



Banking On Education Kicks off for 2024!

It is Banking on Education season! It is time to purchase your ticket to ensure that the mission of the Foundation is successful in 2024!

We have three \$500 prizes - each ticket is \$20 and is a chance to win \$500. There are only 100 chances for each \$500 prize. Our \$500 prizes are sponsored by ORNL Federal Credit Union, Citizens Bank and Knoxville TVA Credit Union. For \$20 - You can participate in supporting education in Loudon County and potentially win \$500!

We have one prize of \$500 with only 20 chances sponsored by People's Bank, those tickets are \$100. Let me know if you are interested in one of these tickets!

Last year, the Foundation contributed over \$70,000 to education in Loudon County. 2,000 children ages 5 and under received a book every month through our support of the Imagination Library, an important early literacy program. Teachers in our schools received over \$25,000 in grant funds to support teaching curriculum. We were able to contribute \$4,000 towards classroom supplies. We acknowledged over 200 students in our Young Achievers program, 9 students in our annual essay contest, 13 outstanding teachers and graduated 11 leaders through Leadership Loudon County. We provided \$8,500 in scholarships and over \$5000 in Certification testing to ensure students had the proper certifications to be job ready at graduation. In 2023, The Foundation crossed the million-dollar milestone of contributions to education since 2012! You can learn more about the Foundation at www.lceftn.org.

I hope that we can count on you to help raise funds for the mission of the Foundation. You can purchase a ticket on-line by using the donate button at www.lceftn.org . Your ticket will be mailed to you. Or you can purchase a ticket from a board member or from the Foundation office directly.

The drawing will be held at Riverfest on Saturday, August 17 at 8 pm. You do not have to be present to win. If you are a winner, you will receive a check for \$500! It's really that easy.

Champions of Education Difference Makers

LCEF Difference Makers do just that – make a difference in the community by contributing to LCEF on a monthly basis. Your gift of \$25 a month makes \$300 over a 12-month period. Your gift helps ensure that the mission of the Foundation is met. You see what we have been able to do in our schools for the past eleven years – you have supported and even participated in our events to continue to fund Classroom supplies, Classroom grants, Scholarships, Imagination Library, Young Achievers, Annual Essay Contest and Leadership Loudon County.

Now you can make your contribution a monthly, automatic gift to assist in creating an educated workforce in Loudon County, to provide teachers with classroom grant opportunities, to put books in the hands of kids 0 – 5!

Your gift can be made through bill-pay with your bank, as an automatic deduction or you can use the donate button on our website and just indicate your gift is "re-occurring". A \$25 gift is minimum for the Difference Makers, but you can certainly give more, if you prefer.

You will be designated a Difference Maker and receive a LCEF T-shirt, listing on our website, and receive tickets to the annual Donor Appreciation Champion's Gala.

Sign up today and let the difference that you make in this community begin!

The Loudon County Education Foundation announced today the recipients of Great Idea! Grants for the 2024- 25 school year.

The Great Idea! Grants are supported by individual and business contributions, funds raised in the community through special events by the Foundation, and funds contributed from the Johnson Family Foundation. This annual grant cycle provides teachers with funds for classroom projects to engage and excite students in the learning process.

Applications for this year's grant cycle were received in April 2024. A committee comprised of board members considers applications based on mission, number of students the project will benefit, and sustainability. LCEF Executive Director makes recommendations based on available funding versus grant requests. When all of these considerations have concluded, decisions for awards are announced.

Through this grant cycle, LCEF will be awarding over \$12,000 and directly benefitting over 3,205 students with these projects. Thank you to all of the schools and teachers who provided these opportunities for partnership for the better education of the students in our community!

We are happy to announce the recipients of the Great Idea! Grants for the 2024- 2025 grant cycle:

- Ashley Rice – Lenoir City Elementary - \$649, for Tools & Sun, Moon, and Stars which will benefit 130 students.
- Elizabeth Vineyard – Lenoir City Intermediate Middle School - \$850, Out with the Old, In with the New – will benefit 150 students
- Stephanie Livengood – Lenoir City Elementary School - \$850 for Bilingual Literacy for Multilingual Learners will benefit 250 students.
- M'Kayla Coleman – Lenoir City Elementary School - \$2,681 for Book Joy which will benefit 535 students.

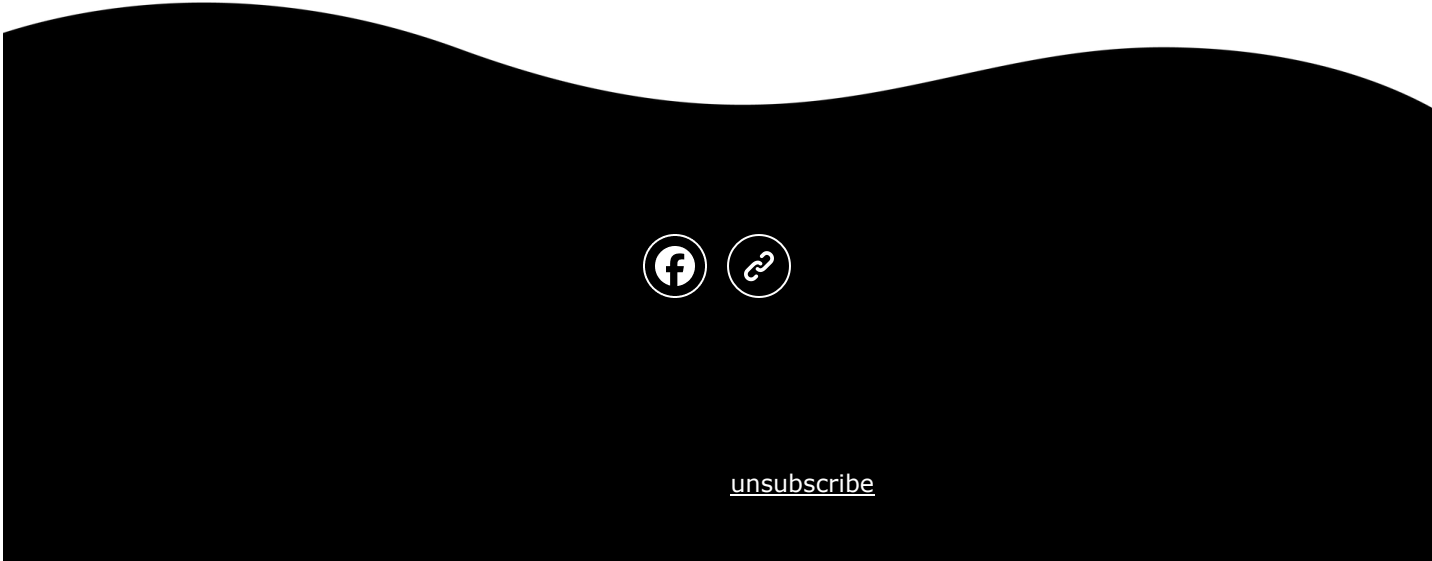
- Susanne Tyler – Lenoir City High School - \$150 for Creative Awards/Label Maker which will benefit 200 students.
- Kara West – Lenoir City Elementary School - \$720 for Birds’ Bodies and How to care for birds which will benefit 130 Students.
- Bryce Ruis – Greenback School - \$946 for Mad for Math which will benefit 150 Students
- Haley Pope – North Middle School - \$1000 for Maker Space in the Library which will benefit 780 Students
- Jennifer Chastain – Fort Loudoun Middle School - \$600 for Watercolor our World which will benefit 400 students.
- Nikki Hunt – Philadelphia Elementary School - \$1,544 for Chewing Through AR which will benefit 100 Students.
- Melanie Shepard – Fort Loudoun Middle School - \$600 for Flight Simulation for Future Pilots which will benefit 380 Students.
- LaStar Yates – Fort Loudoun Middle School - \$1410 for Read to Succeed which will benefit 130 students.

Job Opening: Administrative Assistant

Loudon County Education Foundation seeks part-time (20 hours a week) administrative assistant. Must be able to multi-task & possess computer & administrative skills. Knowledge of Microsoft Office a must. Knowledge of Lenoir City/Loudon County school systems a plus. Email resume to: Contact@lceftn.org.



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