

# ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021





# Lasting impacts make great futures possible.

We are proud to share with you our 2020-2021 Annual Report, which showcases the impact of your generosity and collective commitment to advance educational excellence in the Williamsport Area School District.

While the 2020-2021 school year presented unique challenges in navigating the COVID-19 pandemic, the foundation remained dedicated to the trusted stewardship of our loyal donors and community partners. As a result of your commitment to enhance educational programs and student opportunities, we awarded \$373,689 in grants and scholarships benefiting over 2,600 students.



As we look to the future, we are inspired by supporters like you who continue to think of endless possibilities and build promising opportunities for WASD students.



Sincerely,

Dr. Brooke Beiter President

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Gregory L. Hayes, Jr. Executive Director



Dr. Brooke Beiter



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## **OPENING OPPORTUNITY**

Williamsport Area High School graduate **Shaheem Hill '21** hopes to make his life and the lives of people around him better.

A first-generation college student, Hill now attends Bloomsburg University, where he's majoring in business management and minoring in philosophy, thanks, in part, to financial assistance provided through the foundation's scholarship program.

Scholarships provided through the education foundation allow donors to provide and connect graduating WAHS students to powerful resources and opportunities.

In 2019, alumnus **Jim Sullivan '70** and his wife, Annette, did just that by endowing the Sullivan Family First-Generation Collegian Scholarship Fund.

The scholarship was created to assist firstgeneration college students who have a financial need and who agree to participate in a mentorship program throughout his or her college tenure.

Hill is the first recipient of the scholarship. "Going to college is rare in my family," Hill said. "The amount of money in this

scholarship is a huge help to the tuition."

While at WAHS, he was a state-ranking member of the cross-country and track team, and Petros Club.

"What I liked most about WAHS is the teachers are willing to help their students for their future success," he said.

Hill plans to pursue a career in human resource management.

A first-generation college attendee himself, Sullivan, now a resident of Appleton, Wisconsin, and CEO and founder of Sullivision.com, understands that families are usually positively transformed when a high school graduate pursues higher education.

"The Sullivan family hopes that by establishing this scholarship we will be able to help deserving Williamsport students and families improve both their future and our communities," Sullivan said in 2019.

"Without the scholarships and aid I received, there would be no other money to pay for my tuition," Hill said. "I'm extremely grateful to have this opportunity, which helps me get through my next chapter in life."

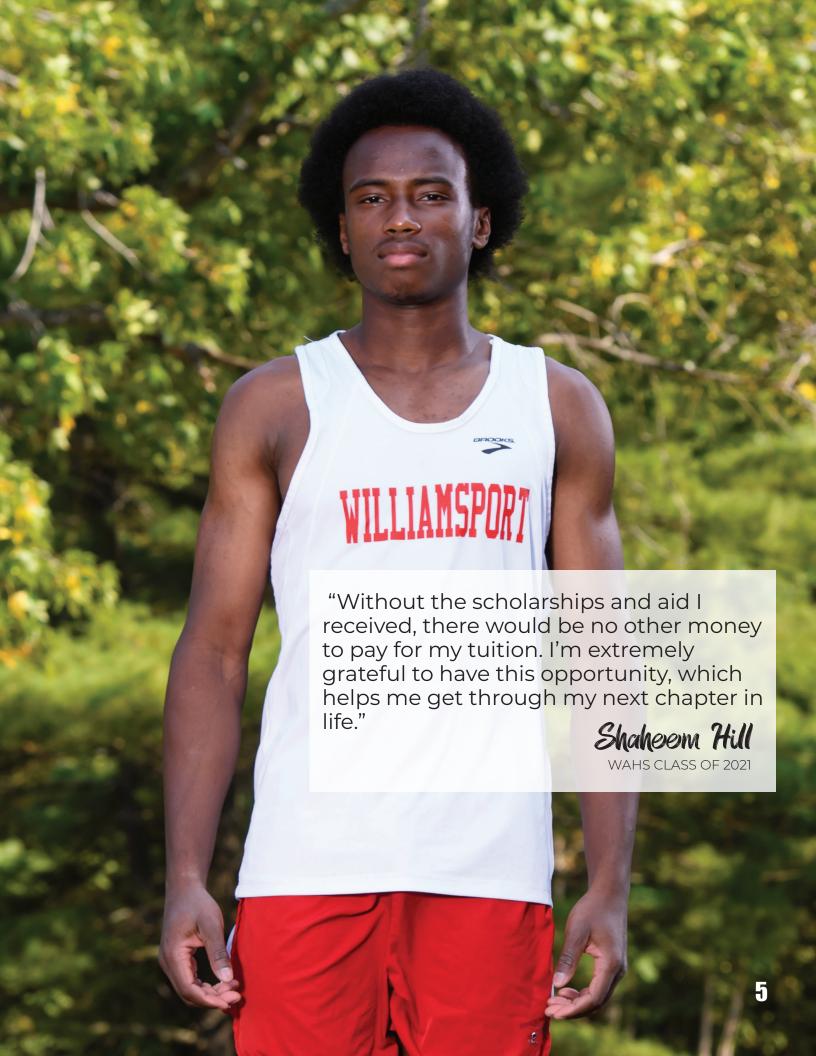
# Scholarships promote positive paths forward.

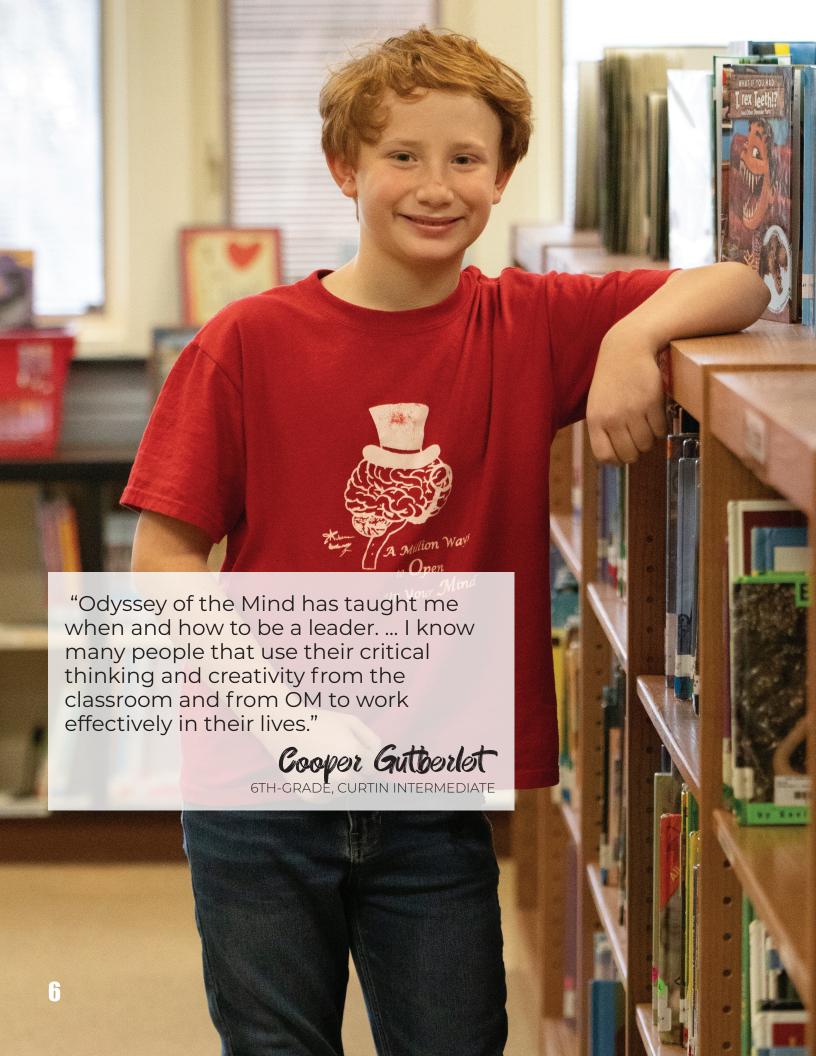
The scholarship program at the foundation gives donors and organizations the opportunity to continue their legacy while granting eligible graduating WAHS students the chance to advance their education.

In 2021, \$69,925 was awarded from among 150 scholarship, award and prize funds to 84 students.

Each fund has specific award criteria established by the gifting donor. The selection and application process is conducted through the high school's guidance office.







## **LEADERSHIP QUALITIES**

WASDEF has

provided more

programs over

At just 12 years old, it could be said that Cooper Gutberlet is an Odyssey of the Mind (OM) veteran.

The Curtin Intermediate School student cut his teeth on OM by watching his older

brother, Max, compete in the international program that blends intellectualism, creativity and teamwork.

According to its website, "OM brings the classroom than \$200,000 to life as students apply to support arts what they learn and combine it with their the last decade. interests and passions to solve ... unique open-ended problems. ... (It) also emphasizes teamwork, budgeting, time management, public speaking, and so much more."

"I've been competing since kindergarten," Gutberlet said. "I believe it's really important for kids to have these open and creative minds, and that is what OM creates."

Gutberlet has helped propel WASD teams

to coveted spots at the World Finals for the last seven consecutive years. Last spring, two of the Curtin teams placed in the top 10.

Since 2015, WASDEF has collectively granted \$37,073 to the program from a

combination of gifts received from the community, area businesses and its Annual Fund.

> The program has impressed upon Gutberlet leadership and lifelong skills that he believes he will use the rest of his life.

"Odyssey of the Mind has taught me when and how to be a leader," Gutberlet said. "(The World Finals) experience specifically has also improved my ability to be a

leader. This is where the big dogs come to play, and everyone feels the most pressure that they have felt all year.

"I know many people that use the critical thinking and creativity from the classroom and from OM to work effectively in their daily lives," he added. "I will always use all the different sides I display in OM in my lifetime."

## Added opportunities in the arts give students a competitive edge.

The arts are critical to learning, and each year every student is exposed to the creative opportunities provided through the district's visual and performing arts

Over the last decade, WASDEF helped facilitate or directly provide more than \$200,000 in funding to support enhancements made to these programs.

Last year, WASD once again was recognized as an Outstanding Visual Arts Community and one of the nation's Best Communities for Music Education for the quality of its programs.



## LIFELONG LEARNING

When third-grade teachers Brooke Nenadal and Stacy Holt identified the need for more chapter books at Cochran Primary School, they wanted to make a conscious effort to be sure the books would not only align to the

reading curriculum but also would more strongly represent the world in which students live.

A \$1,750 grant from the education foundation funded the teachers' request last spring to support the purchase of about 40 chapter books that range from second- to fourth-grade reading levels.

The selection of books was carefully curated to represent the many backgrounds and abilities of those who populate the world so that students are further exposed to a more multicultural education

The content of the books both support and enrich the learning that already takes place in the district's Wonders curriculum

"As an educator, it's become increasingly important to me that we provide our students with a range of diverse texts that reflect both the experiences that they have and those of students and people who may or may not be like them." Nenadal said.

"We selected a range of books allowing students an opportunity to see a mirror of themselves, and differences they may not always have the opportunity to read about." she added.

The teachers use the students' reading time to have them work in shared reading centers so that they can discuss, write and reflect about what they

are reading.

"This grant isn't about pushing any particular idea," Nenadal said. "It's about exposure and learning about all the different people in our world and what makes them interesting while honoring our own experiences, as well as the experiences of others."

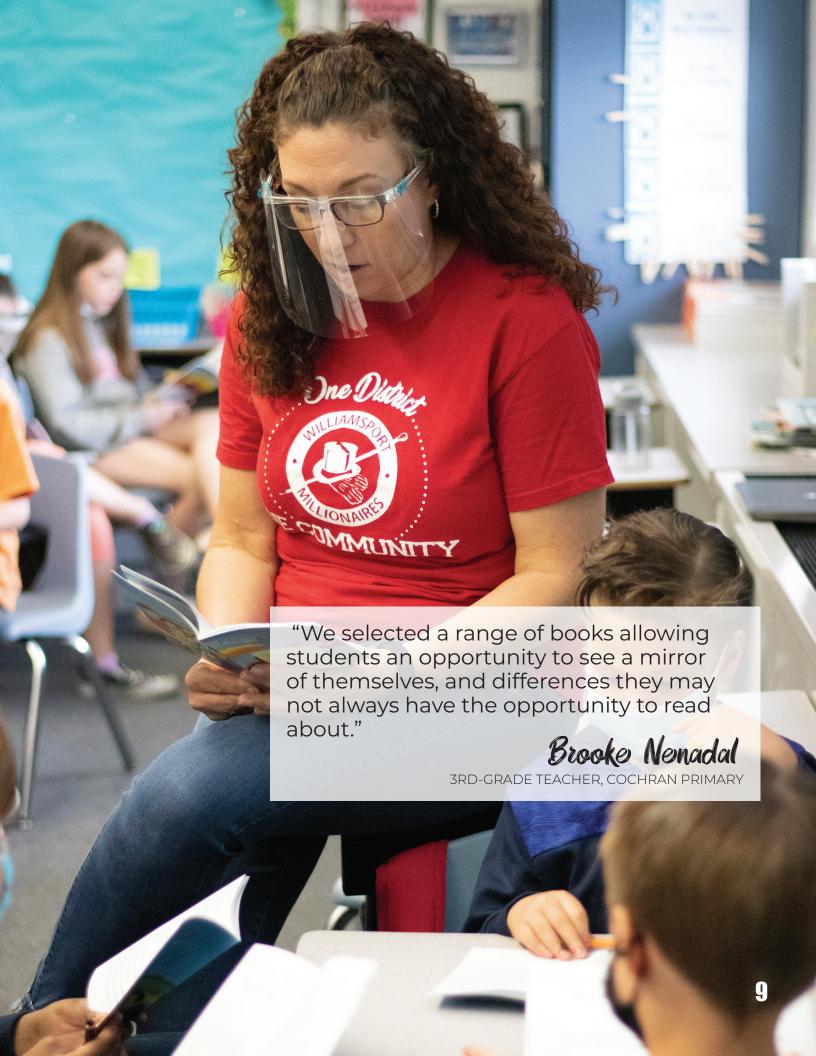
# Annual celebration honors top 5 percent of graduating seniors.

It was the return of the annual Top Hat Dinner.

WASDEF provides \$1,000 to the high school's guidance department each year to host the event that celebrates those ranked in the top 5 percent of the senior class.

The seventh annual event was held at the Genetti Hotel in May during which 17 seniors were honored for their academic excellence, as well as their selected faculty honorees who influenced and inspired that success.







## **VALUABLE SKILLS**

Having a television production studio is a large benefit to the students at Williamsport Area Middle School — particularly for those students who run it.

Not only is it a unique space for the middle school but it's also a hub of hands-on skill development for students interested in finding a career path from among its range of production responsibilities: filming, editing, writing and broadcasting — to name a few.

Teacher and WAMS TV
Studio Club Advisor Bob
Rook secured a \$3,078 grant
from WASDEF to replace the
nearly decade-old equipment and
expand the studio's functionality and
capabilities. An additional \$2,700 was received
from the First Community Foundation
Partnership of Pennsylvania through
donations received from C&N, First National
Bank of PA, M&T Bank, UPMC Health Plan and
Woodlands Bank as part of the Educational

Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program (see page 23 for more on EITC funding).

The grants were used to purchase new iMacs, editing software and new equipment — such as cameras — to allow for greater mobility in filming and interviewing around the building.

"We want to provide top-of-the-line opportunities that give our students the competitive edge needed as they move up and enter a more technical and connected world," Rook said. "Providing access to a space where they can learn on the latest technology that interests them will allow students to develop or refine the foundational skills needed should they wish to pursue a career in a related industry."

The fundamental skills gained in the middle school space provide students with an advantage should they wish to further develop and broaden their skill set at the high school's TV studio.

# Your donations help to enhance and inspire student learning.

When making a gift to the education foundation, your contribution helps to support enhancements to district programs or fund sustainable new opportunities.

The foundation's board of directors carefully reviews and selects projects and programs to fund following an internal review process to ensure what we're supporting aligns directly with the goals and mission of the district.

Since 2004, we're proud to have provided several million dollars for new opportunities and experiences for students that have inspired new passions or, in some cases, changed lives.



## BUILDING COMMUNITY

It took a community to make a dream come true.

The dream of building an inclusive community playground for all kids of all abilities and backgrounds began in 2015.

The effort soon got under way, initiated and led by the Kiwanis Club of Williamsport, which later secured partnerships with the local Rotary Club and the Williamsport Area School District Education Foundation to accelerate the creation of such a space.

Fundraising and site plans developed to build a playground that would blend traditional equipment with those that featured accessible ramps for wheelchairs



and other assistive devices providing access to all levels and areas of the site.

The playground also would include equipment and structures that promote and encourage cognitive and imaginative play, and instrumental activities.

In 2018, fundraising began, and over the next three years, \$504,465 was raised to bring that dream to realization.

In June 2021, ground broke at Cochran Primary School, and the Kids United Community Playground was built — a nearly 10,000-square-foot play area for all children in the Williamsport community.

"This is a tremendous gift to our district for our students and children in the community," said Superintendent Dr. Timothy S. Bowers. "We're very thankful for the time and effort the committee has put in to make this playground a reality and for the many generous donations given to support it. We're honored that one of our schools is a site for an exciting new playground that all kids of all abilities can enjoy."

# Partnerships help strengthen and add value to the student experience.

For more than a decade, community partnerships have helped WASDEF succeed in its efforts to create powerful classrooms and inspire futures.

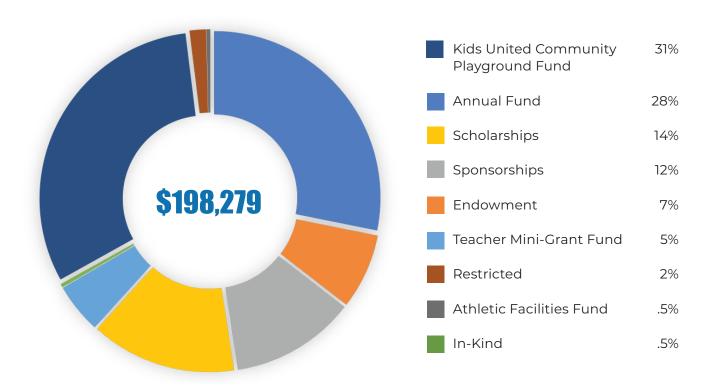
Whether WASDEF actively seeks or is sought out, millions of dollars have funneled through the foundation to help support and add value to the student experience.

Just since 2014 **nearly \$3 million from the foundation has supported capital projects** like the Kids United Community Playground and the community-led effort to renovate STA Stadium through the *Return to Glory* campaign.



#### **Financials:**

## **Revenue Summary**



## **2020-2021 | By the Numbers**

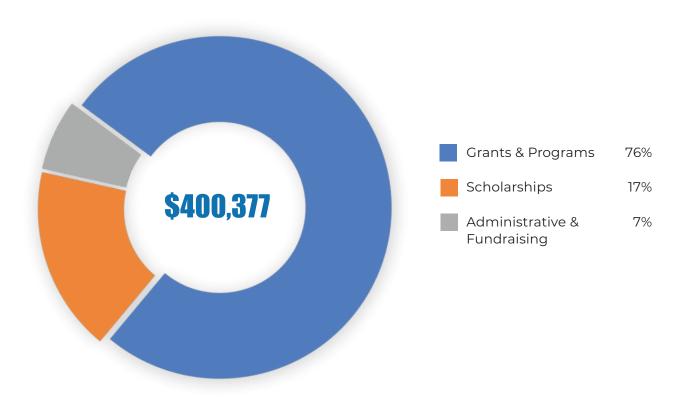
INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES & CORPORATIONS CONTRIBUTED 644

DONATIONS
TO SUPPORT
DISTRICT
PROGRAMMING

SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES GRANTED TO 84 MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2021

#### **Financials:**

## **Expenses Summary**



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GRANTS MADE
DIRECTLY TO THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT BY
WASDEF TO SUPPORT
OR ENHANCE DISTRICT
PROGRAMMING

\$2.5M

WAS THE TOTAL
MARKET VALUE OF
WASDEF AT THE END
OF THE 2020-21
FISCAL YEAR

2,600+

TOTAL ESTIMATED STUDENTS WHO BENEFITTED FROM WASDEF FUNDING IN 2020-21



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The generosity of these donors, whose combined gifts total \$198,279 from 644 donations, allows us to provide support to an array of student programming and district needs.



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The Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program is administered by the state Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) under Act 48. Established in 2001, the program awards tax credits to businesses that make contributions to scholarship organizations and/or educational improvement organizations that are on a list approved and published by DCED.

EITC funds for WASD are held at and administered by the First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania (FCFP).

Since 2009, FCFP has awarded more than \$194,000 to WASD for venture or educator-in-residence programs.

### How do you direct your company's tax dollars to benefit WASD?

Apply to participate for one or two years to DCED. The tax credit is a 75-percent credit (against taxes owed). However, if a company provides a written two-year commitment of

equal funding, the credit becomes 90 percent.

Once approved, EITC contributions can be directed to benefit the district through the program at FCFP.

For more information, visit www.dced.pa.gov and search EITC, or contact the First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania at 570-321-1500.

#### **THANK YOU!**

In the 2020-21 school year, the district collectively received \$36,320 in EITC contributions through FCFP from the following businesses/corporations:









## **Planning Your Gift**

Donations to WASDEF make a difference for current and future WASD students and facilitate opportunities to learn and grow that are not otherwise possible. It is through the generosity of gifts like yours that our students are served by WASDEF. Below is a summary of the many ways a gift can be made or planned.

- · Outright Gift of Cash
- · Matching Gift
- · In-Kind Gift
- Outright Gift of Appreciated Securities
- · Bequest
- · Gift of Retirement Assets
- Gifts of Insurance Policy Proceeds

#### **Outright Gifts of Cash**

This is the most common method of providing a gift. A cash gift to WASDEF is taxdeductible. You may donate online through our website or send your donation to:

WASD Education Foundation 2780 West Fourth St. Williamsport, PA 17701

#### **Matching Gifts**

Does your company have a matching gift program? Many employers will match charitable contributions made by their employees. You could double or possibly triple your gift quickly and easily.

#### **In-Kind Gifts**

Contributions of goods or services to either WASDEF or WASD can provide an ideal opportunity for both the donor and the recipient.

### Bequests and Other Planned Gifts

Bequests are provisions in wills to leave a gift to WASDEF. Charitable bequests are fully deductible from the estate and can significantly reduce estate taxes on the balance of the estate. Bequests may be specified as a gift of cash or securities. Alternatively, they may take the form of a percentage of the total estate.

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The Williamsport Area School District Education Foundation is a recognized nonprofit affiliate of the Williamsport Area School District. Led by a 20-member volunteer board, the Foundation facilitates charitable giving and permanent legacies based on individual areas of interest in educational innovation, the arts, athletics and scholarships.

Since 2004, WASDEF has been supporting students and teachers across the district with the financial resources provided by donors. Over the last decade, WASDEF has both raised and allocated more than \$3 million to the district in support of capital projects, innovative programs and initiatives, and scholarships.





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