Calallen Education Foundation QUARTERLY UPDATE

April 2023

Welcome our new Executive Director, Amy Hendrix

Amy Hendrix officially stepped into Executive Director of Calallen Education Foundation (CEF) on January 9, 2023. She was born and raised in Lake Jackson, TX and earned a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from Texas A&M University.

Prior to moving to Calallen ISD, she was the Resource Development Director at United Way of the Coastal Bend. Hendrix plans to bring her experience with corporate development to further the advancement of the foundation.



Welcome Amy!

Calallen ISD fun fact Over 1,800 students participated in at least 1 UIL activity this school year.

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11th Annual Casino Night: A Great Success!

On February 18, 2023, we held our 11th Annual Casino Night at the Al Amin Shrine. It was a fun-filled evening with delicious food, Vegas-style casino games, awesome prizes, and great music and entertainment! Fun was had by all that attended!

Our online silent auction and live auction, led by auctioneer, Mike Pusley, featured some remarkable items. With the help of many, CEF raised over \$40,000.

Special thanks to all our live and silent auction donors, USS Chefs, and the Knights of Columbus Casino dealers! Lastly, we would to give a huge thank you to this year's Al Amin Shrine sponsor:





Over \$110,000 Awarded in Standard Grants

Every year, the Calallen Education Foundation (CEF) provides educators within Calallen ISD an opportunity to request a grant for teaching initiatives that go above and beyond available Calallen ISD budgeted dollars.

This year, we were able to award over \$110,000 in grant funds to teachers at Calallen ISD who desire to impact their students through creative learning. CEF awarded 12 fall grants and 13 spring grants, for a total of 25 grants funded for the 2022-2023 school year!

Record Year for Mini-Grants

Each month, teachers have the opportunity to submit an application for a mini-grant of up to \$500 to enhance their classroom learning. Since the beginning of the year, CEF has awarded 23 mini-grants, totaling over \$9,000!

Grants awarded have been "Camp RockSTAAR" which brought fun, interactive learning games and materials to middle schoolers preparing for their annual STAAR test, and "Cultivating Calallen" a grant which will allow for a garden at both Magee and West for their science classes to have a hands-on learning experience.

Thank you to our team of mini-grant and standard grant judges for all that you do for the Calallen Education Foundation and our schools!



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2021-2022 Annual Report

The 2021-2022 school year was a productive one for the Calallen Education Foundation. Because of support from donors like you, we were able to accomplish so much!

Click <u>HERE</u> to view our Annual Report and read all the details. If you would like a copy, please email ahendrix@calallen.org

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