

Arts Fund

Marion Community Schools has produced Broadway stars and other professional artists in many different fields, including music, dance, design, writing, photography, and more. But the discipline, creativity and passion the arts instills has a tangible everyday impact for the thousands of MCS alumni working in diverse fields and making a difference in our community and our world. As we face the highest child poverty rate in the state, it's more important than ever to give ALL students the chance to experience art.

Your gift can change a student's world!

How it will work:

Your donation will be deposited into the Arts Fund at the Community Foundation of Grant County. Our goal is to raise \$2 million by spring 2020. This fund will then help secure and enhance our outstanding arts programs long into the future.

The MHS Alumni Association's Finance Committee, which includes representatives from Marion Community Schools, will oversee allocation of the funds to meet needs including (but not limited to) instruments, uniforms, supplies, equipment, and costs for events, competitions, travel, and guest artists, as well as maintenance and improvement of the F. Ritchie Walton Performing Arts Center and other facilities.

A process will be put in place by which MCS teachers and administrators can express needs and request funds.

The Community Foundation will oversee the endowment, and MHSAA will periodically report how the funds are utilized to the MCS School Board and other stakeholders.

Education Fund

Marion Community Schools has educated some of the brightest minds and most successful people in the world. Marion High School is recognized as one of the best schools in the state (with an A rating from the IDOE) and in the country (as a bronze medalist in *U.S. News and World Report's* Best High Schools ranking). Yet area population and wealth has declined, and Grant County now faces the highest child poverty rate in the state. Funding from the state to help address those challenges is being drastically reduced. We believe that ALL children deserve the chance to succeed. It's crucial to our community's future.

The time to help is NOW.

How it will work:

Your donation will be deposited into the Education Fund at the Community Foundation of Grant County. Our goal is to raise \$2 million by spring 2020. This fund will then help secure and enhance our educational system long into the future.

The MHS Alumni Association's Finance Committee, which includes representatives from Marion Community Schools, will oversee allocation of the funds to meet needs including (but not limited to) equipment, supplies, and costs for programs, events, and academic teams.

A process will be put in place by which MCS teachers and administrators can express needs and request funds.

The Community Foundation will oversee the endowment, and MHSAA will periodically report how the funds are utilized to the MCS School Board and other stakeholders.

Athletics Fund

Former Giants have found success in the NBA, NFL, MLB, PGA, LPGA, PBA, the Olympics, and more, but the importance of sports extends far beyond those few who play professionally. The thousands athletes who have been part of the Giant tradition have all learned about teamwork, perseverance, and the pursuit of excellence. These sports programs, however, *will not exist* without community support. It takes tens of thousands of dollars yearly just to keep our programs going. Big equipment/facility needs often go unmet.

Help us prove that Giants Fight, Never Die!

How it will work:

Your donation will be deposited into the Athletics Fund at the Community Foundation of Grant County. Our goal is to raise \$2 million by spring 2020. This fund will then help secure and enhance our sports programs long into the future.

The MHS Alumni Association's Finance Committee, which includes representatives from MCS, will oversee allocation of funds to meet needs including (but not limited to) uniforms, equipment, costs for events, and facility maintenance/improvement, as expressed by MCS coaches and administrators.

With Community Foundation oversight, the MHSAA will report how funds are used.



Alumni Association

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