



**East Lansing Educational Foundation**

# 2017 Annual Report

*Helping teachers help our children*

**33 Years of Supporting Students  
1 Million Reasons to Celebrate**

A Note from the ELEF President

Our annual report is one more way to demonstrate how community donations support exciting initiatives and enhanced learning opportunities in the East Lansing Public Schools. Your continued generosity provides students from Pre-Kindergarten through high school with enrichment in S.T.E.A.M., the Arts, literacy, and physical activities. Thank you for your gifts.

Sincerely,

Blair Renfro  
President, ELEF

## SAVE THE DATES

**Our 18th Annual Awards Dinner and Golf Outing will be held on  
May 17, 2018 at Eagle Eye Golf Club**

**2nd Annual ELEF Dream for S.T.E.A.M Event  
March 14, 2018—East Lansing High School Student Union—6:00—8:00 pm**

**All of the funds raised from the Annual Awards Dinner and Golf Outing support our General Fund for teacher grants!**



Please note our new website!

Our new home on the web: [ELEF.US](http://ELEF.US)

In the past year, we have launched a new presence on the internet. Our new home on the web is [ELEF.US](http://ELEF.US). On this page you can find news and links to our events and happenings, as well as view our reports and profiles of our board members and staff.

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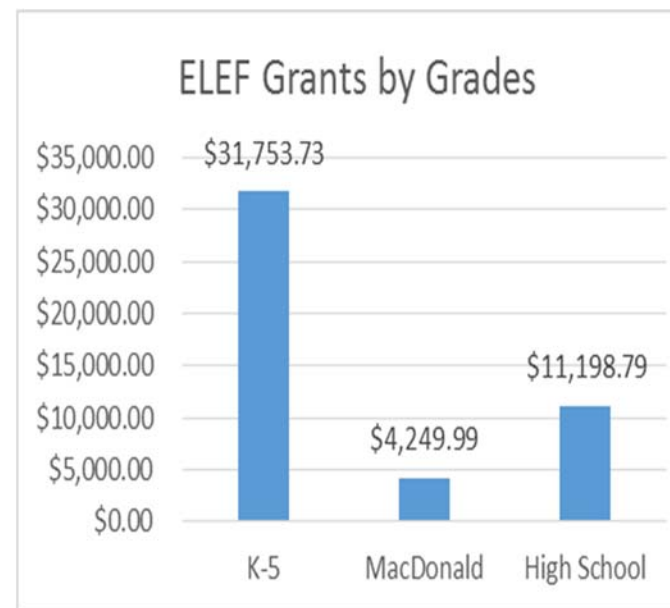
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## ELEF's 2017 By the Numbers

### Grants by Grade\*



K—5 was awarded \$31,753.73

MacDonald Middle School was awarded—\$4249.99

High School was awarded—\$11,198.79

Total donors in 2016-2017—172

Total volunteers in 2016: 50+

Total grants awarded: \$47,202.51

Money raised from Annual Golf and Awards Dinner: \$15,485.83 (net)

Total guests at Awards Dinner: 198

Money raised from the tailgate: \$897.40

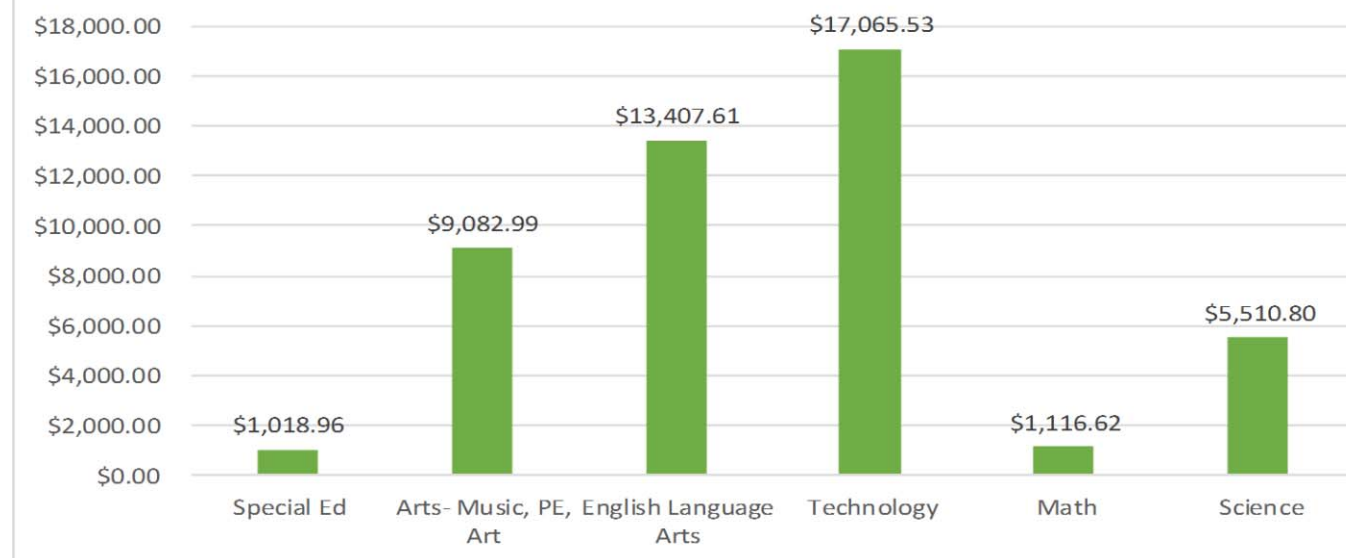
Money raised from the SAT Practice Test: \$2420.00

Grades impacted by grants: Pre-K—12

Total endowment funds: \$1,323,522.38 (as of December 31, 2017)

Students who took ELEF sponsored SAT Prep—99

### Grants by Subject Area



Grants totaling \$47,202.51 supported reading, writing, math, science, technology and the arts in 2017-18 school year. The largest grant was for \$7,824.10 for Raz Kids a supplemental reading program for DK— 3 graders in all elementary buildings. Grants funded S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) related programs and activities.

\*Grants are competitive and based on applications submitted by district educators.

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Casey Bain, Marble teacher and students celebrating their ELEF teacher grant!

**East Lansing Educational Foundation  
Endowment Funds Financial Report: Dec 2017**

ELEF Funds managed by Capital Region Community Foundation	Fund Balance: Dec 31, 2017
ELEF Endowment Fund	561,617.77
ELEF Endowment for Academics	34,916.23
ELEF Endowment for Arts	40,408.41
ELEF Endowment for Athletics, Activities and Clubs	6,045.60
ELEF Endowment for S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)	22,162.13
Alumni Association Fund	41,008.25
Asa and Calder Bromley Memorial Library Fund	27,061.37
Class of 1963 Fund (General Use)	20,147.11
Class of 1971 Fund (General Use)	31,571.23
Corey Cafagna Fund (Special Ed K-12 & ELHS Jazz and Choral Music)	31,278.65
Discretionary Fund for Professional Development	27,728.14
Dorothy MacDonald Fund (Orchestral Music)	27,712.21
Draggoo Family Fund (ELHS Band)	50,017.03
ELHS Music Directors' Discretionary Fund	29,715.40
Jason Wildman Scholarship Fund	67,065.32
Jodi Piper Bappert Fund (Student Leadership)	26,544.13
John Ropp Fund (Outside-the-Box Learning)	56,435.60
Mary Anne Sternberg Marshall Fund (ELHS Theater)	114,937.97
Sally McClintock Fund (Elementary Music)	34,653.00
Shrewsbury Sisters – Whitmer Family Fund (Civic Engagement)	27,083.75
Spartan Village G.L.O.B.A.L. Fund (Global learning opportunities)	13,375.67
Staton Family Endowment (General Use)	32,037.41
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,323,522.38</b>



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The East Lansing Educational Foundation supports all ELPS educators and students to excel and innovate by collaborating with the community to raise and distribute financial and in-kind resources.

The ELEF has granted over \$600,000 to East Lansing classrooms that provide teachers with innovative and supplemental materials to further engage our students in their learning.

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