Charitable Funds within the Appleton Education Foundation
as of 12/31/2021

Lee and Amy Allinger Education Fund – Supports projects and programs that enhance teaching and learning in the Appleton Area School District and community.

Paul and Carol Anderson Education Fund – Enhances literacy at Johnston and Horizons elementary schools and supports the Appleton Area School District’s United for Reading Success tutoring program.


Fox Cities Leadership Academy Fund – Supports needs of Fox Cities Leadership Academy Charter School.

AEF Administrative Endowment Fund – Supports the operational needs of the Appleton Education Foundation.

Appleton Education Foundation Fund – Earnings generated from this unrestricted endowment are used in the Appleton Education Foundation’s competitive grant cycles to fund creative projects that enhance education for students in a variety of academic disciplines, and to fund professional development opportunities for AASD staff members.

Appleton Public Montessori Endowment Fund – Supports educational enhancements for students at Appleton Public Montessori.

Appleton Public Montessori General Fund – Supports classroom or capital projects, curriculum development, technology and equipment, and staff development to enhance education for students at Appleton Public Montessori.

Appleton Technical Academy Fund – Supports equipment upgrades, consumables, and personal protective equipment to enhance the educational experience for students attending Appleton Technical Academy.

B.G. Society Fund – Provides financial assistance for low-income students attending Appleton West High School to help them participate in school activities.

Big Ideas Fund – Supports transformational ideas for the benefit of Appleton Area School District staff and students.

Jinny Bosser Memorial Fund – Provides assistance to low-income Appleton West High School students to help them overcome personal problems.

Gene and Mitzi Britton Memorial Scholarship Fund – Supports scholarships for graduating seniors from Appleton public high schools.

Pete Carlson Memorial Scholarship Fund – Provides art scholarships to graduating seniors of Appleton West High School.
Columbus Elementary School-Fred Hoffman Memorial Endowment Fund – Provides general support for Columbus Elementary School and a scholarship for an Appleton Area School District high school senior who is an alum of Columbus.

Community Education Fund – Supports community outreach to highlight relevant education-related topics and issues.

Duimstra Family Scholarship Fund – Will support post-secondary scholarships for graduating seniors from Appleton West High School.

Ronald C. Dunlap Memorial Scholarship Fund – Provides post-secondary scholarships to graduating seniors from Appleton West, East and North high schools, and Appleton Central.

Appleton East “Patriots Pay it Forward” Fund – Enhances the educational experience for students at Appleton East High School.

East High School Weight Room Improvement Fund – Supports improvements to the weight room at Appleton East High School.

Edison Elementary School Fund – Supports classroom projects, curriculum development, technology and equipment needs to enhance the educational experience for students attending Edison Elementary School.

Excel Volleyball Scholarship Fund – Provides post-secondary scholarships for graduating seniors from Appleton West, East and North high schools who have played girls volleyball.

Edna Ferber Elementary School Endowment Fund – Enhances the educational experience for students attending Ferber Elementary School.

Ferber Elementary School Compassion Fund – Supports programs or projects that enrich the learning experience for students attending Ferber Elementary School and provides supplies or other basic needs items for at-risk students.

Korey Fischer Outdoor Fund – Supports the Korey Fischer Outdoor Club at Appleton East High School, including the purchase of supplies and equipment for hunting, fishing, and outdoor education.

Fox River Academy Fund – Enhances the educational experience for students attending Fox River Academy Charter School.

Gruner Family Community Mental Wellness Fund – Supports programs and projects addressing the mental health and well-being of children and families in the Appleton Area School District and those who may be served in the district’s birth-five programs.

Thomas Haag-Appleton East Class of ’79 Scholarship Fund – Provides scholarships for graduating seniors from Appleton East High School.

Earl W. Harder Memorial Scholarship Fund – Supports scholarships for graduating seniors from Appleton public high schools.

Bob and Gerri Heffron Family Endowment Fund – Supports programs and projects that enhance the educational experience for Appleton Area School District students who have special education needs or
who are English Language Learners, or for continuing education opportunities for staff members and parents who work with these children.

**Highlands Elementary School Endowment Fund** – Enhances the educational experience for students attending Highlands Elementary School.

**Gerald E. Hoffman Memorial Fund** – Supports the arts at Appleton West High School.

**Paul E. Hoffman Fund for Foster Elementary School** – Supports projects and programs at Foster Elementary School.

**Horizons Pay it Forward Endowment Fund** – Enhances the educational experience for students attending Horizons Elementary School.

**Hospitality Industry Scholarship Fund** – Provides post-secondary scholarships for graduating seniors from Appleton West, East and North high schools.

**Dave Hussey Memorial Scholarship Fund** – Provides a scholarship to a graduating high school senior, rotating annually among Appleton East, West and North high schools.

**Donald and Vivian Huth Family Scholarship Fund** – Provides post-secondary scholarships to graduating seniors from Appleton West and East high schools.

**Kaleidoscope Academy Endowment Fund** – Supports curriculum and instruction to address the mission of Kaleidoscope Academy Charter School, including staff development, curriculum development, technology and equipment.

**Ellen Kort Dreamcatcher Scholarship Fund** – Provides post-secondary scholarships to graduating seniors from Appleton public high schools.

**Ellen Kort Endowment Fund** – Enhances education in our community, especially through the media of poetry and writing.

**Dianne Catlin Lang Fund for Empowering Girls through STEM and Leadership Development** – Provides opportunities for elementary-age girls in the Appleton Area School District to learn STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) skills and/or to develop leadership skills.

**Erik J. Lang North High Business Education Fund** – Supports Appleton North High School students who need financial assistance to attend local, regional, and national business-related learning opportunities, such as DECA events.

**Tom “Love all” Teachers Fund for McKinley Elementary School** – Supports teacher-driven ideas to enhance the educational experience for students at McKinley Elementary School.

**Betsy Melzer Endowment Fund** – Supports projects and programs that benefit students with exceptional educational needs.

**Tim Meyer Memorial Fund** – Provides equipment or other materials for the Technical Education Department at Appleton West High School.
Michal Michiels Memorial Scholarship Fund – Provides post-secondary scholarships to graduating seniors from Appleton West and East high schools, and students who are home-schooled and reside within the boundaries of the Appleton Area School District.

John Mielke and Sally Morey Mielke Education Fund – Supports early childhood-related projects and programs, with special consideration for collaborative efforts to enhance learning in the early years (birth to third grade).

Mile of Music Fund – Established to support teacher-driven ideas to enhance musical opportunities for Appleton Area School District students.

Ann Moe Art Appreciation Fund – Supports Appleton Area School District elementary students by funding projects and programs involving the visual arts.

NEW Apple Corps Robotics Team Fund – Supports needs of the district’s robotics team, including materials or equipment for building robots, and other team-related expenses.

Appleton North Theatre Improvement Fund – Supports improvements to the Appleton North High School theatre, including materials, equipment, and enhancements to the physical space.

Opportunity Fund – Supports the overall ability of the Appleton Education Foundation to do its work in managing charitable funds, assisting with grant requests, and fulfilling other administrative and development functions.

Joe Perez Memorial Scholarship Fund – Provides post-secondary scholarships to graduating seniors from Appleton East High School.

Connie Pitt Memorial Endowment Fund – Supports projects that benefit Appleton Area School District children who have special needs.

Hazel Pope-Franklin School Fund – Supports student activities and/or student instruction at Franklin Elementary School.

“Reading is a Gift” Fund – Supports a book give-away program for students at Horizons, Highlands, Columbus, and Dunlap elementary schools, so that each student, regardless of income, receives one new book each year.

Renaissance School for the Arts Endowment Fund – Enhances the educational experience for students at Renaissance School for the Arts.

Albert & Mary Rhoades Fund for A-Tech – Enhances the educational experience for students attending Appleton Technical Academy.

Albert & Mary Rhoades Scholarship Fund for A-Tech – Provides post-secondary scholarships for Appleton Technical Academy graduates.

SAACC Endowment Fund – Supports the education and training of AASD student or coach participants in co-curricular activities.

Scheuerman Family Fund – Supports educational programs and projects initiated by teachers who are in their first three years of teaching in the Appleton Area School District.
**Tim Schroeder Memorial Scholarship Fund** – Provides post-secondary scholarships for graduating seniors from Appleton East High School.

**Thomas G. Scullen Leadership Award Fund** – Supports an annual award for an individual residing in the Fox Cities who is recognized for exceptional leadership in the field of education.

**Dan Spalding Academy Endowment Fund** – Supports enhancements of the educational experience for at-risk youth who attend the Dan Spalding Academy program.

**Marilyn Spieth Outdoor Classroom and Community Garden Fund** – Supports an amphitheater, outdoor classroom and garden space at Einstein Middle School.

**Forrest and Roberta Sprowl Fund** – Will support the Appleton Education Foundation’s unrestricted grantmaking, with special preference for projects or programs at Madison Middle School.

**Judy Steindorf Fund for UFRS** – Supports the Appleton Area School District’s United for Reading Success tutoring program.

**Jeanne Klatt Stilp Memorial Endowment Fund** – Enhances the educational experience for Appleton Area School District students by supporting projects and programs initiated by Library Media Support Specialists to help empower students to be effective users of ideas and information.

**Vira and Alan Stoner Education Fund** – Supports innovative learning opportunities for AASD students, with preference for middle and high school levels.

**Talented & Gifted Fund** – Supports special needs of the TAG program.

**Teacher Idea Exchange Fund** – Supports Appleton’s public and parochial school teachers sharing best practice ideas with one another.

**Tesla Engineering Education Fund** – Supports equipment and materials for programs and projects that enhance the educational experience for students attending Tesla Engineering Charter School.

**James Thaldorf Music Scholarship Fund** – Will support post-secondary scholarships for graduating seniors from Appleton North High School.

**Stan and Phyllis Thatcher Family Fund for STEM** – Supports innovative learning opportunities for Appleton Area School District students, especially at the elementary and middle levels, to spark students’ interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) classes and fields.

**United for Success Reading Tutor Fund** – Used to fund efforts of volunteer reading tutors in Appleton Area School District elementary schools.

**Valley New School Fund** – Provides general support for the programs of the Valley New School Charter School.

**Valley New School Scholarship Fund** – Supports post-secondary scholarships for graduating seniors from Valley New School.
WCA Thomas Scullen Memorial Scholarship Fund – Provides scholarships for Wisconsin Connections Academy Charter School graduates who attended an accredited high school and plan to pursue a degree at an accredited university, technical college or trade school.

Appleton West-Addition to Tradition Fund – Established with an initial gift from the West High School Terror Backers to support athletic facilities improvements at Appleton West High School.

AWHS Class of 1941 Fund – Supports creative projects and programs for the benefit of students at Appleton West High School.

Appleton West High School Endowment Fund – Supports projects that benefit Appleton West High School.

Appleton West High School Historical Fund – Supports the study of events of American history leading up to WWII, WWII itself, and the aftermath of WWII on our world.

West High School Launch Studio Fund – Supports the furnishings, technology, and programming needs of the Launch Studio at Appleton West High School.

Brad Wiese Family Fund for Literary Arts – Supports programs and projects that enhance the literary arts for students attending Madison Middle School.

Wilson Middle School Endowment Fund – Supports educational enhancements for students at Wilson Middle School.

Winagamie Golf Course Mielke Memorial Fund – Supports the Appleton Education Foundation’s grant making and operational needs.