We Believe...
Parent and community involvement in the educational process is essential...

- Spaghetti Supper/Auction
- Wayne Township Community Theatre
- Theatre Camps
- Golf Outing
- Appreciation for HOSTS Mentors
- Anniversary Events
- Major Saver
- Wayne Winter Games
- Alumni Outreach
Wayne Township Community Theatre
a signature program of the Wayne Township Education Foundation

We Believe...
Teacher ideas should be embraced, encouraged, and funded.

Grant In Action
The generous donors to WTEF probably don't understand how much their contribution means to us, even beyond the dollars. WTEF has made it clear, time and time again, that not only are we supported and heard, but there are people eager to help. We cannot thank them enough, nor can the growing minds of our students.

Program Funding Milestone
1,092 Classroom Programs Funded

Program Funding Milestone
277,030 Affected
Includes Students, Parents, Staff
Grant In Action - Science Summer Safari

"This camp allows students to experience science in a way they may never have the opportunity to experience on their own, increasing students' background knowledge and opportunities to look at science through a different lens will also allow them to increase their overall growth in science, language arts, and math."
- Rita Cruslin

Grant In Action - Science Summer Safari

"We just wanted to thank you for creating such an amazing learning journey for our daughter. She has taken so much away from this opportunity because of your energy, support and time spent creating such astounding lessons. This endeavor will FOREVER drive her desire to learn. We, as parents, are forever grateful. You’re truly 1 in a MILLION!"

"Thank you for giving me a wonderful adventure all over the state. I had a lot of fun. My favorite thing was Tuesday when we walked in the creek and caught fish. I caught four newfields. I had so much fun. I wish I could explore the world every day. Thank you!"
- Anevasia, Student

Grant In Action – Girls Night In
Wayne Preparatory Academy

"I wanted help but I didn't know how to get it. The Girls Night ladies are into you. They want to help you. Girls were in cliques before GNI but after, they don't bully the other girls anymore. The topics are things we're going through and show us that we're not alone. The girls need this program (the boys need some attention too)."

Grant In Action
Area 31 Converting Diesel into Biofuel

"The biggest thing I've learned while working on this project is that giving back to the community can reward you with pride in yourself and your accomplishments. My favorite things are all of the hard work I've put into the project, visualizing what the completed Garden will look like, and seeing the Veterans' reactions when they see the finished product."
- Peter Fyffe
2014 Male Volunteer of the Year Award L.E.A.P

Cause for Celebration
Lifetime Donors

Organizations
- Ben Davis Lions Club
- Bell Enterprises
- City Securities
- Classroom Teachers Association
- The Skillman Corporation
- Westside Community News

Wayne Township Employees
- Linda Bohanon
- Kevin Britt
- Linda Cooper
- Nancy Fine
- Sara Gasiorowski
- Barbara Lanham
- Duana McCalmant
- Dennis Tackitt
- Sara Ward
- Dorinda York

Individuals
- Bob & Pat Eddleman
- Carolyn McCrery Kahl
- Al & Susan Stout
- Dennis & Kathy Tackitt
- Fred & Cookie Vargo
- Bart & Dorinda York

Thank you Platinum Sponsors

$163,025
Awarded in College Scholarships

Program Funding Milestone

This year we will award our
2 Millionth Dollar
to fund innovations grants, recognition programs, scholarships, HOSTS, Science Summer Safari,
Wayne Township Community Theatre,
Arts Alive, Wayne Youth Fund

Program Funding Milestone

260
Wayne Youth Fund Grants
Awarded to Students

Top 30
one of the programs WTEF funded from its start

750 Seniors
1500 Teachers
Honored
Seniors’ Choice Awards
one of the programs WTEF funded from its start

3,038
Teachers Recognized Through the Years

HOSTS Support
$60,000
Provided for HOSTS Resources

WTEF Superintendent’s Fund Supports
Teachers’ Treasures Memberships
Teachers shopped Classroom Resources

in 2015-2016 alone...
Teachers
shopped TT
1,335 times.
$474,991 in
resources
distributed to
Wayne teachers.

Building Our Endowment
Matching Funds from Lilly Endowment and Central Indiana Community Foundation

Funds have grown to
$1.7 Million
5% used annually to support ongoing programs and scholarships

Inspirational Giving Milestone
Largest Single Grant in WTEF History to Lynhurst

$50,000
Awarded to Support Lynhurst HOSTS

Endowed Funds
- Richard H. Crosser Grant
- Rexnord Scholarship for Area 31
- Dottie Elliot Memorial Grant
- Indy West Daybreakers Kiwanis Scholarship for a Senior Key Club Member
- Jeff Alor Memorial Scholarship for BD or BDU Senior
- Raymond Cox Memorial Fund for Drum Major Camp
- Richard H. Crosser Scholarship Fund for BD or BDU Senior
- Skillman Corporation Scholarship Fund for BD or BDU Senior
- Superintendent’s Fund Scholarship and Grant
- Kyle Hohn Memorial Scholarship Fund for BD or BDU Senior
- Jesse Halling Memorial Scholarship Fund for BD or BDU Senior
- Gary Ryan Special Services Legacy Fund
- Larry Hurt Young Artists Fund
- Ben Davis Choir Scholarship Fund
- Making a Difference Grant for Ben Davis
- Legacy Fund to Support Seniors’ Choice and Top 30 Recognition
Our Focus
A Community Catalyst to Enrich, Engage, and Stimulate Student Learning

Historical Snapshot

1991 – Board Elected, Articles of Incorporation Approved
1994 – Grants Program Established
1996 – Grant Received from Indianapolis Foundation; Exec. Director Hired
1997 – Endowment Campaign Kick-Off with 150% matching funds from Indianapolis Foundation and Lilly Endowment
2001 – First Scholarships & Youth Fund Grants
2002 – Launch of Wayne Township Community Theatre
2006 – Endowment hits $1.5 million
2007 – Wayne Township Community Theatre sees its 10,000th visitor
2011 – Roaring 20th Anniversary Celebration & Millionth Dollar Awarded
2012 – Unprecedented $50,000 Grant to support Lynnhurst Intervention Plan
2013 – Received largest single major gift in our history from Bill Rogers, 1960 BD Alum
2016 – Hats Off 25th Anniversary Celebration
  • 1,377 Teachers/Staff Awarded Grants
  • 1,092 Programs Funded
  • 277,030 Students, Staff, Parents Affected
  • $163,025 in Scholarship Funds Awarded
  • 150 Youth Fund Grants Awarded
  • 750 Seniors; 1,500 Teachers Recognized through Top Thirty Banquet
  • 3,038 Teachers Recognized through Seniors’ Choice Recognition Program
  • $60,000 in HOSTS Support
  • 25,000 Audience Members to Wayne Township Community Theatre
2017 – 2 Millionth Dollar Awarded

Legacy Gifts
The Wayne Township Education Foundation (WTEF) is dedicated to funding programs that advance the academic opportunities within the Wayne Township Community School District of Wayne Township in Indianapolis.

Our education foundation helps donors identify strategies that best fit their philanthropic interest to support students and educators in Wayne Township public schools. The WTEF can receive donations in cash, public stock, restricted stock, real estate, limited partnerships, charitable remainder trusts, foundation payouts or dissolutions, and more.

Donor-Designated Funds
In addition to gifts that support annual programming, the WTEF also manages endowed funds through the Current Historic Community Foundation (CHCF). Through WTEF’s Endowment, donors may designate funds with a minimum gift of $10,000. Endowed funds honor or memorialize former students, community members, or local businesses.

The CHCF has established several permanent funds to support programming that is overall to the benefit of the community. These permanent funds create a funding stream for the designated purpose forever or for as long as intended. Endowed funds are established with the intention of awarding funds annually from the interest earned, while protecting the original principal.