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## Foundation Awards \$56,754 in Grants

The 20th annual Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation, Inc.'s Education Grant Awards Program was held on May 9, 2012 at E.C. Glass High School. Forty-three educational grants were featured and Lynchburg City Schools' teachers and corporate sponsors were present to celebrate the success



and impact of these grants. The Foundation awarded \$56,754 in teacher grants for the 2011-2012 school year and has awarded more than \$329,000 in grant money to date. Grants have been used to implement a wide range of creative and innovative teaching methods, programs, and projects. The annual event provides an opportunity for grant recipients to showcase their project with other teachers, administrators, grant sponsors, school board members, and Foundation Trustees. The following grants were awarded for the 2011-2012 school year:

**The Babcock & Wilcox Company**  
*"Needed Physics Equipment at E.C. Glass High School"*  
E.C. Glass High School  
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*"Children's Book"*  
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Jon Roark, Lanaux Hailey

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*"Project Inclusion"*  
E.C. Glass High School  
Heather McCormick

**Wells Fargo Foundation and The Greater Lynchburg Community Trust-Faye Marcum Mifka Fund**  
*"Literacy Workstations-Practice with a Purpose"*  
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*"Be Fit, Don't Sit @ Fort Hill Community School"*  
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*"Kindergarten Travels to Letterland"*  
Bedford Hills Elementary School  
Lucinda Pickering, Nancy Campbell

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*"Leaping to Learning with Letterland"*  
Heritage Elementary School  
Courtney DiBrango, Vernessa Harvey, Tiffany Ellis, Julie Speck, Cynthia Abbott

**Piedmont Community Health Plan**  
*"VTS Transition Curriculum"*  
Heritage High School and  
E. C. Glass High School  
Jennifer Anderson, Amy Page

**AREVA**  
*"Jeopardy Review of 3rd Grade SOL Curriculum"*  
William Bass Elementary School  
Patti Reynolds

**The Babcock & Wilcox Company**  
*"With Just One Touch, You Can Read!"*  
Linkhorne Elementary School  
Karen Kohuth, Jennifer Lovett

Grant Recipients (continued on page 2)

## Message from the Executive Director

Thanks to the generous support of the Lynchburg community, the Foundation experienced another successful year with significant growth in many of our programs. We are indeed fortunate to live in a community that is committed to strong public education. With your support, we were able to increase our allocation of grant funding to teachers, increase our inventory for **Tools4Schools**, award scholarships, and recognize our seniors for academic success.

In addition to our 'signature' programs, the Foundation advocated for our schools by supporting the division's 'Get to Know Your Schools' open house and securing public support during the annual budget process. The Foundation was also able to step in where needed by bridging the financial gap for economically disadvantaged students registered in Dual Enrollment classes and presenting teachers at RS Payne with a \$2000 check to help them with immediate needs after significant water damage destroyed several classrooms.

Looking ahead to 2012-2013, the Education Foundation will launch our new logo which will give us an updated look. Our new logo will better reflect the ultimate goal of 'graduation' along with our desire to provide resources to not only support, but also advance, the Lynchburg City Schools.



In addition, our 'Teacher Grants' will now be called 'Classroom Innovation Grants' to better reflect the intention of this program. The goals and criteria are the same with just a more descriptive title.

The community's investment in our programs demonstrates the depths to which you value our teachers and students. It is an exciting time to be part of the Lynchburg school division. We hope you will continue to support the Foundation in our mission to support teachers and students as together we advance the Lynchburg City Schools.

Grant Recipients (continued from page 1)

### Genworth Financial

*"Product Production Program"*  
Linkhorne Middle School  
Patty Webb, Gigi Sweeny, Patty Dalton

### The Babcock & Wilcox Company

*"Hands On Nature"*  
Dunbar Middle School  
Thomas Foster, Kacey Anderson

### Lynchburg Nissan and LCS Education Foundation

*"Letterland"*  
Bedford Hills Elementary School  
April Roberts, Anna Karnes, Sarah Rowland

### R.R. Donnelley

*"The Time Travelers: Integrating Reading, Writing, and History"*  
Dunbar Middle School  
Gail Waller, Jennie Howell, Keith Bennett, Sue McClure

### Wiley|Wilson and LCS Education Foundation

*"Dressing Up Social Studies Communities Past and Present"*  
Perryont Elementary School  
Carla Hamilton, Kathy East, Candace Mercer

### Genworth Financial

*"Mobile Listening Makes Math Magical"*  
Perryont Elementary School  
Martha Pollard, Laura Putney, Annemarie Clingenpeel, Page Miller

### Hurt & Profitt and LCS Education Foundation

*"True Shoes: A Work in Progress"*  
E.C. Glass High School  
Patricia Worsham, Heather McCormick

### Walmart and The Education & Research Foundation

*"Reading Rocks—A Student Directed Reading Campaign"*  
Sandusky Middle School  
Terra Vance, Maria Jaeger, Ryan White, Connie Ellison

### The Babcock & Wilcox Company

*"Math for Students"*  
Linkhorne Elementary School  
Carrie Finney

### Genworth Financial

*"Many Faces, One School"*  
Bedford Hills Elementary School  
Janet Bates, Faye James

### R.M. Gantt Construction and LCS Education Foundation

*"Snack on a Good Book"*  
Sandusky Elementary School  
Malinda Morgan, McKinley Tucker, Staci Treadway, Cathy Straw

### Walmart

*"Searching for Clues in Science and Social Studies"*  
R. S. Payne Elementary School  
Sandy Halpin

### Benchmark Systems

*"C3 (C Cubed) Core Curriculum Centers"*  
Perryont Elementary School  
Linda Wyndham, Emily Morris

### Bank of the James and Anonymous

*"Bring Harriet Tubman to Lynchburg!"*  
Sandusky & Dunbar Middle Schools  
Connie Ellison, Meg Smith, Ryan White

### WSET-TV and George Rainsford Grant

*"A Picture is Worth A Thousand Words"*  
R.S. Payne Elementary School  
Abby Seay

### Lynchburg Economic Development Authority

*"Portfolios for Pre-Professionals"*  
E. C. Glass High School  
Allen Whitacre, Kim Hansen, Renee Stephens

### Dodson Pest Control

*"Off to a Write Start"*  
Linkhorne Elementary School  
Karen Mason, Marin Swienton, Jennifer Zuniga

### BB&T

*"Extreme Makeover Reading Edition"*  
Bedford Hills Elementary School  
Chelsey Dews, Gwyneth Tatum

### Lynchburg Retail Merchants Foundation

*"Memory Books"*  
Linkhorne Middle School  
Patricia Dalton, Patricia Webb

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Sandusky Middle School  
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Sandra Williams

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**Lynchburg Municipal Employees Federal Credit Union and LCS Education Foundation**  
*"VersaTiles for Math"*  
 Perrymont Elementary School  
 Ruth Oertle, Wendy Pugh,  
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**Generation Solutions and LCS Education Foundation**  
*"Where in the World are the Seven Continents"*  
 Bedford Hills & Heritage  
 Elementary Schools  
 Karen Camden

**Sylvan Learning of Lynchburg**  
*"Slide and Learn Phonics"*  
 Perrymont Elementary School  
 Chris Smith, Martha Clark,  
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**Central Virginia Federal Credit Union**  
*"Talk to the Hand Puppet"*  
 Linkhorne Elementary School  
 Barbara Reid

**Westover Dairy, Colonial Brokerage House, and Piedmont Community Health Plan**  
*"Leading Learners on the Path to Reading with Letterland"*  
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 Kelley Jacobs, Sarah Sitton

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*"First Grade Pizza Garden"*  
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*"A Taste of Afghanistan"*  
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**Banker Steel**  
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 Shamra Johnson, Gessi Wright,  
 Donna Rosser

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**First Year Donors:** Ace it!Tutoring-powered by Sylvan Learning, American National Bank, Benchmark Systems, Generation Solutions, Lynchburg Economic Development Authority, Presbyterian Home & Family Services, Virginia School Equipment, Walmart (Old Forest Road), Westover Dairy



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## 50th Anniversary of Integration in the Lynchburg City Schools

2012 marks the 50th Anniversary of the 1962 integration of Lynchburg City Schools. In commemoration of this historic period for our city, Lynchburg City Schools hosted Dr. Virgil Wood., educator and civil rights activist, to speak to our community. Dr. Wood has committed much of his life’s work to the struggle for economic development among the nation’s disadvantaged. His untiring work and the pivotal role he served in the integration of Lynchburg City Schools provided students with a unique opportunity to hear directly from an icon of living civil rights history. Dr. Wood’s influence in bringing Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to Lynchburg and leading Dr. King’s work via the Lynchburg Improvement Association helped lay the foundation for decades of student diversity within our classrooms. The Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation is proud to have had the opportunity to work with the school division and the Greater Lynchburg Community Trust to facilitate the necessary funding to bring Dr. Wood to our community and the programs created to mark this historic event.



## 300 Attend 6th Annual Breakfast with the Superintendent

The Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation, Inc. sponsored the 6th Annual Breakfast with Lynchburg City Schools Interim Superintendent, Dr. Larry Massie, on March 8, 2012, at Lynchburg College. Twenty-seven sponsors participated along with their table guests as well as local community, business and civic leaders, and school patrons. This year the program was entitled "Inviting Everyone to Celebrate and Strengthen Virginia's Public Schools." The annual breakfast program is hosted by the Foundation to provide an opportunity for the Superintendent to share information about the many accomplishments of the Lynchburg City Schools as well as educational challenges being addressed. Financial support for the program was provided through the generosity of the 'Breakfast with the Superintendent' sponsors and used to support Foundation programs and activities including teacher grants, the **Tools4Schools** Warehouse, and the Senior Honors Recognition dinner. We thank the following sponsors who ensured the success of this year's event. Lead Sponsors: BB&T, CENTRA, Fleet Laboratories, Piedmont Community Health Plan, Verizon. Table Sponsors: AREVA, Bank of the James, Candler Oil, Central Virginia Community College, Colonial Brokerage House, Drs. Tim Courville & Joy Hilliard, Dominion Seven Architects, The Education & Research Foundation, Genworth Financial/Elena Edwards, Genworth Financial/Legal & Compliance Departments, J.E. Jamerson & Sons, Lynchburg Academy of Medicine, Lynchburg City School Board, Lynchburg College, Ellen Nygaard & Judy Frantz, Rosel & Elliott Schewel, RR Donnelley, Scott Insurance, Westover Dairy, Wiley|Wilson, Wood & White Investment, WSET-TV.



## TMR and GLCT Scholarships Awarded

TMR (Technical Management Resources, Inc.) awarded \$1,000 scholarships to two recipients. Heritage High School graduate, Kintora Lee Chapman (pictured right-top with principal Dr. Mark Mear) will be attending Duke University where she will be majoring in biology and African & African American Studies. E.C. Glass High School graduate Diamond Pollard (pictured right-bottom with principal Mr. Kevin Latham) will be attending Johns Hopkins University this fall where she will be majoring in psychology and creative writing. This scholarship program was established by Ms. Linda Carr, President of TMR. Scholarships are awarded to African American students demonstrating outstanding merit, especially in the areas of leadership, scholastic achievement, and community involvement.



Greater Lynchburg Community Trust's Faye Marcum Mifka Fund awarded two \$500 scholarships to students who demonstrated outstanding merit, especially in the area of community service. E.C. Glass High School graduate Megan Harvey (pictured left-top with principal Mr. Kevin Latham) will be attending the University of Virginia this fall. Heritage High School graduate Asha Nithianandan (pictured left-bottom with Heritage High School principal Dr. Mark Mear) will be attending the University of Virginia where she will be majoring in biomedical engineering.



## 8th Annual Senior Honors Recognition Program



The 8th Annual Senior Honors Recognition program and dinner was held on May 16, 2012 to recognize thirty of Lynchburg City Schools' top academic (GPA) students. Fifteen E.C. Glass and fifteen Heritage High School students were honored. Also attending were parents/guardians, special teacher guests, school board members, Foundation trustees, school administrators, and representatives from Lynchburg's six local colleges and universities.

Kim Spraker, a Lynchburg City Schools graduate and currently an engineer at B&W, provided the keynote address with remarks to help prepare the students with what to expect as they face the next step of their education.

During the program each student was presented with a Certificate of Academic Excellence signed by the school superintendent and school board chairman. This year's event was supported by Central Virginia Community College, Liberty University, Lynchburg College, Randolph College, Sweet Briar College, and Virginia University of Lynchburg, with additional support provided by the Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation, Inc. Honorees were:

**E.C. Glass High School:** Isaac G. Alty, Lauren E. Barker, David E. Barney, Jr., Samantha Louise Casey, Calvin Hohung Chueh, Claire Etheridge, K. Adryan Flores, Megan Maria Harvey, MacKenzie A. Krebs, Graham Wade Martin, Ramsey Natour, Clay A. Oboth, Diamond Pollard, Victoria Sipos, and Scott Taylor

**Heritage High School:** Nick Comerford, Maya Gabrielle Hamlett, Kylee Hammersmith, Aejoon Hong, Soyun Kim, Derek Lin, Jeremy Mason, Thong Nguyen, Asha Nithianandan, Brandon Shane Norris, Mariah Safritt, Shari Sites, Harrison James Smith, Jennifer Smith, and Griffin Wade Spencer



## Welcome New Superintendent Dr. Scott S. Brabrand

The Foundation welcomes Lynchburg's new Superintendent, Dr. Scott S. Brabrand. Previously holding an Assistant Superintendent post in Fairfax County Public Schools, Dr. Brabrand served a highly successful tenure as principal at Fairfax High School from 2005 to 2009. Under his leadership, Fairfax High School increased enrollment in advanced courses and reduced the achievement gap. Dr. Brabrand comes to Lynchburg with energy and a strong vision for the division's future. He understands the importance of a strong relationship between the school division and the business community, and the Education Foundation is very excited to be working with Dr. Brabrand as we continue to develop division support. On June 27th, the Education Foundation partnered with Partners in Education, The Lynchburg Economic Development Authority, and the Lynchburg Regional Chamber of Commerce to host a "Superintendent Meet & Greet Open House." Business leaders from throughout the community met Dr. Brabrand and heard a brief overview of his vision for the Lynchburg City Schools. Welcome Dr. Brabrand!

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To help meet a growing demand from teachers and schools requesting funding to implement innovative teaching ideas, the Foundation is seeking additional corporate support. The Foundation's Classroom Innovation Grants are currently supported by thirty-nine corporate/business sponsors and additional special funded honor/memorial grants. For more information about the Foundation and this exciting opportunity to support innovation in our classrooms, please contact a trustee or the Foundation's Executive Director today!



Did you know that Lynchburg City Schools teachers spend an average of \$300 to \$400 out-of-pocket annually to supplement school supplies for their classrooms? The Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation, Inc. works to mitigate this burden by providing additional support to our teachers through our **Tools4Schools** Warehouse. **Tools4Schools** provides a unique way for tax deductible gifts to be placed in a warehouse where Lynchburg City Schools' teachers and principals can select items they can use - *free of charge!* With over 330 visits during the school year, this warehouse is proving to be a valuable resource for our teachers! **Tools4Schools** is one more way the Foundation works with the community to support our students, teachers, and schools. We thank our college intern, Mark Chauteh, for ensuring the smooth operation of the Warehouse and Jennifer Anderson and her Work Experience students at Heritage High School, who kept the displays in order, shelves stocked, and all items inventoried.

**Want to make a donation?** Everything from glue, crayons, paper, art materials, office supplies, and educational materials can be donated to the program. Material donations are accepted to directly stock the warehouse and cash donations are used to leverage our purchasing power. So, whether you're a family with a basement filled with unused construction paper or unopened science kits, or a business with outdated stationery taking up valuable space, consider making a donation to **Tools4Schools** today!



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