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The future begins here.

YEAR OF
Science

Spark Series

YEAR OF Science

SCIENCE! Our 2014-2015 Spark Series involved an entire Year of Science full of Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) that benefited not only our Gull Lake students, but our community at-large.

We kicked off the year with an amazing Science & Engineering Festival, featuring the Michigan Technological University Mind Trekkers! ALL 3,225 Gull Lake students attended the Festival and experienced more than 150 exciting live demonstrations that explored the STEM disciplines. In addition, a generous donation allowed us to invite and bus nearly 3,000 Kalamazoo and Battle Creek Middle School students to the Festival, free-of-charge. The second day of the event was open to the public.

The Foundation awarded science-focused grants throughout the year, providing expanded opportunities for every teacher and student in the district.

The Year of Science concluded with the Mind Trekker Challenge, where over 130 students from all grade levels competed in a non-traditional science fair to demonstrate their own science acuity from what they learned throughout the year.





Dear Community Member,

WOW!

That is the word that keeps popping into our heads when we reflect upon this last year. After designating 2014-2015 the "Year of Science," we were excited about the possibilities the school year would bring, and it exceeded our expectations!

Through our Science & Engineering festival, we demonstrated how fun and interesting Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) can be, and we shared it with over 9,000 people from Gull Lake and surrounding communities. In addition:

- The Middle School Greenhouse was saved and refurbished.
- A Community Garden with a compost system was developed at Ryan Intermediate.
- A master plan was developed for an outdoor classroom on the high school campus for all buildings to utilize.
- One hundred and forty students participated in the Mind Trekker Challenge where they had an opportunity to demonstrate their own STEM knowledge to their peers and community.

How did we accomplish all of this STEM excitement as well as award \$73,900 in grants and \$99,000 in scholarships? We did it with the collaboration and support of our fantastic community which demonstrates, year after year, how highly it values quality education and the work the GLCS Foundation is doing to expand and enhance education at Gull Lake Community Schools.

We hope you are as proud of the programs, grants and scholarships in this annual report as we are because you helped make them possible.

Thank you for investing in the future of our students and community.

The future begins here.

Sincerely,

Chris Rundle
Executive Director
GLCS Superintendent

Sarah Sandell
GLCS Foundation Chairperson

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Scholarships

Michael Bailey Memorial Scholarship (11th Gr)	\$4,000
Laurie Makin Cartwright Memorial Scholarship	\$2,000
Coca-Cola Healthy Lifestyle Scholarship	\$1,000
Tom Collins Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000
Elza E. Fayling Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000
James W. and Thelma Garside Scholarships (3 awarded: 2 at \$750, 1 at \$2,000)	\$3,500
Gull Lake Area Community Volunteers Men's Group Scholarship	\$1,000
Gull Lake Area Community Volunteers Women's Group Scholarships (3 awarded: \$1,000 each)	\$3,000
Gull Lake Area Rotary Club Scholarships (4 awarded: \$1,000 each)	\$4,000
Gull Lake Education Association Scholarship	\$500
Gull Lake Education Association Pekkarinen Scholarship	\$500



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Gull Lake Rising Stars Scholarship	\$500
Gull Lake United Way Scholarship	\$1,000
Blair Holden Memorial Gull Lake Area Rotary Club Scholarship	\$2,500
Blair Holden Memorial Gull Lake Area Rotary Club Merit Award	\$500

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Marv Hope Memorial Gull Lake Area Rotary Club Scholarship	\$500
Ladies of the Lake Scholarship	\$2,000
Michael and Andrew Land Memorial Scholarships (3 awarded: \$4,000 each)	\$12,000
Michael C. Mellema Memorial Scholarship	\$2,500
Teresa S. Nay Memorial Scholarships (3 awarded: \$500 each)	\$1,500
PACE Scholarships (2 awarded: \$1,500 each)	\$3,000
Parker Hannifin Engineering Scholarship	\$2,000
Mathew Paulose Memorial Scholarship	\$500
Pelletier Scholarship	\$1,000



\$99,000
45 awarded

For a list of recipients, please go to our
Scholarship page at www.glcsf.org.

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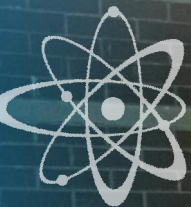
Frank Quartermaine Memorial Student Athlete Scholarship	\$1,000
Richland Gull Lake Area Lions Club Scholarships (2 awarded: \$500 each)	\$1,000
James R. Ryan Family Foundation Middle School Scholarship (8th Gr)	\$40,000
Darl Scott Golf Industry Scholarship	\$4,000
Clare Shoemaker Memorial Scholarship	\$500

Robert W. Smith Memorial Scholarship	\$500
Warrior CPR Scholarship	\$500
Jack Weber Memorial Scholarship	\$500





Grants



Richland Elementary

Reading Support Materials \$390
Principal's Discretionary Grant \$400

Kellogg Elementary

Kellogg Math & Science Expo \$400
Principal's Discretionary Grant \$400

Ryan Intermediate

Principal's Discretionary Grant \$400

Gull Lake Middle School

Interactive Mural/Map \$300
GLMS Library Mural \$430
Special Education Community Outings \$260
Kiln for Art Classes \$3,000
Artist Visit - Sayaka Ganz \$800

Made possible by the Larsen Family

Principal's Discretionary Grant \$400

Gull Lake High School

Generator for Science Classes \$600
Yearbook Staff Conference \$380
WMU Engineering Visit \$300
Equipment for Nutrition Classes \$500
Electronic Balances \$2,200
Principal's Discretionary Grant \$400



Gateway Academy

Field Trip Expenses	\$600
Principal's Discretionary Grant	\$400

GLCS Community Education

Director's Discretionary Grant	\$600
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Gull Lake Partnership

Director's Discretionary Grant	\$400
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Student Grants

GLHS Student - Cecchetti Council of America Summer School	\$250
Read and Ride Therapeutic Camp	\$500
GLHS Students - International DECA Conference	\$800
GLHS Students - Computer Science Equipment	\$500
GLHS Student - Ballet Summer Theatre Workshop	\$250
GLHS Student - HOSA National Conference	\$400

Staff Grants

Mobile Learning Conference	\$390
Speech-Language Pathology Conference	\$570
Story Time Slime - Science Education Training	\$5,700
<i>Made possible with support from the E-B Foundation</i>	
Capturing Kids' Hearts Training	\$2,470
Michigan Pre-College Conference	\$330

Multi-Year Innovation Grants

Leader In Me Training - Year 1	\$6,790
Capturing Kids' Hearts - Year 1	\$7,000
School Community Garden - Year 1	\$3,400
Outdoor Classroom - Year 1	\$4,000
Let Me Run Program - Year 2	\$1,260
Youth Depression - Year 3	\$7,800

District-Wide Grants

Computer Science/ Software Engineering	\$9,940
3D Printer Workshop	\$4,940
Festival of the Senses	\$1,250
<i>Made possible by the Larsen Family</i>	
FIRST Robotics Competition Event	\$1,800

All awards rounded to the nearest \$10.

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\$73,900

42 awarded

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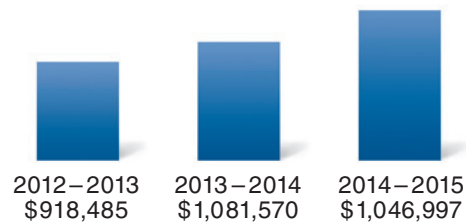
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