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FINANCIAL SUMMARY



Depicted is a summary of the unaudited financial results for the 2017 calendar year. In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, these results are reflected under an accrual basis. A summary of audit findings will be posted upon completion at www.okckids.com.

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In 2017, The Foundation for Oklahoma City Public Schools celebrated many successes as we and our growing list of partners supported our children and our schools.

Challenges remain, from budget cuts to inadequate teacher pay. But Oklahoma City Public Schools' (OKCPS) story exemplifies growth, change and efficient use of resources.

We continue to develop and expand partnerships and programs in our five focus areas – providing innovative support to teachers; increasing community engagement and awareness; supporting English Language Learner programs; providing teacher and leader professional development; and advocating for our schools.

This work will continue.



School Pride: Partners in Action Fowler Dodge and Mickey Mantle's Steakhouse donated 18 musical instruments to Capitol Hill High School's Pride of the Southside band.



Spot the Readers: ReadOKC brings together dozens of community groups to promote a love of literacy and reward students for reading 20 minutes a day during school breaks.

INNOVATIVE SUPPORT

DonorsChoose.org lets teachers request and receive exactly what their students need. The Foundation provided funds through a matching program before converting in July 2017 to \$250 KICKSTART contributions for each teacher's first project. The Foundation remains DonorsChoose.org's largest partnership with an education foundation.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Partners in Action initiative has flourished and become a massively impactful way for concerned community partners to directly help schools and students. More than 600 partners have contributed nearly \$6 million. Partners provided books, basketball courts, music equipment, warm winter coats and more.



2017 HIGHLIGHTS:

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State Sen. David Holt and Rachel Holt chaired the All Hands Raised luncheon, which set a new fundraising record. Attendees gained a better understanding of our work and impact in OKCPS.



The Foundation honored OKCPS Teacher of the Year Madison Wingate and eight other finalists, Valuable Volunteers, Support Staff and Community Partners at the Stars of Education Event in May. The state Department of Education also named Wingate one of four Rising Stars.



We hosted the 33rd annual Wall of Fame ceremony and inducted three members – Dr. William Lee and Sherry L. Beasley as a couple, Pete White and Thurman V. White Jr. The list of distinguished alumni with prestigious accomplishments continues to grow.



The Foundation sponsored Teacher for a Day, when dozens of civic and business leaders visited schools, and Principal for a Day, which engages Partners in Action and Leadership OKC members. These experiences help decision makers understand the realities of public education.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Foundation partners with the University of Central Oklahoma's Urban Teacher Preparation Academy to support newly certified teachers. Teachers in the program are approximately four times more likely to stay in the classroom after five years.





ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING

The Bilingual Teacher Pipeline Project (BTPP) continued to grow as Spanish-speaking paraprofessionals from the district took steps toward earning their teaching certificates. The Foundation also developed a program to provide Spanish classes for OKCPS staff members.



ADVOCACY

As part of a new focus area, the Foundation formed a committee of engaged community leaders who will drive advocacy efforts on behalf of OKCPS. They will develop messaging and strategies to ensure the public sees positive transformation and success stories from the district.

