



Redfield School Foundation Report

Homecoming 2019 www.redfieldschoolfoundation.org

The Redfield School Foundation was established in 2003 to provide a permanent source of financial support to Redfield Public Schools. An independent, tax-exempt nonprofit organization, it supports the school in two fundamental ways: making grants to school staff for projects that meet priorities established by the board of directors and raising funds to meet capital needs.

Building To Be Completed in Fall Says New Superintendent



George Seiler joined Redfield Schools during summer 2019 as the new Superintendent and executive secretary of the Redfield School Foundation. He comes to Redfield from New Underwood where he served as superintendent. Prior to that he was a principal in Kadoka.

It's a great time to be a Pheasant, and the new school construction is nearing completion. The south activities entrance is taking a little longer than initially

thought, but it should be finished in October. The north activities entrance, one of my favorite areas in the new building, is scheduled for completion in November, and I can't wait until people see how they tied in the old building with the new. The auditorium should also be ready in November.

In November, we will do a concert in the auditorium with our band and choir, and we hope some alumni band and choir members will join us. At the end of the night, we will open the time capsule that we found during the demolition of the old building.

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Foundation Awards Over \$11,000 to School Projects

In its spring 2019 meeting, the Redfield School Foundation board approved several grants of more than \$11,300 to support professional development and family outreach. The funded activities occurred primarily in summer 2019, but some will take place during the 2019-2020 school year.

In summer 2019, several staff took part in professional development. The elementary principal, counselor and several teachers continued their work in Customized Learning, a customized pedagogical approach to teaching and learning in grades 3-5. The foundation of this project is to create voice and choice for students in how to show their learning and how they have mastered their learning objectives.

Another six teachers participated in Life Skills Classroom Training, a hands-on program focusing on principles of teaching individuals with special education needs via structured visual instruction. As a result, classroom staff will feel confident in working with students of varying ability levels and understand their role and expectations throughout the year with all students.

The Foundation also supported a beginning of the year Block Party in line with the school's strategic plan, which promotes family engagement opportunities. The Party welcomed parents and families at the open house in August.

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New Scholarship Honors Teacher

The Redfield School Foundation wishes to thank the family of the late Letha Gallup, former Redfield elementary school teacher, who passed away earlier this year, for establishing the Letha Gallup Scholarship with the Foundation. The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating RHS senior who intends to pursue an education degree, with a priority going to students pursuing elementary education. Criteria for earning the scholarship include academic performance, extracurricular activities and financial need.

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The auxiliary gym and elementary are completed and were ready to go for this school year. When you walk into the elementary building, it feels like an elementary, with vibrant colors and open areas for the kids. The builders did a great job in the auxiliary gym, and it looks incredible. It is an excellent addition for the school and will allow our student-athletes to have a variety of practice areas with all of the facilities in the district.

Please come and visit at any time. We would love to give you a tour of *your* new school.

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During the 2019-2020 school year, the elementary staff will again do a book study, which is being funded by the Foundation. The book has not been finalized at this time.

In January, three school districts will meet to work with a speaker who will provide an educational, spirited and encouraging presentation. In March, the art teacher will attend the National Arts in Education Convention, the top event for art educators in the country. Through the workshops, tours, and exhibits, she will learn new projects, techniques, and ideas to benefit students.



Another One Bites the Dust

In summer 2019, the Elementary School Building, built in 1963, became the final domino to fall in the school construction project.

Quick Looks Inside and Outside the New School (in process)



Elementary school (above)



Auxiliary gym (left)



Library (above)



North activities entrance (left)

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Scholarships Support Graduates

In 2007, the Redfield School Foundation became the fiscal agent for the Redfield High School Alumni Association scholarship fund, which was established in 1976. The scholarship fund provides scholarships to graduating seniors every year. In mid-2019, the scholarship fund's balance was just over \$245,000. Today, the Foundation manages 15 scholarship funds, and in May 2019, 13 graduating seniors received 17 scholarship awards totaling \$10,800. Since 1976, the fund has awarded more than \$205,000 in scholarships, \$135,000 since the Foundation took over management. The Foundation manages the following scholarship funds:

Henry Baker Scholarship
 Letha Gallup Scholarship
 Annabelle Gill Scholarship
 Hancock Scholarships
 Harrington Scholarship
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For information on creating a scholarship, contact: RedfieldSchoolFoundation@k12.sd.us, visit www.redfieldschoolfoundation.org, or use the form on p. 6.

Redfield School Legacy Fellowship

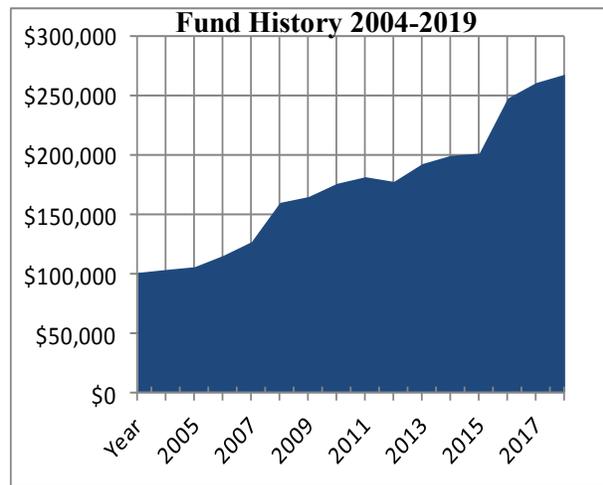
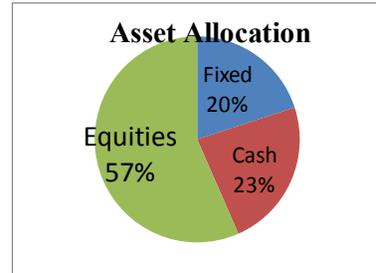
Thank you to those who have included the Redfield School in their estate plan .

Arlene Haug	Bruce Christensen
Henry Baker	Annabelle Gill
Don Bradley	Richard Martsfield

For information on including the school in your estate plan, contact the Foundation.

Financial Overview 2018-2019

The Foundation began the 2018-2019 fiscal year with a balance of \$261,671 and ended the year at \$270,541. During the year, it received total income of \$20,974. This included nearly \$2,700 in memorial gifts in honor of deceased loved ones as well as donations for the new school, the scoreboard, and general donations. Just over \$3,900 was distributed to the school for grants and the scoreboard (the remainder of grants approved in the spring meeting were paid in the 2019-2020 fiscal year). Other expenses accounted for about \$8,000. The Foundation is implementing a plan to invest its assets with a target of about 50% in equities and the remainder in cash and fixed investments.



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