

#### WHAT IS THE NORTHAMPTON AREA KONKRETE KIDS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION?

The Northampton Area Konkrete Kids Educational Foundation, established in 2009 by a group of community volunteers, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax-exempt organization whose primary goal is to support and finance innovative programs that enhance the quality of education for Northampton Area School District K-12 students. The Foundation provides the District's teachers and administrators with funds that are used to extend learning opportunities and co-curricular experiences for the benefit of the entire school community.

# WHAT DOES THE FOUNDATION DO FOR NORTHAMPTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS

# **GRANTS**

The Foundation funds Grant Requests submitted by the District teachers and administrators that enhance the quality of K-12 education throughout the District. Since its establishment in 2009, the Foundation has provided over \$146,000 for projects. Examples of those projects include the following:

- Camp Invention Summer Program (a STEAM focused enrichment program for elementary/middle school students
- Heart Rate Monitors for Health/Wellness/Fitness programs
- Artist-in-Residence for High School Murals installed in High School and Northampton Area Public Library
- Author-in-Residence for elementary students
- Microbot, Ozobot Technology to develop coding skills for elementary students
- Project Pride Internet connections for low-income students
- Digital Mixing Console for High School music/band students
- In-School Programs/Assembly Programs: Rachel's Pride (No Place for Hate) Moore Elementary; "Cat in the Hat" Literacy Program Lehigh Elementary; Dig Show and Mad Science Program Lehigh Elementary; "Romeo and Juliet" performance HS
- Large format printer for High School Digital Arts program
- Accelerated Reading materials Siegfried Elementary

# **DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM**

The Foundation sponsors the Dual Enrollment Program at Northampton Area High School. The Dual Enrollment Program is a partnership between the High School and Northampton Community College which enables 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> students in "good academic standing" to enroll in college-level courses while still enrolled in classes at the high school. Students then receive both college and high school graduation credits for the college courses they successfully complete. The Foundation has provided over \$50,000 to help defray the tuition costs for those students in this program since its inception at the High School.

# HOW DOES THE NORTHAMPTON AREA KONKRETE KIDS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION RAISE MONEY TO FUND GRANT REQUESTS AND OTHER PROGRAMS?

The Foundation relies solely on fundraisers, sponsors, and donations to provide the funding to support and finance the various grants that serve to enhance the quality of learning opportunities and experiences for the District's K-12 students. A key component of the success of the Foundation is the number of volunteers who contribute their time, talents, and efforts to make each fundraiser a success!

#### WHAT ARE THE FOUNDATION'S MAJOR FUNDRAISERS?

#### Oldies Dance – Saturday, October 29, 2022

Held at Northampton Community Center, this popular event features live music by DESIRE and a hot buffet and beverages. Must be 21 years old to attend. Contact: Paulette Fritz, 610-509-8173 for information/tickets.

#### **Annual Golf Tournament** – Monday, June 20, 2022

Held at Woodstone Country Club and Lodge, this event includes the opportunity to play golf on a premier course, win outstanding prizes, and enjoy a delicious meal with fellow golfers. Contact: Bill Conner, connerw66@msn.com for information/registration.

## **Paver Project** – Ongoing

This project encourages the purchase of a brick paver that will be engraved with a person's name/family names/a message/graduation date and then placed within the memorial plaza located outside the entrance to Al Erdosy Stadium and the new District swimming pool. The paver is a perfect memorial or a gift to celebrate a graduation, birthday, or special event in a NASD graduate's life. Two paver sizes are available - 4x8 (\$75); 8x8 (\$150). For more information/order forms, please go to www.konkretefoundation.org or contact 610-767-7824.

<u>Distinguished Alumni Award 2022 Wall of Honor CELEBRATION</u> – Sunday, September 25, 2022 Held at Woodstone Country Club and Lodge, this annual event honors NAHS graduates who have demonstrated leadership and excellence in their professional and personal lives, and who represent NASD's proud education tradition and commitment to serving others.

## The 2022 Distinguished Alumni Wall of Honor inductees

Thomas Becker, PhD.	Class of 1981
Larry Kemmerer	Class of 1965
Stephen Kerbacher	Class of 1983
Edward Novogratz (deceased)	Class of 1949
Thomas Reenock	Class of 1958
Peter Schneider, Jr.	Class of 1966
Tim Tepes	Class of 1986

For information, tickets, sponsorship opportunities, and additional ways to support this project and fundraiser, please go to www.konkretefoundation.org.

#### Volunteer

The Foundation invites you to join us in supporting students throughout the Northampton Area School District by becoming a volunteer. We need volunteers for each of our fundraisers, and we're always looking for people who can give some time to help make each fundraiser a success. There is no minimum or maximum of amount of time required to be a volunteer. Just your assistance is requested! If you are interested in becoming a Foundation volunteer, please contact Claudia at 610-767-7824 for additional information. We look forward to hearing from you!