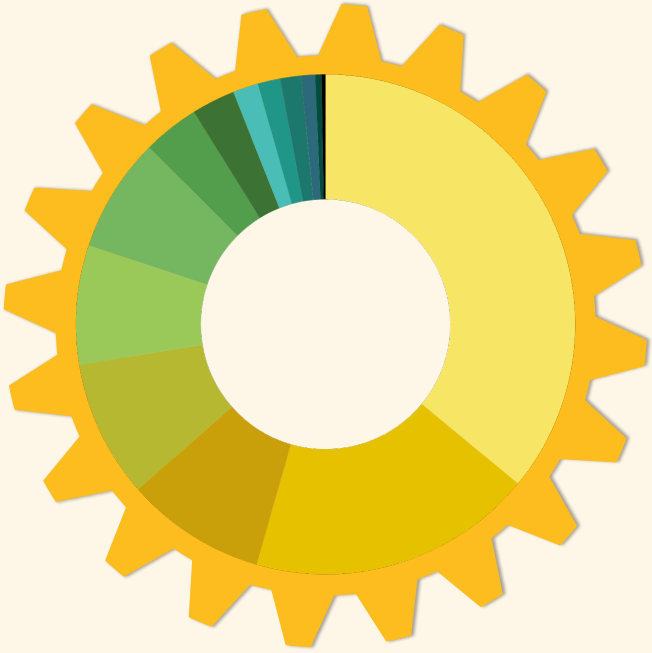
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# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026



## REVENUE

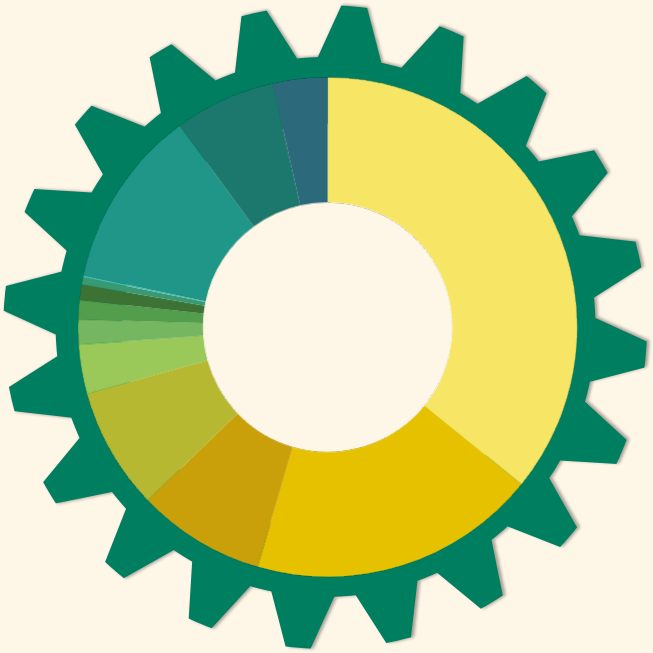
### Revenue and Support

| | |
|---|---|
| Scholarship Donations | $346,762 |
| Investment Income | $177,717 |
| Innovation Grant Donations | $87,183 |
| Year-Long Sponsorships | $85,500 |
| Lindbergh Lights the Way | $74,413 |
| In-Kind Donations | $75,124 |
| LHS Alumni Association | $35,020 |
| Unrestricted Donations | $27,111 |
| Flyer Family Fund Donations | $15,925 |
| Operations | $14,036 |
| Lindbergh Retired Educators | $12,868 |
| Reunion Ticket Sales | $8,786 |
| Foundation Junior Board | $3,955 |
| Farmers Club Donations | $2,500 |
| **Total Revenue and Support** | **$966,900** |

## NET ASSETS

### Current Assets

| | |
|---|---|
| Operating | $483,030 |
| Innovation Grant Fund | $196,134 |
| Scholarship Investments | $2,850,009 |
| **Total Assets** | **$3,529,173** |



## EXPENSES

### Program Expenses

| | |
|---|---|
| Scholarships | $157,650 |
| Lindbergh Lights the Way | $102,221 |
| Innovation Grant Program | $43,390 |
| LHS Alumni Association | $41,294 |
| Lindbergh Retired Educators | $16,657 |
| LHS Reunion Expenses | $8,372 |
| Student Leadership Experiences | $6,512 |
| Lindbergh Leaders | $5,292 |
| Foundation Junior Board | $2,453 |
| Athletic Grants | $630 |
| Total Program Expenses | $384,471 |

### Supportive Services

| | |
|---|---|
| Management and General | $60,661 |
| Accounting and Investment Management | $34,278 |
| Fundraising and Development | $18,544 |
| Total Supportive Services | $113,483 |
| **Total Net Expenses** | **$523,589** |

LINDBERGH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION



## CURRENT LINDBERGH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION BOARD & STAFF

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***Special Thanks to our 2022-26 Board of Education Liaison, Megan Vedder***

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## OUR PARTNER PROGRAMS

LINDBERGH HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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LINDBERGH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION JUNIOR BOARD

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Volunteers make the Lindbergh Schools Foundation possible.

Find out how to get involved by visiting **bit.ly/LSFVolunteer**

## DONATE

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