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✓ Lego Robotics, 4th grade

The mission of the Pine Street School Foundation is to increase available funding to allow teachers and staff the additional resources required to assure an exemplary education for the students of Pine Street Elementary School.



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OVERVIEW

The Pine Street School Foundation was formed in 2009 by a group of parents and grandparents seeking to help ensure that Pine Street Elementary School has the resources needed to enhance an already exceptional educational experience. Our vision is that the Foundation can be a vehicle to further nourish the individual creativity and innovation of our outstanding faculty and staff.

In a competitive educational world, we believe the education our children currently receive is one of the best at any school, anywhere. Our goal is to significantly increase discretionary funds to provide for equipment, supplies, and projects above and beyond what traditional funding sources provide. Accordingly, the Foundation has created a grant process for teachers and staff to leverage and fund these initiatives.

FAQs

What is the difference between the PTO and the Pine Street School Foundation?

The differences are both in how funds are generated and allocated. The PTO leverages family dues and gift sales to fund teacher appreciation and meaningful school traditions. Examples include duty free lunch for teachers, Grandparents Day and Colonial Day. The Foundation seeks financial commitments to fund academic enhancement projects at the classroom, grade, department, and school-wide levels. Examples range from a new set of lacrosse equipment for the PE Department to specialty math and science equipment for the 5th grade.

What is the Foundation's spending policy?

Our spending policy emphasizes that funds should be deployed quickly and that every student should benefit from the Foundation's grants every year. We do not intend to raise an endowment to gradually deploy funds over many years. Our donors should know that we intend for their current contributions to benefit today's students.

QUICK FACTS

Pine Street School Foundation

Founded: 2009

Tax Status: 501c3

Grant Cycle: Applications are due in January. Awards are announced in May for the following academic year.

Pine Street Elementary School

- Serves grades K-5 in Spartanburg School District 7
- Recipient of National Schools of Distinction in Arts Education Award for 2012-2013, from the John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts
- Recipient of *South Carolina Palmetto Gold Award* annually since 2002, the state's highest award for academic achievement
- Utilizes Arts Infusion Curriculum
- Among the state leaders in standardized test scores annually

< Mobile teaching easel, 1st grade

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GRANTS

During the 2012-2013 school year, the Pine Street School Foundation awarded more than \$26,000 in grants to teachers in grades K - 5. Below is a partial list of the projects that were funded by the Foundation over the last academic year.

Project	Grade
CDs & DVDs for Language Arts	К
6 Interactive Boards	1
Mobile Teaching Easel	1
Mr. Green's Star Machine	1
Novel Sets	3
Blank Books for SC History	3
Renew Brain Pop Videos Subscription	3, 4, 5
DVDs for Guidance Lessons	3, 4, 5
Smart Board & Supporting Sound System	3, 4, 5
Lego Robotics Program & Laptop Computers	4
Software for forming a Lego League, in conjunction with 4th grade Lego Robotics grant	4, 5
Big Pads & Blank books for ELA/SS	5
Three sets of brown bag books for Barrier Island	5
9 Audio books for struggling readers	5
Non-fiction book sets	5
Video Projector & Document Camera	All
Projector, Smart board, Installation	All
Quick Start Tennis Equipment	All
Projector & Document Camera for Computer Lab	All
School Musical- performance license & show kit	All
ebooks for the new iPads	All

Financial Summary			
	2011-2012	2012-2013	TOTAL
Contributions*	\$38,931	\$26,668	\$100,278
Grants Awarded	-24,871	-28,268	-83,634
Expenses	-2,491	-2,687	-5,289
Net	\$11,569	\$4,287	\$11,356

*2011-12 figures include a large one-time gift

For a complete picture of the Pine Street School Foundation's financials, please ask for a copy of our 2013 annual report or visit our web site: www.PineStreetSchoolFoundation.org.

< The storage building for Physical Education Bicycle program, awarded in 2012-13, allows many students to enjoy cycling. All grades



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Foundation sponsored Language Arts and Science book project, 5th grade

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