

WCEF TK-12



# Impact Report 2022-23



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# **Our Mission**

WCEF TK-12 is a volunteer-driven nonprofit that raises money to close the public education funding gap and help deliver comprehensive programs and wellness initiatives to ensure every student reaches their full potential.

# Our Vision

WCEF TK-12 envisions a community where every student has access to a high quality, engaging, and equitable education and is equipped with the skills and knowledge to succeed in an ever-evolving world.

















# **President's Message**



## Dear WCEF Supporters and Partners,

The Walnut Creek Education Foundation (WCEF TK-12) has had an extraordinary year! With the dedicated commitment of **1,919** generous donors, we have raised an impressive **\$1,387,673** towards our goal of \$1.4 million. This remarkable achievement would not have been possible without the collective efforts of many who recognize the importance of quality education and its profound impact on our community's future.

Here is a snapshot of what we were able to achieve:

- WCEF granted
  - \$502,700 for 36 weeks of art, music, and science lab for TK-5
  - \$277,300 for additional electives, a WCSD credentialed librarian and math coach for students at WCI and Tice Creek
  - \$460,000 for 14 additional class sections, additional support in the College and Career Center, and a fully staffed Wellness Center to benefit all 1,585 Knights

Once again, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to our incredible community for your unwavering support. Together, we are transforming lives and empowering our students to become tomorrow's leaders. It is an honor to serve as President of the Walnut Creek Education Foundation. I am excited to celebrate our upcoming 40th anniversary and the positive impact we will continue to make, thanks to your partnership.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Eryn King 2022-23 WCEF President



Since its founding in 1983, the Walnut Creek Education Foundation (WCEF TK-12) has helped the Walnut Creek School District and Las Lomas High School provide a well-rounded public education for all students. We work in partnership with parents and the community to support innovative and core programs that are vital to a comprehensive education.

5,131

Students benefited from your donations

1,919

WCEF donors (donor list)

\$1,240,000

Granted to eight schools in 2022-23

After the passage of Proposition 13 in 1978, education foundations were formed throughout the state to bridge the gap between the resulting funding model for public schools and the realistic needs of our students.

WCEF was founded in 1983 by parents who were concerned about the impact of budget cuts on public education.

Today, WCEF continues to be a crucial pipeline between community support and a properly funded education for all students.







# **Your Donation Supports:**



### Music

Funding music in TK-5, the middle schools, and Las Lomas high school. Your donations ensure students have the opportunity to learn and explore music education

**DID YOU KNOW?** TK-5 music is not required or funded by the state.



### Science

Your donations help fund weekly science classes for TK-5 students to provide the opportunity to ask questions, test ideas, and solve problems. These classes serve as a foundation for electives in the upper grades.



### The Arts

Your contribution ensures that all students from TK-12 are exposed to the arts. Because of WCEF, Las Lomas students have over 23 classes in the arts to select from.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

California only requires 1 year of art to graduate



# **Library & Literacy**

Your donation helps fund the WCSD credentialed librarian and ensures our libraries are open. Librarians are skilled in helping students safely search and vet resources.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Only 9% of schools in California have a credentialed librarian.



# Wellness

Mental health of our Las Lomas Knights is important. Your donations guarantee the Wellness Center is open and fully staffed to support all 1,585 students.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

1 in 6 U.S. youth aged 6–17 experience a mental health disorder each year.

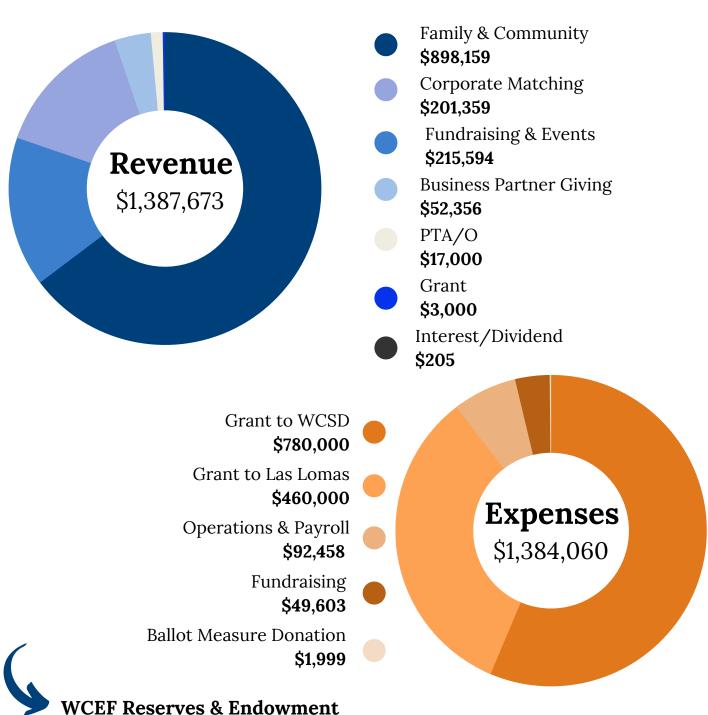


## **College & Career**

Your contribution supports a variety of electives; including AP's, Honors, Career pathways, and languages. Additional support to the College & Career Center provides staff to help students determine their path post graduation

# **Financial Support for Our Schools**

Your contribution to WCEF provides vital funding that helps our schools provide a comprehensive education for all students. Grants from WCEF funded critical programs and salaries in the 2022-23 academic year.



as of June 30, 2023

Reserves = \$382,502

28% of approved 2022-23 expenses

Endowment = \$94,346

# **Business Partners**

# \$10,000+ PLATINUM



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### **\$5,000 PARTNERS**



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#### **WCEF Staff**

Executive Director - Joanna Grossman (80%)

#### Consultant

Database Manager - Alison McDaniel