



OSHKOSH AREA  
COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION

# EDUCATION REPORT 2022



**Learn | Invest | Engage  
IN OUR COMMUNITY**







# Welcome Letter

Thank you to everyone that has worked with the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation to support education. Your support makes a huge impact on the communities we serve.

This year, records were set with your donated dollars. The Oshkosh Area Community Foundation gave out \$784,700 to 399 students to attend higher education. A new scholarship record. Scholarships often change young adults’ lives and together we gave out more dollars to more students than ever before.

Together we also supported teacher awards, provided private K-12 school tuition assistance, invested in Lourdes Academy’s building expansion, and supported numerous book and technology needs. Together we also supported mentoring and apprenticeship programs, teacher advancement training and counseling support in many schools.

Education has the power to keep our communities vibrant now and in the future. Together your philanthropic dollars and the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation’s administration is making a difference: For Good For Ever.

## Quick Facts

**Total Scholarships 2022:**  
**\$784,700**

**Students Awarded: 399**

**New Scholarships: \$457,600**

**Multi-Year Scholarships:**  
**\$327,100**

# What is the OACF?

## Oshkosh Area Community Foundation

The Oshkosh Area Community Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that works with hundreds of donors who wish to invest in the future of our community.

Since 1928, the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation has helped donors turn their charitable investments into projects that add energy and vitality to our community. For some donors, we facilitate charitable giving and help them build permanent legacies of support. Others provide gifts to be directed to emerging needs in our communities as identified by our Board of Directors. Serving Winnebago County, Waushara County, Green Lake County and Ripon, the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation strives to advance our communities’ quality of life and capacity for excellence.

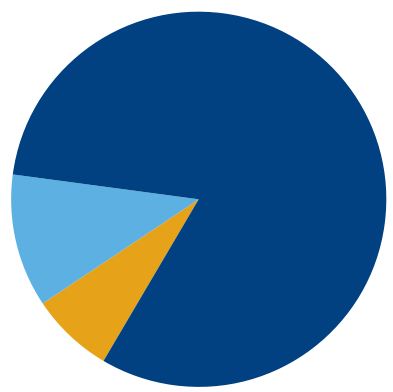
# Our Mission

## Our Mission is Simple: To Strengthen our Communities

We bring together leadership and funding to engage the community by coordinating local change efforts, engaging citizens, and bringing diverse voices and views together to address current and emerging needs.

We strengthen our communities through collaboration and partnership with donors and others to ensure lasting impact and to improve the quality of life for perpetuity.

We steward the funds of our donors and connect them to important projects in our community in order to see their philanthropic dreams come to life.



**Total Assets as of June 30, 2022**  
**\$142,735,694**  
("unaudited" numbers as of 06/30/2022)

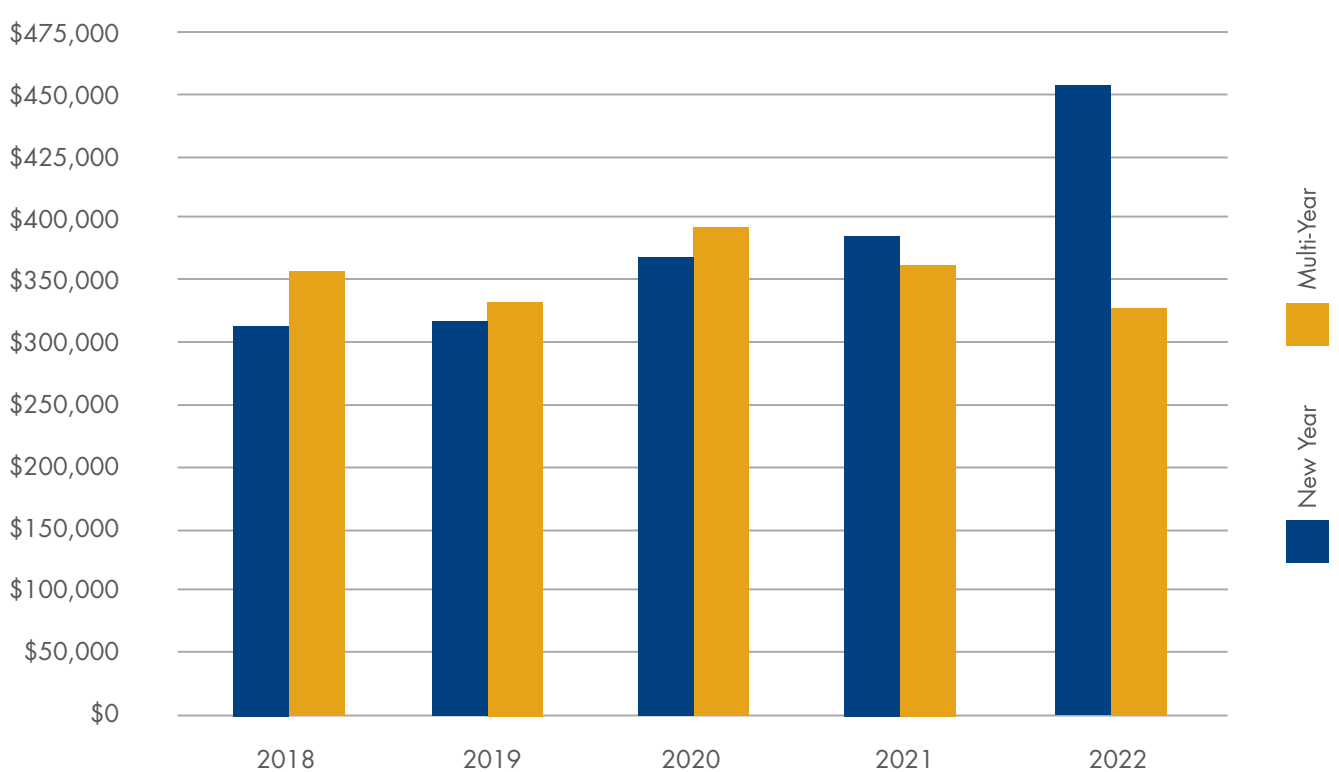
**Education Funds**  
**\$11,502,406 8.1%** of total assets

**Scholarship Funds**  
**\$19,274,291 13.5%** of total assets

# Scholarships Support Front Line Workers

As long ago as the 1960’s the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation has been providing financial support to students entering nursing, education, and even the criminal justice system, with scholarships to support their education. Many of these same people became what we referred to as “front line workers” who were crucial during our time of need during the recent pandemic. Who could have foreseen, just how important these professionals would become to all of us?

In this sometimes unseen, but critical role, the Community Foundation played a major part in supporting not only these professionals, but ultimately our communities. We are proud of the ongoing impact scholarships play in shaping our students entering our colleges and universities, and the value each and every one of them bring to our lives, collectively.



**Scholarship Dollars Awarded Past Five Years**



# OACF Serves as “Ambassador” During Lourdes Academy One by One Campaign

## 10 Million Dollar Goal Met by Fall 2021

After years of careful consideration and planning Lourdes Academy launched the One by One capital campaign in 2020 in partnership with the Oshkosh parishes and Green Bay Diocese. “The vision,” according to John Dinegan, president, “is to expand Catholic education and strengthen the Catholic faith in the Oshkosh community for generations to come.” The expansion will bring all grade levels of Catholic education together on one campus with a campaign goal of 10 million dollars to achieve it.

The role of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation was that of ambassador, opening doors and making introductions and connections between Lourdes Academy and potential donors. In addition, the OACF committed \$250,000 to the campaign.

The 30,000 square foot expansion project includes two new wings on the north side of the current building. A new high school wing featuring 11 classrooms, a faculty lounge and administrative space is being constructed on the east end. On the west end, a new elementary addition will include updated technology not currently available at the current locations. The west wing will also include a cafeteria, worship space administrative offices and a playground. There is an additional goal of increasing school enrollment with some grade levels already at capacity in their current facilities. Lourdes Academy saw a five percent increase in enrollment in the last year. The new spaces will also provide students more room to broaden their knowledge.

By the fall of 2021, the campaign goal was met, and ground broken for the project. According to Karen Boehm Lourdes Academy Director of Advancement, there were many moments during the campaign when she felt there was divine intervention. “We would be in front of someone and have our ‘ask’ and they would come back and say no, it needs to be more.” She goes on to say “It’s been amazing. You talk about and work on this for so long, and then one day you drive by and you see a wall going up and it’s cinder block, and it’s so exciting!”

When the doors open in the fall of 2022 at Lourdes Academy, an expanded campus will greet students: one built on a solid foundation of faith, community support and partnerships, like that of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation.

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## One by One Campaign by the Numbers

Goal: \$10 Million

Number of Gifts: 826

Gift Range: \$1 to \$1.5 Million

Goal Reached: \$10.53 Million  
(as of May 3, 2022)



## About

The Winneconne Area Community Foundations started as the Winneconne Education Fund with a focus on education and scholarships, but has evolved into an Affiliate of the OACF, with its own governing board, and focus on multiple areas that benefit the Winneconne area.

The Winneconne Education Fund, within the Winneconne Area Community Foundation has an annual grant cycle and has been awarding grants since 2005 to the Winneconne Community School District for different programs such as Skills USA as well as a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating senior. To date, since the fund has been at the OACF over \$118,000 has been granted out in grants and scholarships.

**The students in Winneconne SkillsUSA are well spoken, confident and take the program and curriculum seriously.**



## Winneconne Area Community Foundation Funds SkillsUSA Program at Winneconne High School

### *Eleven Students Compete Statewide, Two Qualify for the National Competition*

Two talented Winneconne high school students will travel to Atlanta this summer to compete on a national level during the SkillsUSA national competition. Why? Because they earned it, and the Winneconne Area Community Foundation, an affiliate of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, funded the program, which allowed them the opportunity to compete on a national level.

SkillsUSA is a student lead organization that encourages and develops leadership and technical training opportunities. The program is designed to foster students' development of potential careers. Typically, there are about 20 – 25 students in the program each year from all high school grade levels. Advisors Chris Arps Technology and Engineering Instructor and Tony Ingram Technology Instructor are hoping to grow that number.

Eleven students competed on a state level earlier this year with two, Maria Zillges and Kiersten Prah, taking home State Championship honors and the opportunity to compete on a national level. The students in SkillsUSA can compete in four areas: a job demonstration, prepared speech, technical skill, or leadership. Maria competed in the prepared speech category and Kiersten in the job demonstration category. Two additional students; Alex Woods and Mikayla Peach, took home 3rd and 2nd place medals respectively.

The students in Winneconne SkillsUSA are well spoken, confident and take the program and curriculum seriously. They are clearly preparing for their next step, whether it's a four-year college, a technical college, or stepping out into the job market. Without a doubt, there will be a solid return on the investment of the Winneconne Area Community Foundation in the program and the students.

## Teacher's Closet Establishes Designated Fund to Continue Serving Teaching Community

### *Run Entirely by Volunteers and Donations, Ensures Teachers get Needed Supplies*

The shelves are packed, sorted and organized, ready for the next wave of shoppers, also known as teachers. Markers, pencils, ruled paper, notebooks, paint brushes, pocket folders, boxes of tissues, bacterial wipes, books and more await them. The Teacher's Closet located within Peace Lutheran Church on 9th Avenue in Oshkosh opened its doors in 2011 to help teachers in Winnebago County teaching pre-K through 12th grade, obtain supplies for their classrooms and for their students. The Closet is open two times per week, from 3:30pm to 5:30pm on Wednesday and Thursday, during the school year. It is not unusual to see as many as 15 to 20 teachers or paraprofessionals coming to scour the shelves for needed supplies. The organization, in its 11th year of serving the area's teaching community, is run entirely by volunteers and through donations from individuals, businesses and service groups.

This past year, the organization established the Teacher's Closet Fund at the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation in order to ensure it continues to receive funding, and carries on in perpetuity. As budgets have continued to tighten in schools, this is one way to alleviate some of the burden for teachers, who otherwise pay for classroom supplies themselves.

According to the director, Kay Kuenzl-Stenerson, The Closet holds designated donation days, about four - five times per year and she

spends about \$1000.00 month on supplies in order to stock the shelves. She anticipates the need will continue to increase; another reason to establish the fund at the Community Foundation. For her, unlike teachers, summer is the busiest time for The Closet, as they prepare for the school year. But come

September, the shelves will be stocked, and organized, awaiting the next wave of teachers who come to shop. With the help of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, Kuenzl-Stenerson feels confident that teachers will get the supplies they need now, and in the future.

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Alan and Kay Kuenzl-Stenerson, Executive Director of The Teachers' Closet, received the State Superintendent's Friend of Education Award in 2019 for their work in supporting educators.



# Leaving a Legacy

## Donors

We gratefully acknowledge the generous donors who have entrusted us with their legacy by creating funds that are invested to provide education and scholarship support in perpetuity, or with current gifts that provide immediate support.

The Foundation has more than 850 funds supporting not only scholarships and education, but a broad range of needs in our communities. You can find the complete list on our website at [www.OshkoshAreaCF.org](http://www.OshkoshAreaCF.org). The Oshkosh Area Community Foundation partners with school districts and advocates to support education through:

### Oshkosh Area Community Foundation

Academic Challenge Scholarship Fund  
American Association of University Women  
Oshkosh Branch Scholarship Fund  
Mildred M. and Edward W. Baar Youth and Education Fund  
Brandon J. Backus Scholarship Fund  
Sam Barnard Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Barr-Chalberg Scholarship Fund  
Lyle L. and Elle Mae Beck Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Scott Bekken Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Kathy Bermingham Leadership Scholarship Fund  
Better Opportunities Begin Scholarship Fund  
William M. Bray Scholarship Fund  
Fr. Martin Carr Scholarship Fund  
Central Wisconsin Chapter Trout Unlimited-Scholarship Endowment Fund  
Kim Chapin Scholarship Fund  
Mike Clark Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Coops Wrestling Scholarship Fund  
Mr. and Mrs. Morris D. Dalton Scholarship Fund #1  
Mr. and Mrs. Morris D. Dalton Scholarship Fund #2  
Colleen Gibbons Daugherty Nursing Scholarship Fund  
Edward Joseph Dempsey Memorial Scholarship Fund Class of 1968  
David Dix and Yer Yang Art Scholarship  
Jim Dorschner Memorial Music Scholarship Fund  
Ellen Duex Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Thomas & Joyce Eberhart Scholarship Fund  
Hans and Otty Edel Memorial Fund  
Education Foundation of the Neenah Joint School District  
Evergreen Life Care Learning Endowment Fund  
Katherine MacKinnon Fiss Memorial Fund  
Mary E. Forbes Scholarship Fund  
Founders Scholarship Fund  
Fox River Valley Contractors Association Scholarship Fund  
The Anona M. Frankenstein Scholarship Fund  
Gams Endowment Scholarship Fund  
Vernon Gauger Fund  
**Govani Gives Scholarship**  
Chuck Grable Scholarship Fund  
Dr. Stanley J. Graiewski Memorial Fund  
Judith Gruszynske Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Adam D. Gundlach Scholarship Fund  
The Donald and Audrey Gutzman Scholarship Fund  
Barbara Habstritt Scholarship Fund  
Oscar and Gertrude Hardy Scholarship Fund  
Terry and Amy Hathaway Scholarship Fund  
Dr. Robert E. ‘Doc’ Herman Scholarship Fund  
Debra Hildebrandt Scholarship Fund  
Hillsdale College Scholarship Fund  
Sam Holmes Scholarship Fund  
Keith H. Hurlbut Scholarship Fund  
Charles F. Hyde, Jr. Youth of the Year Scholarship Endowment Fund  
Gladys W. Ihde Scholarship Fund  
Lester H. Ihrig Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Bertha M. Jones Scholarship Fund

Kaprelian Baseball Scholarship Fund  
Robert Kellerman Scholarship Fund  
Thomas J. King and Jean I. Erdman Scholarship Fund  
Ruth Kossel LPN Scholarship Fund  
Krizan Family Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Albert A. and Sylvia T. Kuklinski Scholarship Fund  
The Marie R. Lehnigk Scholarship Fund  
Fred Leist Music Scholarship Fund  
Carol E. Lines Education Fund  
Little Pine Creek Farm Scholarship Fund  
lynch Family Scholarship Fund  
Martin Math Scholarship Fund  
Kevin McCoy Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Robert and Ruthie Melzer Scholarship Fund  
Joseph S. Mertle Scholarship Fund  
Richard A. Meyer Memorial Scholarship Fund  
The Miss Wisconsin Organization Scholarship Fund  
Jeremy T. Monnett Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Dr. Peter Muehrer 1995 Hall of Fame Scholarship Fund  
**Ray Neveau Play It Forward Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
OHS Class of ‘63 Endowment Fund  
Omro Extra Curricular Endowment Fund  
**Richard W. Osborn Scholarship Fund**  
Oshkosh Community Education Fund  
Oshkosh Corporation Foundation, Inc. Scholarship Fund  
Oshkosh Noon Optimists Scholarship Endowment Fund  
Oshkosh North High School Class of 1978  
Gladys Veidemanis Scholarship Fund  
Oshkosh United Soccer Club Scholarship Fund  
Green Lake United States Bowling Congress Wisconsin Bowling Association Fund  
Dave and Connie Paulick Scholarship Fund  
Peter Pan Nursery School Scholarship Fund  
Anthony Ramminger Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Elizabeth J. Rasmussen Scholarship Fund  
Elizabeth J. Rasmussen School Program Fund  
Laurie Raupp Scholarship Fund  
Real Men Wear Pink of Wisconsin Fund  
Reichow Scholarship Fund  
Wayne Remer Scholarship Fund  
Ripple Effect Fund  
The Rowland Scholarship Fund  
Edward and Belle Rudoy Endowment Fund  
Emily Salzsieder Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Howard F. Schafer and Enid L. Schafer Fund  
Nyal & Beverly Scheuermann Family Scholarship Fund  
E.J. Schneider Scholarship Fund  
Scholarship Fund for Engineering  
Jason Schroeder Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Dr. Hilbert K. Schultz Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Harold Schumerth Athletic Award Fund  
Brandon Lee Sheppard Memorial Fund  
Carl and Ruth Steiger Christian Youth Leadership Award Fund  
Alta T. and Daniel B. Straley Scholarship Fund  
**The Teacher’s Closet Fund**  
Technical College Scholarship Fund  
Marvin F. Thompson and Mary R. Steckbauer Thompson Scholarship Fund  
Thompson-Thiex Memorial Fund  
Jim Tichonchik Memorial Scholarship Fund  
**Tomorrows Anglers Quest Scholarship Fund**  
Don and Mary Troudt Scholarship Fund

UAW Local 578 Scholarship Fund  
Viola C. Vedder Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Rodgers Veidemanis Education Fund  
Norbert and Hope Vette Scholarship Fund  
Patricia Vickman JOURNEY Scholarship Fund  
Sergeant Andrew Wallace Memorial Scholarship Fund  
**Merlin R. and Ruth I. Wegner Fund**  
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Rose S. Wendt Endowed Scholarship Fund  
Wesenberg Scholarship Fund  
Winnebago Conservation Club Scholarship Fund  
Winnebago County Farm Progress Days Scholarship Fund  
Catherine (Kitty) Wojahn Memorial Scholarship  
Phyllis J. Zeinert Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund  
Robert H. and Randall K. Zentner Music Scholarship Fund  
Zmolek Family Education Fund

### Green Lake County/ Ripon Community Foundation

Marjorie and Lester Brown Scholarship Fund  
**Daycholah Defender Scholarship Fund**  
Green Lake High School Alumni Fund  
Green Lake School District Environment Experience Fund  
Green Lake School Excellence Fund  
Green Lake United States Bowling Congress Wisconsin Bowling Association Fund  
Dr. Allen E. Greer Memorial Mentoring Fund  
Charlie Marks Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Princeton Scholarship Fund  
Rogers Performing Arts Scholarship Fund  
Shannon and Shelly Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Tough as Nails Scholarship Fund

### Lourdes Academy

Bill Behring Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Bill Behring Staff Endowment Fund  
Joan I. and Clifford W. Bunks Tuition Assistance Fund  
Louis Carpenter Memorial - Bishop Wycislo Scholarship Fund  
St. Clare of Assisi Fund  
Corky Daniels Memorial Scholarship Fund  
John Dewane Scholarship Fund  
James and Kenneth Eichstadt Endowment Fund  
Patricia Lee Foust Memorial Fund  
Dr. Louis Graber Memorial Scholarship Fund  
William Haidlinger Scholarship Fund  
Mary Jane Juzwiak Endowment Fund  
John Kapral Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Kemp Family Scholarship Fund  
Paul Kircher Memorial Leadership Scholarship Fund  
Rich Knobloch “Pibb Sure” Fund  
Judy and Tom Kuble Scholarship Fund  
Grace La Voy Scholarship Fund  
Lourdes Academy Construction Fund  
Lourdes Academy Endowment Fund  
Lourdes Academy Music Booster Fund  
Lourdes Foundation Fund

Luker Family Fund  
Alyssa Koelbl & Marissa Marx Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Leo M. & Muriel M. Metzler Tuition Assistance Fund  
Constance Misky/Frank and Virginia Schneider Scholarship Fund  
Dennis and Karol Noone Family Fund  
Oshkosh Tool Tuition Assistance Fund  
Henry and Esther Piechowski Tuition Assistance Fund  
Thomas A. Plein Annual Scholarship Fund  
Douglas L. Posorske Memorial Fund  
Tim Purtell Tuition Fund  
Charlie Rayner Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Raymond and Virginia Ruzicka Lourdes Scholarship Fund  
John F. Schatz Family Scholarship Fund  
John W. Schmid Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Harold Schumerth Scholarship Fund  
Fr. Daniel Schuster Vocational Scholarship Fund  
John and Helen Schuster Lourdes Academy Fund  
Stan Spanbauer Family Scholarship Fund  
The John C. Stadler Family Memorial Band Fund  
John C. Stadler Memorial Fund  
Leonard Stadler Family Capital Improvement Fund  
The Staszkiwicz Family Scholarship Fund  
Florence Swan Scholarship Fund  
The John E. and Valois M. Williams Tuition Assistance Fund  
**Jerry Wetterau Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
The Dr. E.J. & Donna Zmolek Tuition Assistance Fund

### Neenah Joint School District

Ann Beaster Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Patrick Began Memorial Rocket Scholarship Fund  
Raymond and Mary Brengosz Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Larry Camber Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Josh Carter – State Farm Insurance Scholarship Fund  
Theresa M. Cheng MD, PhD Scholarship Fund  
Ann L. Dobbins Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund  
Nick Dohr Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Bill Dunwiddle Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Ron and Delores Einerson Scholarship Fund  
Roger Ernst Literary Excellence Scholarship Fund  
Frank X Scholarship Fund  
Albert J. and Arline M. Goerlitz Scholarship Fund  
William L. Heidke Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Helping Hands Scholarship Fund  
Frank X. Hocholzer Library Fund  
Horace Mann 6th Grade LearningExperience Fund  
James M. Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Louis Kort Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Laura Jane and Harley Loker Scholarship Fund  
Ann M. Martin Scholarship Fund  
Norma M. Mayer Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Maureen McAvoy Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Judy Kurka Nagel Memorial Fund  
Neenah High School Touch of Class Fund  
Neenah Joint School District Board of Education Scholarship Fund  
Neenah Joint School District Hall of Fame Fund  
Neenah Joint School District Rick and Carolyn Carlson Scholarship Fund  
Neenah Joint School District Scholarship Fund  
Neenah Joint School District Transitional Education Center (TEC) Program Fund  
Neenah Tennis Program Fund  
Neenah Tomorrow Fund  
Okundaya Family Scholarship for Civics, Literature, and the Arts Scholarship Fund  
PBNJ Mental Health Fund  
Pledge With Pride Fund  
Larry and Michael Prell Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Robert Radtke Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Rally Round Reading Fund  
Jordan Rowe Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Warren Schuknecht Memorial Scholarship Fund

Theda Clark Smith Foundation Scholarship Fund  
Florence Spanbauer Teacher Scholarship Fund  
Spring Road All-Inclusive Playground Project Fund  
Andrew Thorson Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Carol Tipler Student Enrichment Fund  
Vera Tipler Professional Development Fund

### Omro Area Scholarship and Education Foundation, Inc.

Marie Bullis Barnard Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Annette Beem Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Warner & Laura Bohn Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Stanley A. Butkiewicz Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Donald and Shirley Dailey Scholarship Fund  
Daggett-Morrissey Scholarship Fund  
Ferne Davis Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Lewis Drobnick Scholarship Fund  
MadDEX Eckstein Kind Heart Scholarship Fund  
Bernie Egan Memorial Fund  
Virginia Formiller Family Scholarship Fund  
Bruce Fowler Fund  
Gene E. Giddings Scholarship Fund  
Edward R. and Kathryn M. Goss Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Rosie & Don Hildebrand Omro High School Scholarship Fund  
Judge and Mrs. Wilbur Hurlbut Scholarship Foundation Fund  
Ray Janiak Science Scholarship Fund  
The Les Kallas Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Lillie Family Scholarship Fund  
Charles P. and Margaret S. King Fund  
**Neil and Ellen Newman Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
Omro Area High School Class of 1964 Scholarship Fund  
Omro Area Scholarship and Education Foundation, Inc. Fund  
Reitz-Wegner Scholarship Fund  
Maurice J. Schoenbechler Fund  
Strehlow Family Scholarship Fund  
**Lawrence Thull Scholarship Fund**  
Royal and Della Tice Scholarship Fund  
**Dale E. Treleven Social Justice Scholarship Fund**  
Mildred E. Turner Scholarship Fund  
Craig Wesner Memorial Scholarship Fund

### Oshkosh Area School District Education Foundation

Helen A. Beach Fund  
Olive Davenport Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Jenn Friederich Memorial Fund  
**Herzog Family Scholarship Fund**  
Oshkosh Area School District Education Foundation Athletic/Facilities Fund  
Oshkosh Area School District Education Foundation Fine Arts Fund  
Oshkosh Area School District Education Foundation Fund  
Oshkosh Area School District Education Foundation Scholarship Fund  
Oshkosh High School Alumni Opportunity Fund  
Oshkosh North High School Booster Club Fund  
**Oshkosh North High School Marching Band Uniform Fund**  
Gunnar D. Naslund Cross Country Memorial Award Fund  
Maggie Radford Nordquist Choral Award Fund  
George M. Steele High School Fund

### Ripon Education Foundation

Ripon Education Foundation Program Fund  
Ripon Education Foundation Scholarship Fund  
Ronnie Eichstedt Memorial Fund  
Licking Memorial Fund  
Jennie Long Tutorial Fund  
Ralph Quinney Scholarship Fund

### Winneconne Area Community Foundation

John Allen Fine Arts Scholarship Fund  
Allenville Grange Scholarship Fund  
Berndt Brothers – Family and Friends Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Dennis and Barb Biggar Family Scholarship Fund  
Big Bucks Bass, Cali Boucher for Juvenile Diabetes Scholarship Fund  
Gretchen Burns Memorials Scholarship Fund  
James Coughlin Leadership Scholarship Fund  
James Coughlin Scholarship Fund  
Rose Coughlin Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Bill and Bernice DiVall Scholarship Fund  
Marie and Collin Gartman Scholarship Fund  
Gene Giddings Scholarship Fund  
Delbert E. Greenman Scholarship Fund  
Dianna Gwiazdzinski Art Scholarship Fund  
Don Hale Scholarship Fund  
Tanner Henschel Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Bill and Edith Hinz Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Marilyn Henze Scholarship Fund  
Robert Jacque Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Larsen-Winchester Lions Club Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Gordon Leistikow Scholarship Fund  
Emil and Doris Lenz Scholarship Fund  
Betsy and Jack Maier Music Fund  
Make Them Proud Scholarship Fund  
D.H. McDonald Family Scholarship Fund  
David Mendoza Tovar Scholarship Fund  
Ken Morin Memorial Scholarship Fund  
**Ruth Schneider Mott Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
Gerald H. Mugeraver Memorial Scholarship Fund  
Lillian Mae Mueller Scholarship Fund  
Dr. Michael & Paulette Olsen Lewis Scholarship Fund  
Edna Palecek Scholarship Fund  
Jack V. Perry Scholarship Fund  
**Pfaendner Family Scholarship Fund**  
Harvey J. and Catharine M. Rengstorf Scholarship Fund  
Mary Roherty Scholarship Fund  
Joseph Stage Educational Opportunity Fund  
Suzanne Schmoker Sutherland Scholarship Fund  
George and Vera Tipler Family Scholarship Fund  
Lola A. White Scholarship Fund  
WCSD Athletic Field Improvement Fund  
Winneconne Area Education Fund  
Winneconne Community School District Emotional Wellness/Mental Health Fund  
Winneconne Community School District Extra Curricular Fund  
Winneconne Community School Scholarship Fund  
**Dale (Chief) Witzke Scholarship**  
Winneconne Roadrunners Scholarship Fund  
Winneconne Community School District Endowment Fund

### Women’s Fund of the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation

Jeanette Hebblewhite Scholarship Fund  
Oshkosh Service League Scholarship Fund  
Stadtmueller-Kilp Scholarship Fund

**Funds established from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 are listed in bold.**



# Legendary Teacher is Recognized with Scholarship Named in Her Honor

## 1978 Graduate Leads the Charge and Established Scholarship Fund in 2014

To say Gladys Veidemanis's 26 years as a teacher in the Oshkosh school system made an impact is a considerable understatement. Mrs. V, as she was fondly known to her students, is legendary among those who were lucky enough to experience her classes. She pushed students to excel; to think and to write well, utilizing proper grammar while illustrating an understanding and comprehension of the subject. She wouldn't accept anything less than a student's best effort and had an uncanny knack for connecting with each student in a personal way, uncovering their unique gifts. She wrote dozens of letters of recommendation for college admissions every year on her students' behalf. Her students would all agree, she left an indelible mark on them.

In one instance, that mark was profound for a former student. Peter Muehrer graduated in 1978 from Oshkosh North High School, and went on to receive his Bachelor of Art Degree in Psychology from Yale University. It was with Mrs. V's encouragement that he applied to Yale. He continued his studies receiving his master's degree and a Doctorate in Clinical and Community Psychology from the University of Maryland, College Park. Dr. Muehrer retired in 2016 after serving nearly 30 years as Chief, Health and Behavior Research Branch of the National Institute of Mental Health.

To illustrate the power of education, and the incredible impact one teacher can have, Dr. Muehrer established the Oshkosh North High School Class of 1978 Gladys Veidemanis Scholarship Fund in 2014. Along with the help of other 1978 Oshkosh North classmates, the fund has grown to \$127,000 and has gifted \$12,500 in scholarships to graduating high school seniors. The fund came as a complete surprise to Mrs. V, having learned of it after it had already been established. Mrs. V noted that as much as she left a mark on her students' lives, so too did they on hers. She states, "I feel privileged and blessed." So do we Mrs. V. So do we.



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# Fox River Scholarship Center



[www.foxriverscholarshipcenter.org](http://www.foxriverscholarshipcenter.org)

Complete, easy-to-use online source for scholarships available in the greater Oshkosh area.

- Search for scholarships
- Explore how schools, majors and grades could make more scholarships available to you
- Apply online or obtain application materials

The Fox River Scholarship Center is the most complete online source for scholarships available to students in the Wisconsin counties of Winnebago, Green Lake and Waushara, and the city of Ripon in Fond du Lac County. This site also serves students from other regions of the United States if their parents work for certain employers based in the Oshkosh, WI, area.

## About the Scholarships

The Fox River Scholarship Center is hosted by the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation. The website includes scholarships managed by the Community Foundation, as well as those offered by community groups, businesses and other organizations. We partner with several area school districts to administer their scholarship funds, including public and private schools in Oshkosh, Omro, Neenah, Winneconne, Wautoma, Green Lake, and Ripon. If your group would like to include its scholarship on this website, please contact our Director of Education at 920.426.3993

## How to Establish a Scholarship Fund

Scholarships have a tremendous impact on the students who receive them. Without scholarships, many students would be unable to attend post-secondary education.

You can set up a scholarship fund now or through your will/estate plan to memorialize a loved one, honor a family member's accomplishments, support a field or trade that you're passionate about or celebrate the educational institutions you attended.

## Choose your focus

- Who should apply?
- Where should students be from?
- Should applicants be limited to certain schools?
- Should this benefit someone with a financial need?
- Should it be to attend a particular college?
- Should it apply to a particular major?
- Must the student meet a GPA minimum?
- Is it a multi-year award?

## Name the Fund

The fund can bear your name, your company name, the name of a loved one or be anonymous.

## Contribute

A \$10,000 gift will allow a scholarship to be awarded in the next scholarship cycle.



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