



2022-2023 Annual Report

The year in numbers:

10 years of Gold Level performance awards for our Take Stock in Children program



39 Teachers of the Year celebrated in January 2023



\$127,664 awarded Catalyst for Change grants to teachers, and 4 district-wide professional development programs hosted



\$630,000 awarded in post-secondary scholarships



\$1.43 Million in financial aid obtained by our Take Stock in Children seniors



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Executive Director's Update

It's been one full year since I started at The Ed Foundation.

A year of learning what an amazing group of volunteers and staff we have to support local students. And though I am super proud of the numbers listed on the previous page, ***it goes so much further than numbers.***

It is mentors whose faces light up when they talk about their Take Stock in Children experience. It is the pride they feel in knowing they have supported children who overcame difficult times including mental illness, house fires, incarcerated parents--all of them supported by the Take Stock staff and amazing mentors who faithfully volunteer to show up for students living in poverty.

It is reading through Senior Scholarship essays and being moved to tears by students who share how being in band at GHS saved them and made them feel part of something special, or how much a scholarship will mean to their family who is genuinely worried about paying for an education that can change the trajectory of their lives.

It is knowing that a Catalyst for Change grant helped a student see the ocean for the first time in their 11 years of life. Or even hearing a teacher say, *"this is the best day of my 20 year teaching career!"*

When you support The Education Foundation of Alachua County, you open up new worlds for students. ***Thank you.***

With gratitude,

Jayne

Jayne Moraski
Executive Director



To learn more about our impact on local education, to become a mentor for Take Stock in Children, or to donate to our mission, please visit our website or contact us at:

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Senior Scholarships

Local individuals, families, businesses, and civic organizations have donated scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$100,000, available to all ACPS students.

Through college scholarships, students are empowered and equipped to graduate from high school and succeed at the next level. One portal for over 60 scholarships makes it easier for high school seniors during the college application process. For many, it is that last piece of the puzzle to make college affordable.

\$138,500

In Senior Scholarships
awarded

66

separate
scholarships

Take Stock in Children



Take Stock in Children mentoring and scholarship program provided **270 deserving, low-income students** with one-on-one support through caring volunteer mentors, professional college success services, with the continued opportunity to earn a Florida Prepaid college scholarship this school year.

For the third straight summer, we hosted the STEM camp for Take Stock in Children scholars. Funded by the Duke Energy Foundation, students learned about: Engineering Disciplines, Forensics, Microbit Coding, 3D Printing, and Water Conservation. We partnered with Campbell-Spellicy Engineering, Solar Impact, UF Engineering and science teachers from Buchholz and Gainesville High Schools for this camp.

STEM camp exposed me to the variety of life that surrounds me without me knowing.

100%

graduation
rate for 2022

\$1.43M

secured in financial
aid by our 61 seniors

64

new
students

10th

year of
Gold Level
Performance



I am the oldest child in a single parent home. My mother has been working hard everyday making sure my brother and I have the things we need, but thankfully this scholarship will help reduce my out of pocket expenses like high tuition cost and books. Most of all, this scholarship would help lessen the burden of my mom having to choose between paying the electric bill over helping support my college expenses.
Thank you again.

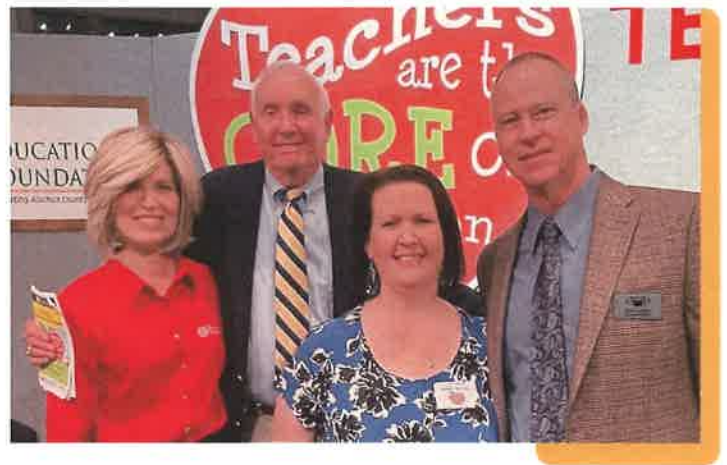
Teacher Support & Teacher of the Year

ElevatEd is a teacher professional development conference led by our teachers held June 2, 2023 with keynote speaker Principal Kafele.

In collaboration with the Education Foundation and school district's Professional Development Department, Alachua County's Teacher Leadership Council hosted this event to elevate and celebrate the teaching profession.

There were **177 educators in attendance, the largest ever**. In a post survey, **100%** of them stated they would implement something they learned at this conference in their classrooms during this school year.

This only highlights one of four district-wide professional development opportunities supported by our Foundation. In addition to the funding used for the Teacher of the Year event,



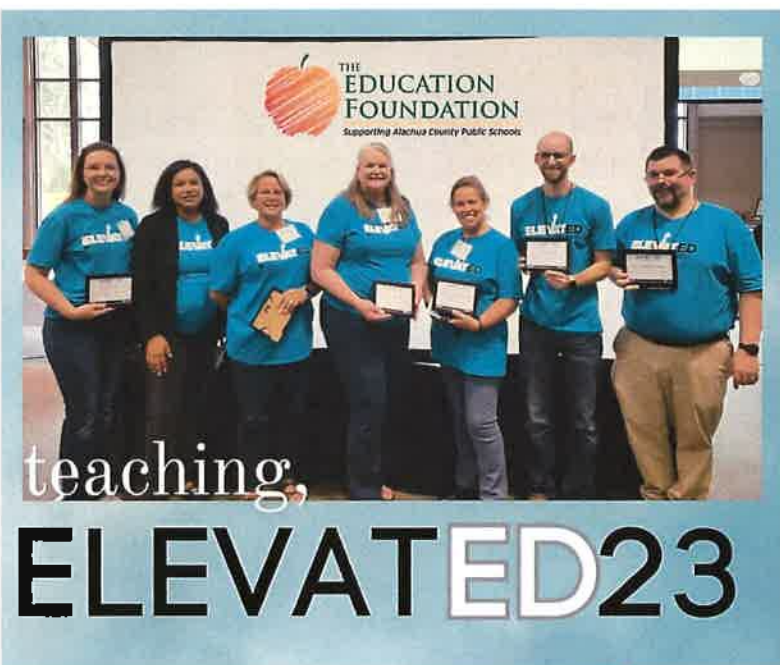
On January 26, 2023, we celebrated the 31st Annual Robert W. Hughes **Teacher of the Year Program**.

Karen Kearney, Anatomy and Physiology teacher at Buchholz, was named the 2023 ACPS Teacher of the Year.

Every time a former student reaches out to me to tell me that what they've learned in my class is helping them be successful... I think to myself, **'This is why I teach.'**

Karen Kearney,
2023 ACPS Teacher of the Year

Thank you to all the partners who support this program, including our primary sponsors **Cox, Florida Credit Union, and SWI Photographers!**



Catalyst for Change Grants

This year we awarded innovative teachers:

9 STEM grants, and **10** traditional grants for a total **\$66,095.86** in classroom grants. **PLUS** 4 district-wide initiatives were awarded for a total of 23 projects that impacted:

12,865 students and 648 teachers impacted.

These projects are designed to reduce educational disparities, and focus on:

- Low-Performing Students
- STEM
- Career/Technical Education
- Literacy
- Teaching Quality/Improving Classroom Instruction
- High School Graduation Rates

The grants featured here are just two of the amazing grants awarded during the 2022-2023 school year.



Littlewood Elementary Book Club
Teacher: Charlotte Grace
Impacted 50 readers

Early literacy is a key focus for the school district. This project addresses the School's Improvement Plan goal of lessening the English Language Arts achievement gap from 42% to 39%.

By reducing the achievement gap and increasing reading efficacy, the book club contributes to this goal by encouraging a love for learning.

Seahorse Key Experience
Teacher: Emily Taylor
Lawton Chiles Elementary
110 students and 5 teachers

This project implemented project-based STEM programs through a field trip experience to UF's research center in Cedar Key. A majority of students had never seen the ocean. Mrs. Taylor said, *"This is absolutely the best day of my 20+ years of teaching!"*

Participating in this field investigation increased our students' ecological and social knowledge and taught them about the importance of sustaining wildlife resources.

The Ed Gala

Close to **300 guests** enjoyed a Masquerade themed evening celebrating the talents of Alachua County Public School students and the impact of The Education Foundation.

Thank you to all our sponsors who generated over **\$88,000** to support our mission and programs!



Fundraising Campaigns

Through the Community Foundation of North Central Florida's Amazing Give we were able to raise **\$127,000** for our Take Stock in Children program. The best part is, all of these donations will be matched dollar for dollar by the Florida State Legislature. Special thanks to Oak Hammock residents and Nancy Perry as the largest contributors to The Education Foundation's Take Stock program. To date, **Oak Hammock residents have sponsored 179 Take Stock in Children scholarships!**



This year, Florida Credit Union partnered with the University of Florida Men's and Women's Basketball teams to create the **Beyond the Arc** campaign in which Florida Credit Union donated \$25 for every 3 point shot that each team made this season. In total The Education Foundation earned **\$10,050** from this campaign. *Thanks Florida Credit Union and Go Gators!*

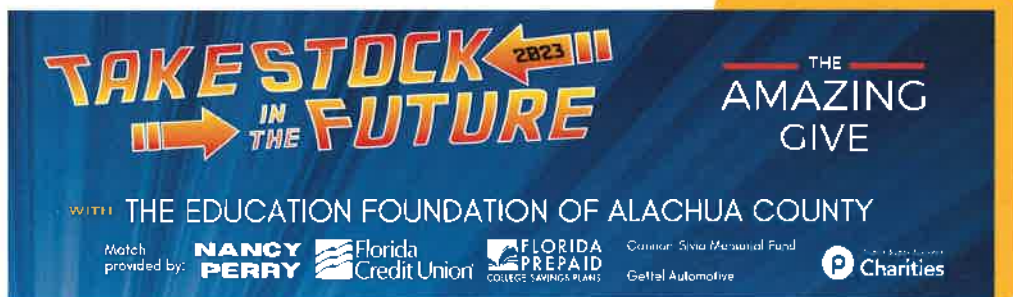


Nonprofit of the Year & Fierce Award Winner



We were awarded the **2022 Nonprofit of the Year** from the **GNV Chamber of Commerce**, due to our award-winning programs, our collaboration with the School District, and partner agencies to help every student.

Tia Paul was recognized as one of Gainesville's Fierce women leaders for 2022 from the Guide to Greater Gainesville for her work at the Foundation over the past 9 years!



Financial Impact

The Education Foundation

Jul '22 - Jun 23

Income

CONTRIBUTED SUPPORT	227,663.89
SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS	176,726.88
TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN	426,513.36
FUNDRAISING	106,489.66
PROGRAMS	24,438.30
EARNED REVENUES	113,155.33
Total Income	1,074,987.42

Expense

FUNDRAISING EXPENSE	40,688.56
PROGRAM EXPENSE	534,863.05
SALARIES & RELATED EXPENSES	468,253.36
OFFICE EXPENSES	66,664.48
DONATED OCCUPANCY EXPENSES	25,620.00
TRAVEL & MEETING EXPENSES	4,027.60
Total Expense	1,140,117.05

Net Ordinary Income	-65,129.63
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Other Income/Expense

UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS)	22,028.07
Total Other Income	22,028.07
Net Income	-43,101.56

*This was a planned loss recognizing a past donation would be paid out in the form of recurring scholarships this year. It indicates the importance of your contributions to scholarships to sustain our programs and help local students.



YOU can create a lasting impact



Monthly gifts make a lasting impact on the lives of students.

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Purchase an Education plate when you register your car.

Each plate purchased in Alachua County results in a \$20 donation to The Education Foundation!
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Talk to your employer to see if giving through payroll deduction is an option through UF or Alachua County Schools.



THE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Supporting Alachua County Public Schools

Our Purpose

The Education Foundation of Alachua County is a non-profit organization that invests Alachua County Public Schools students and teachers.

Through student scholarships, one-on-one mentoring, and teacher and school grants, students are empowered and equipped to graduate from high school and succeed at the next level.

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