



Kansas City Public Schools  
**EDUCATION FOUNDATION**



**REIMAGINE**  
*the possible*  
**2021 ANNUAL REPORT**





# *Building a stronger Kansas City one public school classroom at a time.*

We believe a thriving city depends on a successful public education system that relies on three things: motivated students, caring adults, and an engaged community. We bring those three strands together to weave a dedicated and trustworthy network of public school support.

We honor the diversity of our community with equitable distribution of resources, align with our district's goals, and make a measurable impact at the classroom level. Together, we close the funding gaps that keep our students, teachers, and entire city from reaching their full potential.

Thank you.

*“Knowledge is power.  
Information is liberating.  
Education is the premise of  
progress in every society, in  
every family.” Kofi Annan*

# *A Message from our Executive Director*

Dear Foundation supporters,

First, and most importantly, thank you for supporting The KCPS Education Foundation. Whether you do so by giving financially, volunteering your time, advocating on behalf of a student, or simply visiting our website – we are grateful.

I am so proud to be the Executive Director of YOUR Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation. This is more than a job for me. Every day I get the joy of waking up, going into the office and figuring out new and improved ways we can – together – make our schools even more exceptional. I get to spend my days working to ensure our schools have everything they need to provide the most innovative and well-rounded education for our kids.

As I look back at our successes, I am overwhelmed by the potential of our students to ensure a world-class future for our community. I know that young people from even the most challenging backgrounds can accomplish great things if given the right opportunities. By providing such opportunities, we're creating life-changing experiences.

The success stories, the impact, the smiles you see throughout our district keep us all motivated to continue this important work on behalf of students in Kansas City Public Schools.

Warm regards,

*Nicole Collier White*

Nicole Collier White



# Programs That Work

We think KCPS students should have the same innovative educational enrichment opportunities available at other schools. So we do a lot to make sure that happens. Here's more about our top programs.

## Education Support Programs

**AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination):** A college readiness program designed to help students develop the skills they need to be successful in college. The program places special emphasis on growing writing, critical thinking, teamwork, organization and reading skills. In 2021, AVID completed its 40th year in supporting students and teachers. AVID has developed the AVID Elective course. For one period a day, students receive the additional academic, social, and emotional support that will help them succeed in their school's most rigorous courses.

About 75% of AVID students are from a low socioeconomic status background, and 80% are underrepresented students. **Nevertheless, they outperform their peers in crucial metrics nationwide.**

**Middle College:** A program for students looking for an unconventional path for high school graduation and a college education. The partnership between KCPS, Full Employment Council and MCC-Penn Valley Community College offers students a blended learning instructional model that utilizes Gradpoint online coursework and direct instruction to provide students the necessary support needed for academic success. This program incorporates the high standards of a college environment while providing a safe and supportive community.

- KCPS and MCC-Penn Valley Campus will work to build skills in preparation for the High School Equivalency Test (HiSET) exam and future post-secondary options. After a student passes the HiSET they can enroll in MCC-Penn Valley for a 2-year degree program or attend a technical school tuition-free.
- The Full Employment Council (FEC) will provide support services to help students complete the academic portion of the Middle College program. The organization will also assist students with job placement after graduation. This program is for students 17-24 years old who dropped out of the KCPS system.

*KCPS is ethnically, culturally and linguistically diverse, with students speaking more than 50 languages from around the globe.*

*Regardless of their life circumstances, the district wants all students to overcome obstacles and achieve success. We must begin to provide programming focused on equity, which understands the profile of our students and is willing to close the opportunity gap.*



# Impact Programs

## Instructional Grants

Instructional Grants empower KCPS educators to bring to life education-related passion projects that impact learning across academic disciplines. Each year, the Foundation aims to award \$20,000+ for activities that typically fall outside the district operating budget.



*“One child, one teacher, one book, and one pen can change the world.”*  
Malala Yousafzai



## Teacher of the Year

Each year, KCPS recognizes the best of Team KCPS during the Teacher of the Year celebration. School nominates one teacher for consideration, and the Foundation provides a personal trophy, a traveling trophy for the teacher's school, and \$5,000. Runners-up receive a trophy and \$1,000 classroom grant.

## SummerFest

SummerFest is the annual back-to-school event through which community partners, local companies and volunteers donate time and dollars to help KCPS students get ready for the start of school. Attendees receive backpacks, uniforms, free lunch, immunizations, sports physicals and more.



# What You've Made Possible

*motivated students*

## Since 2016: \$1.4 million in support

*AVID: \$634,719*

- 300+ students enrolled
- 12 Schools: 8 Secondary, 1 Combined, 3 Elementary

*Reading Interventionists: \$450,000*

- 86 hrs literacy training for 6 interventionists
- 12 hrs literacy training for 110 K-2 teachers

*Middle College Program: \$240,000*

- Support 1 full-time teacher salary for three years

*Restorative Justice Program: \$80,000*

- Trainings, program support, and travel

## 2021-2022:

*\$578,772*


- AVID, Middle College, Restorative Justice

## Since 2016:

 *Instructional Grants*

- \$175,000
- 175 classroom grants

 *Three downtown apartments*  
2 year leases

 *Teacher of the Year (5 years)*  
\$35,000 in gifts and prizes

## 2021-2022:

 *Instructional Grants*

- \$50,000
- 33 classroom grants

 *One downtown apartment*  
2 year leases

 *One Teacher of the Year*  
\$5,000

*caring adults*

*engaged community*

## Since 2016:

 *Summerfest*

- 34,000 backpacks and school supply kits
- 1000+ hygiene kits
- 500+ sports physicals
- Countless health screenings and immunizations



*KCP&EF Direct Program Funds to KCP&S since 2016*

- FY 2016: \$60,000
- FY 2017: \$47,640
- FY 2018: \$651,221
- FY 2019-2020: \$420,675.50
- FY 2020-2021: \$778,340
- FY 2021-2022: \$826,554

**TOTAL: \$2,784,430.00**



*Summerfest*

- 4500 attendees
- 6,000 backpacks/school supplies distributed
- 5+ health partners, donors, in-kind sponsors
- 105+ sports physicals exams
- 50 COVID-19 vaccinations
- 30+ immunizations
- 40+ hearing and vision screenings

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Account #	Account Name	Amount
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
40010	Payroll Deduction	\$15,729.95
40030	General Donations	\$201,603.49
40070	Pass Through Contributions	\$679,794.95
42010	Annual Breakfast	\$94,564.42
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$991,692.81</b>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
61000	Grants - Pass Through	\$513,841.03
61014	Pass Through - Restricted/ Ongoing Grants	\$289,833.03
63000	Grants - KCPSEF Impact Programs	\$22,880.89
70000	Fundraising	\$12,644.69
82000	Professional Fees	\$4,790.00
82500	Advertising & Promotion	\$25,499.60
84000	Information Technology	\$320.00
86000	Travel	\$20.58
86500	Conf., Conv., Meetings	\$17.93
89000	Bank/Online Fees	\$6,977.07
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$876,824.82</b>
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>		<b>\$114,867.99</b>

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