



Creating Opportunities for Every Child  
2021/2022 Impact Report





Dear Friends,

Five years ago, my wife Sarah and I moved to Aspen from downtown New York City with our four young daughters. We were attracted to all the world class features of this town that have been drawing visitors and transplants from around the globe for generations. But beyond the obvious physical and natural attributes of this town, what clinched it for us was the strength of the local community. Strong public schools are the beating heart of any community—and that is certainly true here in Aspen.

My goal as President of the Aspen Education Foundation is as simple as it is ambitious—to help make the Aspen Public schools one of the premier public education leaders and innovators in the state and eventually in the country. The Aspen community does not set its sights lower in any other area and there is no reason education should be any different.

AEF has leaned in on funding a variety of programs that are helping to push the school district from great to exceptional. Whether it is the transition to a full K-12 International Baccalaureate curriculum, an additional college counselor, mental health resources, or our nationally ranked middle school robotics team—the AEF fingerprints and funding are there in the background. We have also worked hand in hand with the current administration to help solve problems as they come up. In the past year this has meant teacher recruitment and retention bonuses as well as COVID related resources.

Over the past year, it has been exciting to watch the support from the community for the public schools grow. AEF is simply a conduit for that support, and I speak for the whole board when I say we are excited about what we can do to help translate that support into tangible results for our children.

Warmly,

Paul Sohn

Dear Friends,

As I enter my 5th year as Executive Director of AEF, I am invigorated by the progress we have made and the possibilities for change in our district. Together, with the commitment of our parent body and entire school administration, we have brought to fruition the International Baccalaureate program for the whole district, additional mental health counselors in our elementary and middle schools, a newly developed teacher recruitment and retention plan, and an Outdoor Education coordinator, to name just a few of our impact points.

AEF works hand-in-hand with the Superintendent, principals, educators and parents to determine what our schools need and how we can help. Our AEF board members are local business owners, room parents, AHS graduates, substitute teachers, BOE committee members - and are always considering "How can AEF help?"

We feel forever grateful to the small group of parents, who in 1991 imagined bringing philanthropic individuals to provide funding for Aspen's public schools. The State of Colorado fell in the bottom 10% of state funding for public education and our local schools and programs were negatively impacted. Their vision and commitment to a quality education - regardless of state funding - would prove to be transformational. This group called themselves the Aspen Education Foundation (AEF). Today, AEF is the primary fundraising source - and a changemaker - for our local Aspen public schools.

Aspen is a community that celebrates and values the mind, body and spirit. We take care of one another and recognize that our greatest asset is our children and the quality of their education. Families find reprieve in Aspen's safe and thriving public school system. However, this does not come without thought and it does not come free.

The impact of AEF would be impossible without the support of our local community. Our parents, friends, families, small businesses, AHS graduates and grandparents have stood together to improve our children's school experience. It is so exciting to see our impact in real time and we are thrilled to share our progress.

We have made a difference in our students' school day - and that is a great feeling.

Thank you.

Warmly,



Cynthia Chase

**\$17.5m**

Since 1991, AEF has invested over \$17,500,000 in our public schools

**1,505+**

students a year use at least one AEF program

**90%**

of students list an AEF program as why they love school

## Financials

We are grateful to our local community for an outstanding fundraising year. AEF was able to fund more school programs and positions than ever before—while at the same time investing in our future through the endowment.

As we look toward the future, AEF has ambitious goals to support and elevate Aspen School District. We will continue to fund our annual primary programs, but will also build the program endowments—so all future generations will benefit as our students do today. This year we are proud to have done just that. AEF is also committed to supporting our district with teacher retention, recruitment and housing. And, as we continue to recover from online learning, we want to remain flexible to provide additional academic assistance.

We can't do this without our community's support. Please join us, however you can, to support our students and our district. After all, our kids can't make changes to their educational model—but we can.

### INCOME

<b>\$425,000</b>	<b>Annual Fund</b>
<b>\$1,500,000</b>	<b>Event Income</b>
<b>\$70,000</b>	<b>Restricted Gifts</b>

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**\$1,995,000**      **Total Income**

### GRANTS

<b>\$60,000</b>	<b>Academic Support</b> ASD K-12/ Aspen Community School
<b>\$200,000</b>	<b>International Baccalaureate (IB) program</b> AHS K-12
<b>\$72,000</b>	<b>STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics)</b> ASD K-12
<b>\$85,000</b>	<b>Aspen Middle School Counselor</b> AMS 5-8
<b>\$85,000</b>	<b>Aspen Elementary School Counselor</b> AES K-4
<b>\$85,000</b>	<b>Post-Secondary Counseling</b> AHS 9-12
<b>\$175,000</b>	<b>Outdoor Education (ODE) and Experiential Education (Ex Ed)</b> Scholarships and teacher trainings and program coordinator ASD K-12
<b>\$44,000</b>	<b>Teacher Recruitment and Retention</b> ASD K-12
<b>\$70,000</b>	<b>Restricted Gifts</b>
<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>Aspen Family Connections</b> ASD K-12/ Aspen Community School

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**\$976,000**      **Total Grants**

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**\$750,000**      **Endowment Deposit**

## Outdoor/Experiential Education

Outdoor Ed and ExEd are hallmark programs of Aspen School District (ASD) and AEF. Since its inception in 1968, Outdoor Ed has expanded greatly to offer beyond-classroom educational experiences in which students participate in a variety of outdoor challenges—hiking, climbing, rafting, ropes courses and group initiatives in the wilderness. The high school ExEd program has evolved to include a variety of national destinations for cultural, artistic, urban or community-based learning. Outdoor Ed and ExEd across all grades within the ASD provide carefully chosen activities that require students to take initiative, make decisions, reflect and analyze, and be accountable for the results. These experiences offer growth opportunities that are life changing. AEF funds scholarships so every student, in all grades, can participate. We also fund teacher training programs and wilderness certifications to ensure the highest quality experience. New this year, AEF will fund for a full-time Outdoor Ed/ExEd coordinator. This position will ensure that all safety measures are taken, that the curriculum is aligned with the school curriculum, and that the program is held to the highest standards.



## 25 miles

trekked by each eighth grader  
in the wilderness to reach their  
overnight 24 hour solo

## 55 years

of Outdoor Ed and ExEd  
in Aspen school district

## \$75,000

in scholarships given each year



*“The confidence that I gained from spending 24 hours alone on my 8th grade solo helped me in more ways than I could have imagined. Outdoor Ed is full of lessons that could never be taught in a classroom—yet invaluable to our education.”*

— Zach Small

ASD K-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
University of Michigan Class of 2026



*“When I reflect about memories from highschool one of the first things to come to mind are my outdoor ed trips. I was lucky enough to have three amazing trips, and each one allowed me to grow physically, emotionally and mentally helping me become who I am today.”*

— Lindsey Heinecken

ACS K-7, ASD 7-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
Chapman University Class of 2026

## STEAM

Through STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) classes, our students are building the important life skills of problem solving, critical thinking, creativity, leadership and resilience. They are also having fun and developing a love of learning.

Robotics and aeronautics are two of the electives supported by AEF. Engineering is a key element and students have the opportunity to learn advanced CAD/CAM and Java programming. In the last two years, Aspen High School sent 3 teams to the State Robotics Tournament in Denver, and Aspen Middle School had 2 teams advance to the Colorado State tournament in Littleton. AEF has a strong Robotics Endowment and is proud to support the Robotics program and to ensure that all future generations of Aspen students will have access to Robotics at AES, AMS and AHS.

Visual and performing arts are essential to the development of creativity, resilience and self expression. With AEF and community support, we are fortunate to have a strong theater, music, and studio arts program in the school district. Our District Theater regularly showcases our talented student performers. Advanced students in our district are able to enroll in IB classes in music and visual arts.



*"I've always wanted to focus on science, and Aspen High School not only made it possible, but seamless. The teachers were phenomenal and inspired my curiosity. Thanks to Mark Whitley's willingness to drag a telescope out to Moore field, I had a stellar view of the rings of Saturn. Sarah Benson's humor and compassion allowed me to keep my composure when my fledgling experiments with yeast failed many times over. The science department at AHS gifted me the confidence and tenacity to study neuroscience at UCLA. Thanks Aspen High School!"*

— Gemma Hill

ASD 9-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
**UCLA Class of 2026**

## Academic Support

The Aspen School District is committed to the development of the whole child. AEF offers academic support and intervention and helps to support individual education plans for every student. Specifically, AEF provides the funding for an intervention specialist in the middle school and the Aspen Community School—as well as math and literacy support at every grade level. We are also proud to support Read with Me, a program that connects volunteers with elementary students to encourage the enjoyment of reading.

With the continued challenges from the COVID learning environment, AEF is working closely with the district to determine additional needs to support our students.



*“My brother, Teddy, has autism and was really worried about starting the high school because he doesn’t do well with change. The day he started, the teachers and support staff and students were all coming up to say hello to him. Within a week he said there was nowhere else he would ever want to go to high school. Teddy and I have very different needs and the school has been able to provide for both of us.”*

— Will Stiller

ASD 3-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
Georgetown University Class of 2026

**560**  
students at AHS will have access to  
math and literacy support from interventionists  
during SET class in fall 2022

**NEW**  
AHS student support team will open  
the Skier Resource Center, a new  
peer tutoring center, in fall 2022



AEF is supporting Aspen Words  
workshops in AMS to work with  
every single student

## International Baccalaureate Program

We are so excited that the Aspen School District is now a candidate school for the International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Programme and is pursuing authorization as an IB World School. This means that the IB program will be offered to our students in grades K-12, starting in the fall of 2023. AEF is thrilled to support this program and this transition. In the past year, teachers and staff worked together to create and craft IB units of study across academic disciplines at AES, AMS and AHS. This summer, teachers and administrators have participated in IB professional development training and courses across the state and country. The district-wide IB program is well on its way to all of our students!

The IB program teaches our students to think critically and to learn within an inquiry-based model. Adding IB to AES and AMS will connect our schools and support students' progression from grade-to-grade using the same approach to learning. As the program progresses, AEF is committed to providing the funding necessary to bring IB learning to all students.



**100%**

of our seniors took an IB class during their time at AHS

**24**

IB course options will be available to AHS juniors and seniors for the 2022/23 school year

**22**

seniors earned the IB Diploma in 2022



*"The IB diploma was different than any other education I had previously received in the sense that it adequately equipped me with the worldly knowledge and character skills that actually apply to real life. I had the privilege of being taught by the most knowledgeable, helpful, and kindest teachers. The work I put into my IB diploma is what has prepared me for university and life beyond that."*

—Thea Hecht

ASD 9-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
**Boston University Class of 2026**



*"I feel incredibly lucky to have attended the Aspen School District these past few years, as I owe much of my growth to the constant support of ASD teachers and staff. They encourage a global mindset both in and out of the classroom, strive to develop meaningful peer to peer relationships, and cultivate a community of lifelong learners."*

— Laila Khan-Farooqi

ASD 7-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
**Duke University Class of 2026**

## Post-Secondary & College Counseling

The Aspen High School Post-Secondary Counseling Program is dedicated to helping all students make the best possible decision for their time after high school. Our Post-Secondary team prepares each student for post-secondary success via one-on-one meetings, parent evenings, and student workshops and classes. This year, our 136 seniors applied to 267 distinct public and private colleges and universities. 129 will attend college, 3 will attend trade school, 2 will participate in an apprenticeship, 1 will join the military and 1 will enter the workforce. Our counselors helped each student find the right path for after high school. We are so proud of their choices!

How is this individualized attention possible in a public school setting? AEF funds one of the full-time Post-Secondary counselors. Each counselor works with juniors and seniors, and has a student:counselor ratio of 136:1. The American School Counselor Association recommendation is 250:1. This is truly a rare opportunity in a public school today.

Please visit our website to see exactly where our seniors will be headed next year!



# 136:1

**student:counselor ratio.**  
(The American School Counselor Association recommendation is 250:1)

# 95%

**applied and were accepted to college in 2020**



*“Throughout the whole college counseling process, Charlie put me in a position that made me feel as if he wanted what was truly best for me - and he was willing to put in the extra time and effort to make it was also enjoyable. Susanne added a level of fun to the process and made sure I had everything submitted on time.”*

— Martin Scanlan  
ASD 9-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
**Endicott College Class of 2026**



*“The AHS college counseling department was by my side every step of the way. They definitely had my best interests in mind and helped me find the right place for me.”*

— Stella Halferty  
ASD K-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
**University of Wisconsin Class of 2026**

## Mental Health Support & Aspen Family Connections

### Supporting the Whole Child

Working closely with the district, AEF is committed to funding positions and programs to support our students' emotional well-being. For the last three years, AEF funded a second counselor in the Aspen Middle School (AMS). This year, with the help of an individual donor, AEF will also add a second counselor to the Aspen Elementary School (AES). This will enable our school counselors to be in touch with every student and to offer counseling services back-to-back every day. We are thrilled to be offering this support.

AEF is also very proud to support Aspen Family Connections (AFC) as one of our priority programs. Post-Covid, the AFC team had a particularly busy school year, helping our district students and their families navigate life in the wake of the pandemic. The team served 174 families (444 individuals) with individualized case management support, connecting them to resources including mental health, academic tutoring, extra-curricular activities, economic and basic needs. An exciting development was the arrival of two new team members, Renee Giles and Emily Cackett, hired through a partnership between the district and City of Aspen, funded by the City's Tobacco Tax, to bring the district new focus on prevention and community collaboration.

**4**

**New clubs started at AMS to support varying student needs (ie: SPARK - students promoting respect and kindness)**

**250:1**

**In 2022/23 both the AES and AMS will meet the national school counselor ratio of 250:1**



*"The most rewarding part for me is watching certain students walk across the graduation stage to receive their diplomas, seeing their proud families, and knowing that privately, behind the scenes and over several years, we had connected them to resources, services and more. These young people can change the trajectories of their own and their families' lives, and we are honored to be able to play a part in making their journeys possible."*

— Katherine Sand  
Director Aspen Family Connections

## AEF Alumni

With over 1,600 active members, the Aspen High School Alumni Association on Facebook has been revitalized to help former AHS students connect with one another and for faculty and leadership at the Aspen School District to share exciting news, opportunities to engage with the school or to welcome newly minted seniors to the Alumni group. With the assistance of AEF board member and AHS Alum, Maxwell Rispoli, Class of 2010, the group has grown in size and in active participation. As the group continues to grow and develop, Max hopes to enable the platform to aid in the establishment of future alumni events, class reunions and keep the group connected with the wider Aspen community.

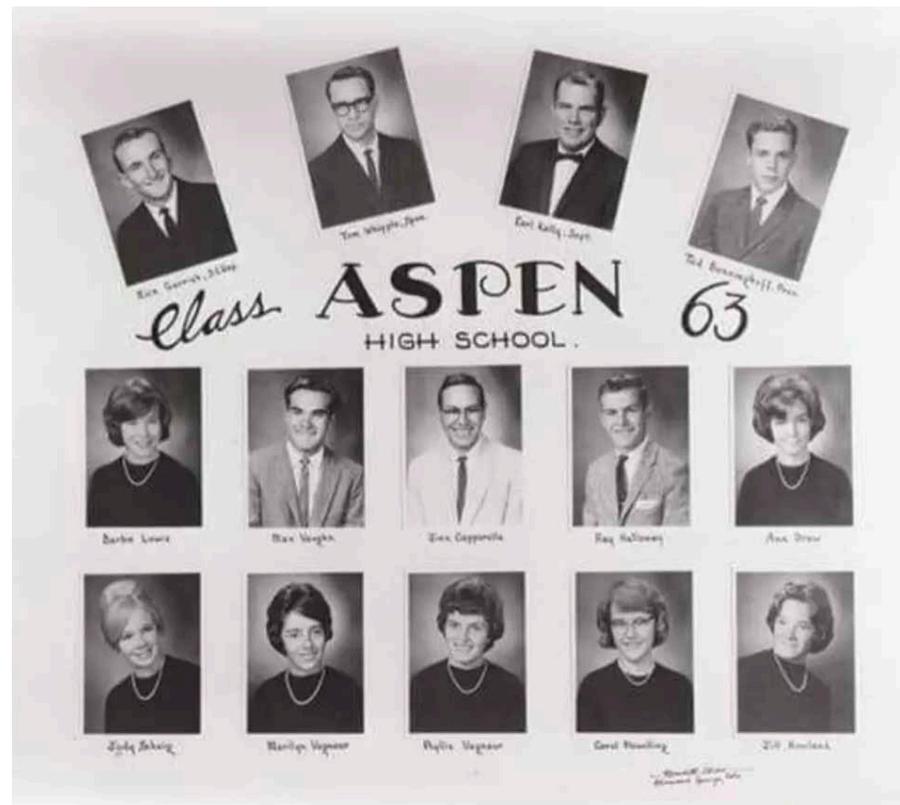
If you are interested in joining the Alumni group, please find us on Facebook at “Aspen High School Alumni Association”.



*“The Aspen school district has done so much for me. They bring me so much joy and happiness. I’ve never been happier in my life. During the pandemic the community helped me a lot with support and it shaped me into a person that wants to help the larger community—just like the school does.”*

—Christian Morencio

ASD K-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
**University of Colorado Class of 2026**



## AEF Ambassadors

AEF believes that our students are the best spokespeople for our programs and the impact that they have. That is why, in 2018, the AEF Ambassador Club was formed. In addition to helping AEF introduce our organization to families at back-to-school night and at the Flamingo fundraiser, student ambassadors also volunteer throughout the year within our community in meaningful ways, like raising money for Aspen Family Connections or creating a pen-pal program with senior citizens in our valley. This year, two of our ambassadors created a video series for our social media channels, called the AEF Student Series. This ongoing project features lively, engaging student interviews, of all ages, about various programs that AEF supports. [Here is an example](#) from the popular Student Series on Robotics. We can't wait to see what the AEF Ambassador Club does in our schools and community next year!



## AEF Ambassadors 2021/22

Reese Leonard, Co-President  
Will Stiller, Co-President

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Cassidy Young



*"IB created a challenging and personal experience within a public high school that elevated my learning. It also allowed for me and my peers to look outside the box and think critically about not only school work but also real world situations."*

— Reese Leonard  
ASD 9-12  
AHS Class of 2022  
**University of Virginia Class of 2026**

# Flamingo 2021

Our annual Flamingo fundraiser is the highlight of AEF's fundraising year. Energized with a new format, our attendees "flocked" to seven different local restaurants in town. The theme was Tinsel & Tartan, and our sparkles and plaid-clad community definitely came out in style! Our restaurant owners each went above and beyond to create a fabulous menu and lively drinks. The night was festive, intimate and a fabulous connection between our local restaurants and our local public school. There was a spirited live auction with trips and unforgettable experiences that raised record amounts for the school. The annual paddle raise reinforced our community's commitment to public education. It was our most successful Flamingo to-date and a night we will never forget.



## Flamingo, December 11, 2021

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### A Special Thank You To:

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 And to Mary & Adam Cherry, Amy & Jeff Verschleiser and Michelle Fox for underwriting the teacher restaurant.

## Donor List

We are truly fortunate to live in a community that values strong public education. It is because of these supporters that our schools are filled with possibility. We would like to take this time to thank our donors from our 2021/22 fundraising years.

### \$100,000+

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Our sincere apologies if we omitted a name

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As we look toward the future, AEF has ambitious goals to support and elevate Aspen School District. AEF will continue to fund our annual primary programs, but will also build the program endowments, so that all future generations will benefit as our students do today. AEF is also committed to raising money for the implementation of IB throughout the entire district, in grades K-12. And, as we transition out of a year with online learning, we want to remain flexible to provide additional academic assistance where and when it is needed.

We cannot do this without our community support. Please join us, however you can, to support our students and our district. After all, our kids can't make changes to their educational model — but we can.

