



Our mission:
To provide innovative and creative programs, equipment and opportunities that otherwise would not be available to the students of Stillwater Public Schools.

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From the Executive Director

It seems that time moves faster every year and amazingly we find ourselves already at the half-way point of another school year! As 2017 comes to a close, we are again so grateful for all the tremendous support we receive from both individuals and businesses in the community! All the donations we've received throughout the year have helped SPEF to make a difference for teachers & students in Stillwater Public Schools! Whether you contributed money, food or auction items, or purchased tickets to one of our fundraisers, your generosity is what allows SPEF to fill some of the gap in school funding and provide both extras and sometimes even necessities to classrooms across our district!

Thank you for being a friend of the foundation! The SPEF Board of Trustees and I appreciate your support so very much!

Jenifer Bartley
SPEF Executive Director



2017 T2T Campaign wraps up Dec. 31!

SPEF is again raising funds to increase technology throughout Stillwater Public Schools! Our 2017 Tech 2 Teach fundraising efforts kicked off at our fall fundraiser on Sept. 19 and will go towards the purchase of iPads for early education grades at all six elementary schools in our district. Donations are tax-deductible and any contribution to SPEF earmarked for T2T will go directly to the purchase of technology to benefit SPS students & teachers.

Since the Tech 2 Teach campaign first launched in 2013, it has funded more than \$200,000 in classroom technology that otherwise, our district would have gone without. SPEF is contributing \$15,000 to this year's campaign and our goal is raise another \$15,000 from our generous donors, so we'll have \$30K or perhaps even more to purchase iPads! Please consider making a donation before the end of this calendar year to make a difference for both students & teachers!

[Donate to Tech 2 Teach by 12/31](#)

**SPEF awards \$7,000
in teacher grants during
the fall semester!**

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Powerful Peers - 2017

For the 2nd year in a row at the district's annual Back to School Meeting in August, SPEF announced the winners of our teacher recognition award - Powerful Peers! Teachers are nominated by fellow teachers for the positive way they inspire, support & mentor their teaching co-workers. Five recipients were selected and each received \$100 from SPEF!



2017 Powerful Peers award winners, pictured left to right were:

- Jason Carley, Social Studies teacher, Stillwater High School
- Sara Nichols, 7th Grade Science teacher, Stillwater Middle School
- Susie Masters, Library Media

Grant Title: On the Ball

School Site: Richmond Elementary

Grant Writer: Kelly Worthy

Amount: \$655

Provides six BOSU balls for the PE program. These multi-purpose balls are used to work on balance, strength and flexibility. 500+ PreK-5th grade students will benefit.



Grant Title: Let Your Voice Be Heard

School Site: Stillwater High School

Grant Writer: Sue Ann Hoffman

Amount: \$725

Provides ten Snowball Microphones for use in Multimedia and Advanced Multimedia courses. The microphones will allow students to add audio and voice over components to a variety of projects, including a video that gives new students an overview of the high school.



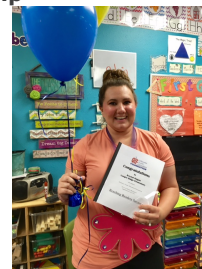
Grant Title: Reaching Readers Revamp

School Site: Sangre Ridge Elementary

Grant Writer: Krystal Hagan

Amount: \$300

Provides four LeapFrog LeapStart systems (includes headphones & books) for use in 1st grade. The LeapStart systems will allow struggling readers to identify words, practice phonics skills and listen to reading independently during one of six literacy centers.



Grant Title: Brain Builders

School Site: Sangre Ridge Elementary

Grant Writer: Hannah Jacobs

Amount: \$725

Provides hands-on manipulatives and activities for an extension of math, science and engineering concepts taught to 3rd graders. Almost 100 students per year will benefit through problem solving challenges that can be worked independently or with a partner.



Grant Title: Layers-Unique Layered Paintings on Canvas

School Site: Stillwater Junior High

Grant Writer: Susan Yeager

Amount: \$480

Provides materials for Art and Pre-AP Art students to create a unique layered project on canvas, with a variety of mediums. Reusable tools and resources allow the project to be repeated and expanded in future years.



Specialist, Richmond Elementary
• Tanner Nipper, Agricultural Education
Instructor, Stillwater High School
• Selena Underwood, Special Education
Teacher, Stillwater Middle School

ONE Gas Foundation Grant

SPEF received a \$2,500 grant from Oklahoma Natural Gas, a division of ONE Gas, through their foundation! These funds are designated for a project that will allow 3rd graders across the district to dissect owl pellets. Students will run experiments to learn about the birds' overall health, eating habits and the environmental impact on their food sources. This project is part of Stillwater Public Schools' 3rd grade science curriculum. Thank you so much for this generous contribution!



Pictured are SPEF Executive Director Jennifer Bartley and Oklahoma Natural Gas Community Relations Manager Chris Phillips

Taste of Stillwater

SAVE THE DATE!

Tuesday, March 13, 2018
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Payne County Expo Center

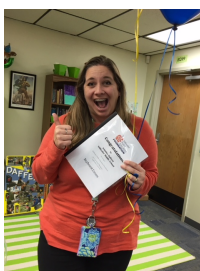


Grant Title: Bluetooth Speaker
School Site: Westwood Elementary
Pre-K @ Golden Oaks
Grant Writer: Mary Beth Talley
Amount: \$230

Provides a portable speaker to allow flexibility in sharing music and stories with students.

Grant Title: Sensing to Learn
School Site: Will Rogers Elementary
Grant Writer: Larin Davis
Amount: \$225

Provides a variety of sensory-based tools for use in the Special Education Resource Room. The tools will allow students to satisfy their varying sensory needs while continuing to learn.

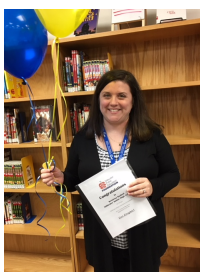


Grant Title: Keyboard Covers
School Site: Stillwater Middle School
Grant Writer: Jennifer Daffern
Amount: \$480

Provides a class set of 32 keyboard trainers. These covers assist students in learning to keyboard by touch. 150+ 6th and 7th grade students will benefit.

Grant Title: To Kill a Mockingbird
School Site: Stillwater High School
Grant Writer: Josh Taylor
Amount: \$475

Provides 70 copies of Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird*. The novel is read by all Stillwater High School students during English III, their junior year. Around 180-200 students per year will benefit.



Grant Title: Get Graphic!
School Site: Stillwater Junior High
Grant Writer: Kristena Rudloff
Amount: \$500

Provides funding for the Junior High to continue to expand their graphic novels collection in the library. The list of titles provides a range of reading levels and topics of interest. The library services more than 850 students.

Grant Title: Math Stations for Collaboration
School Site: Highland Park Elementary
Grant Writer: Leah Silver
Amount: \$420

Provides puzzles, manipulatives, games, etc. to support 3rd grade math curriculum through math stations, where a variety of mathematical concepts will be taught and reinforced. Almost 100 students per year will benefit.



Highlighting food showcased & donated by Stillwater area restaurants, Taste of Stillwater gives ticket holders a chance to sample and discover the best of Stillwater cuisine. The family-oriented event features an all-you-can-eat buffet that is sure to please everyone. More than 30 restaurants traditionally participate in the event and over 1,000 people usually attend! Proceeds help fund SPEF grants & programs. 2018 will be our 21st annual Taste of Stillwater event!

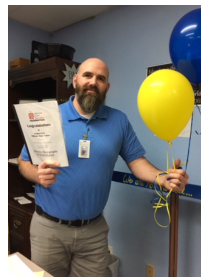
Contact us now if you are with a restaurant that would like to participate! Tickets will go on sale in mid-late February!

Charlie P. Hall Band Fund

SPEF's Charlie P. Hall Band Fund provides \$250 each year for equipment or materials to benefit the Stillwater Junior High Band dept! This year, funds purchased a variety of mallets and other percussion items.



Charles P. Hall was a former Junior High band director who has passed away in 2004. He taught instrumental music in SPS for 25 years and positively influenced many young people. Through this endowment, the band program can purchase needed equipment, music, etc., and continue to benefit from Hall's legacy.

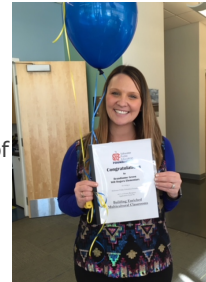


Grant Title: Imperative Monographs
School Site: Stillwater High School
Grant Writer: Joshua Haar
Amount: \$750

Provides reading materials (33 copies of two non-fiction titles) to use for World History instruction to 10th grade students. Will be used with 150+ students per year.

Grant Title: Building Enriched Multicultural Classrooms
School Site: Will Rogers Elementary
Grant Writer: Brandianne Green
Amount: \$610

Provides learning games and class sets of books written in both Spanish and English. Will reach more than 100+ English Language Learners in the school in PK-5th grade.



Grant Title: Playtime for Everyone
School Site: Will Rogers Elementary
Grant Writer: Kimberly Everett
Amount: \$420

Provides hands-on learning activities for learning about life skills through play. Pre-K students will improve their academic skills as well as social, emotional, sensory, fine motor, and gross motor skills.



Celebration of Excellence

We celebrated and it was a huge success! Our fall fundraiser raised approximately \$32,000! Thank you to all who attended, donated or supported the 2017 Celebration of Excellence! We appreciate you!



Thank you to the following for their support of Celebration of Excellence on 9/19/17!

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We are thrilled to welcome the following individuals to the SPEF Board of Trustees as of Fall 2017! Thank you for serving & joining our team!

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Tommy Shreffler

Caryl Talley

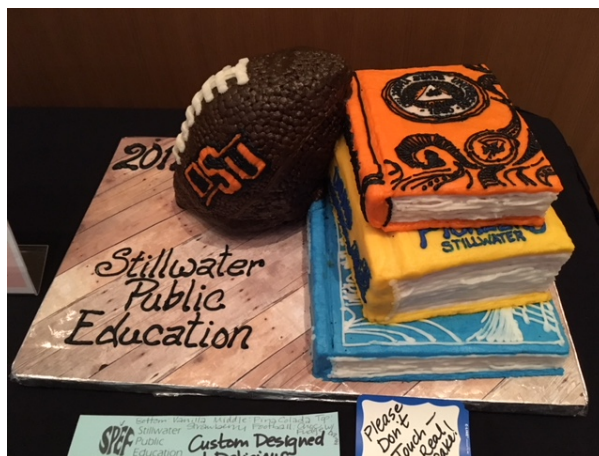
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Happy Holidays!

Wishing you and yours a relaxing & safe holiday season and a wonderful new year! Thank you again for supporting the students & teachers of Stillwater Public Schools through your generous contributions to SPEF during 2017!



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Custom cake auctioned at event.
Designed by One of a Kind Cakes!

**Save the date for Celebration
of Excellence 2018
Tuesday, September 25**

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