# BLOOMINGTON KENNEDY ACTIVITIES FOUNDATION





# Annual Report 2022-2023

Bloomington Kennedy Activities Foundation (BKAF) exists to provide supplemental financial backing for Kennedy High School athletics and activities in order to elevate programs and support students' academic and personal success.

### **Supporting Youth Development**

# An Introduction to the Bloomington Kennedy Activities Foundation (BKAF)

#### **History**

BKAF was founded in 2019 by volunteers from the Kennedy community with the sole purpose of fundraising to support student engagement in extracurricular activities.

#### **Guiding Beliefs**

- Kennedy students who engage in extracurricular activities develop leadership, teamwork and communication skills that lead to more confidence and greater academic and professional success.
- Kennedy benefits from the strengthened community that is created among students, teachers, families, and administration through extracurricular activities.
- Fundraising in support of ALL student activities through a central grant-making intermediary like BKAF creates more efficiency and equity.

#### Goals

- Provide grant programs that are open and accessible to all students regardless of interest or financial status.
- Promote diversity and innovation within student activities at Kennedy.
- Work collaboratively to support the work of Kennedy administration and active booster clubs.



"BKAF continues to impact students by breaking down socioeconomic barriers to provide access to local, state and international opportunities that elevate and advance our students' overall education."

# **Building Future Leaders**

Rhythm in Gold, the Kennedy Show Choir, became the first recipient of BKAF's Impact Grant, designed to support unique or exceptional opportunities for Kennedy students. Students traveled to Branson, Missouri, to participate in FAME Nationals, a highly selective, invitation-only competition. The choir finished as first runner up and won awards for best soloist and best stage performer.



#### **2022-23 GRANT RECIPIENTS**

# Leadership and Service

IGNITE Mentors
Freshmen Retreat
Women of the Future
Green Club

#### **Athletics**

Badminton
Girls Soccer
Cheer Team
Football
Kolleens Dance
Volleyball
Swim and Dive
Cross Country
Softball
Track and Field

#### **Performing Arts**

Kennedy Choirs Kennedy Theatre Instrumental Music

### Academic Enrichment

DECA Robotics

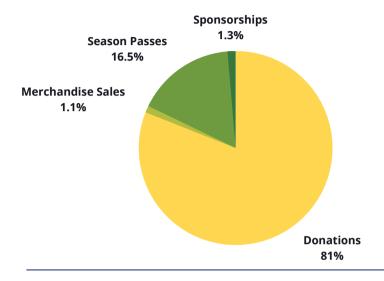
#### **Culture**

Student Voices of Unity Senior Party



DECA students honed their business skills at the State Competition

# **By the Numbers**

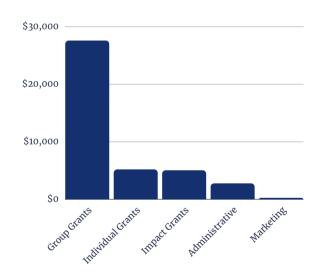


ANNUAL REVENUE \$44.682

GRANT DISTRIBUTIONS \$37,700

> EXPENSES \$2,928

YEAR-END NET INCOME \$4.052



\$32.7K

For grants supporting **21** unique Kennedy programs

40

Individual grants representing an increase of 178% over last year 1200

Students served by group grant funding

## **Supporters**



### **DONORS AND SPONSORS**





**Benevity Fund** 

Karissa White Peterson/Bennett Fund

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Rachel Keller, President Allen Rezac, Vice President Sarah Arnold, Secretary Carleen Kerttula, Treasurer Kyle Elbert, Board Member



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