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FORWARD Foundation, P.O. Box 183, River Falls, WI 54022

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- Please keep my donation anonymous
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Our Mission

FORWARD: The River Falls Public Schools Education Foundation is a non-profit organization, separate from the River Falls Public Schools, that serves as the means for private giving to public schools in River Falls. We support excellence and innovation by raising private funds to support programs beyond the core budget.

Our Purpose

- Support and enhance educational excellence and innovation in the School District of River Falls.
- Provide funding support to go beyond the core budget with programs that facilitate student engagement.

Questions?

Learn more today at www.forwardrf.org or contact the Chair of the FORWARD Foundation at forwardrfw@gmail.com. Members of the FORWARD Foundation Board are listed on our website.

**Donations to
FORWARD make a
difference for our
children.
Invest in our future!**



The River Falls Public Schools Education Foundation

**Funding Excellence
and Innovation
in our Schools**



Help make a difference!

www.forwardrf.org

Empowering educators, enriching students

What is the FORWARD Foundation?

The FORWARD Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, separate from the River Falls School District, that serves as the means of private giving to public schools in River Falls.

The FORWARD Foundation is not a booster or a pep club for specific programs. It is independent of the River Falls Board of Education.

What does the FORWARD Foundation do?

FORWARD funds teacher developed educational programs that are beyond the district's core budget. These programs deliver innovation and excellence for River Falls students, while enhancing curriculum and exciting student learning.

What types of programs does FORWARD fund?

FORWARD funds programs that align with the continuous improvement mission of RFSD strategic plan and promote one or more of the following: community engagement, global citizenship, healthy living, personalized learning, accountability and technology.

How are programs approved?

Teacher innovators are invited to apply for grants.

Grants must enhance academic programs, competitions or other teacher facilitated learning activities that are not supported by the core budget and would not occur otherwise without grant monies.

Special consideration is given to programs that have the potential to be continued over the long term or may have a permanent impact on public schools in River Falls.

Applications are evaluated by a grant committee using criteria established by the FORWARD Foundation Board. The Board is comprised of 23 community members, and its activities are defined in the organizational by-laws.

Your donations at work!

From 2012 to 2016, private donations to FORWARD have funded awards of more than \$86,000 to support over 60 teacher initiated grant programs. Visit the FORWARD website to learn more about those programs at www.forwardrf.org.

Approved Grant

Farm to School Initiative

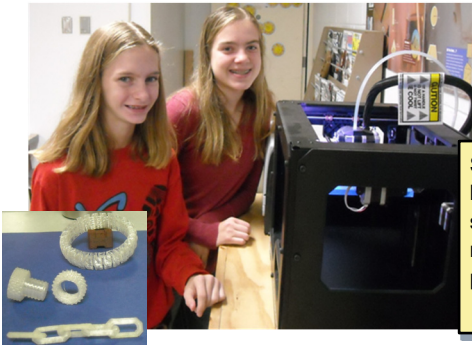


Students who grow what they eat become intimately connected to things that sustain them.

The purpose is to "connect students to the community and local farmers, teach nutrition education to staff and students and help incorporate garden activities into the school curriculum. A goal is a supply of fresh, local foods into the school cafeteria to provide health benefits to staff and students as well as developing an appreciation of food as a resource." —Chuck Eaton, Principal

Approved Grant

3D Printer



Students who take a hands-on approach to science learn the mechanics of their physical world.

"Using the 3D printer, students can create a physical model from their computer based design to analyze & improve the performance. The printer will enable students to gain real-world knowledge similar to today's engineers and enhance team design projects."

—Kevin Dorn, Tech Ed Teacher

Making resources available to all students provides equal opportunity

Approved Grant

Graphing Calculators



Twenty TI-84 calculators for the RF High School are now available to check out by teachers for students who may not have access. They are used for Algebra II Functions/Statistics, Trigonometry, and Pre-Calculus. They are also used for the AP Calculus BC exam. During a 3-month trial, over 50 students per day utilized them. —Sue Popelka

Great schools create great communities.