

Adams-Friendship Area Educational Foundation, Inc.

Summary of School Related Expenditures 7/1/2024 – 6/30/2025

The mission statement of the Adams-Friendship Area Educational Foundation, Inc. promises that the organization will work on behalf of the students, staff, and community to improve educational quality, including instruction, facilities, and scholarships, by providing a structure for people and organizations to contribute and raise funds for the advancement of achievement and learning opportunities in the Adams-Friendship Area School District.

Following are brief explanations of expenditures for the '24-'25 school year:

FAC Landscaping and Patio

Planters on the Patio	12/29/2024	Twin Creeks Nursery & Greenhouses	Filled 3 planters with summer annuals	\$207.00
	12/29/2024	Ginter Christmas Trees	Filled 3 planters for Christmas	\$264.00
Total Patio				\$471.00

Foundation members help maintain the landscaping and patio area so that it looks nice all year round. Some planter displays are purchased from area businesses and some maintenance and decorating is provided by Foundation members. We anticipate working with the school district and providing some funds for landscaping next year to help maintain the well-cared-for appearance of the Fine Arts Center.



FAC Equipment: Update & Replace

	Date	Name	Memo	Amount
Update & Replace Equipment	04/05/2025	Logan Hamman & Julia McDaniel	Create a Venue Tech Rider for all future contracts	\$850.00
Total Equipment				\$850.00

The Foundation hired our Tech Coordinator and his assistant to do a venue Tech 'mapping'. This information allows possible renters to gather pertinent specifications. It's a one stop, in-depth look at the facility and community assets which impacts contracting with appropriate presenters.

Classroom Grants

Classroom Grants: The Foundation awarded seven district educators grants totaling \$8,125.25. Funding for these projects comes from fund raisers such as a trivia contests, the Dairy Breakfast, and 50/50 raffles as well as donations.

Ms. Becky Grabarski, a teacher at A-F High School, received a grant to purchase a hydroponic system. This innovative product allows students to create and test their own hypotheses while experimenting with different types of light to observe their effects on plant growth.

Ms. Beth Leininger, also from A-F High School, was awarded a grant that provided students with the opportunity to attend a dinner and performance at the Fine Arts Center. The grant also facilitated the acquisition of a diverse selection of arts-related reading materials for classroom use.

Mrs. Jennie Moore, a teacher at A-F Elementary, received a grant to purchase outdoor playground equipment that encourages exploration among students.

Mrs. Dana Johnson, another teacher at A-F Elementary, was awarded a grant for a field trip for fourth graders to the Food and Farm Exploration Center in Plover. This trip educated fourth graders about the significance of farming and its connection to the food we consume.

Mrs. Kelsey Hall and **Mrs. Lisa Conrad**, teachers at A-F Middle School, were awarded two grants. The first grant funded engaging incentives to promote reading in their 5th grade classrooms. The second grant supported community service projects throughout the school year, helping students connect with and benefit their community.

Mr. Bill Hamilton, from A-F High School, received a grant to purchase podcast equipment for 7th graders. This equipment served as a platform for students to share book discussions and learnings from science and social studies.

Classroom Grants	2024 - 2025	The following grants have been awarded but not all have been completed. This is the list of recipients		
Program	09/18/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Reluctant Reader Challenge	\$1,500.00
	10/25/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Playground Exploration	\$986.25
	10/30/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Hydroponic Hypothesis	\$1,500.00
	10/30/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Arts Without Limits	\$1,465.00
	10/29/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Podcasting Equipment	\$600.00
	10/25/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Building Community	\$1,500.00
	09/19/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Farm To Table Field Trip	\$624.00
Total Classroom Grants				\$8,175.25

Playground Exploration: Ms. Jennie Moore



Farm to Table: Mrs. Dana Johnson

This trip proved to be so beneficial that the Foundation voted to fund it for 4th grade classes every year.

Food and Farm Exploration Center

This winter, four classrooms of 80 fourth graders along with 12 adults and their teachers traveled to Plover for a fun and educational experience.



The students learned about the importance of agriculture in their daily lives by interacting with over 60 hands on exhibits.



Students pretended they were a food truck chef designing a menu and preparing customer orders.

They learned about different Wisconsin commodities. Each created an agricultural trail mix featuring foods unique to our state connecting with the rich cultural heritage of Wisconsin



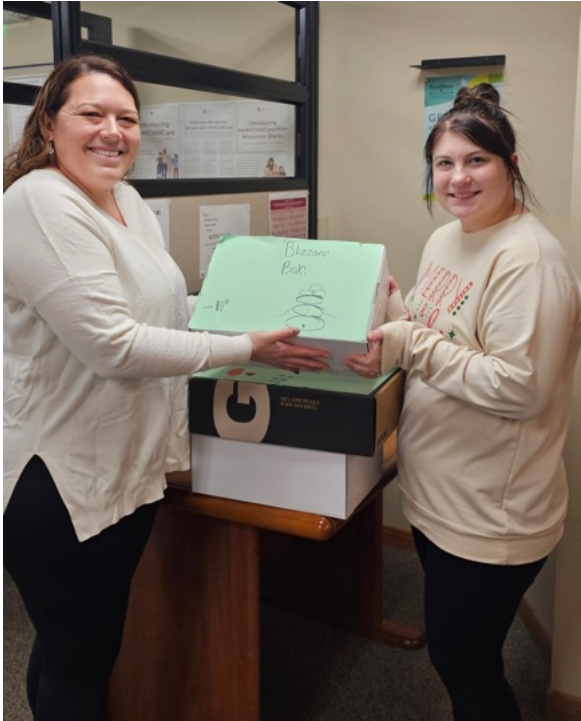
They visited the little grocery store, complete with small shopping carts and a checkout counter to help understand how fruit and vegetables get from food to table.



They climbed aboard a play tractor and other farm machinery or pull up some crops from planter boxes to see what's below the soil surface.



Building Community: Mrs. Kelsey Hall and Mrs. Lisa Conrad



Hydroponic Hypothesis: Ms. Becky Grabarski

Materials for the hydroponic project in the high school ag department arrived on the last day of the 24-25 school year. Students are currently working on assembling the equipment. When everything is set up the Introduction to Ag, Food, and Natural Resources classes can begin their experiments with light and growing conditions.



Arts Without Limits and the Middle School Podcast

Ms. Beth Leininger at the high school and Mr. Bill Hamilton at the middle school plan to complete their projects in the 2025-2026 school year.

Student Outreach

Through Fine Arts Center Events, the Foundation provides every student in the district with an opportunity for an outreach activity. In 24-25, the Foundation looked for presentations that enriched the science and social studies areas of the curriculum.

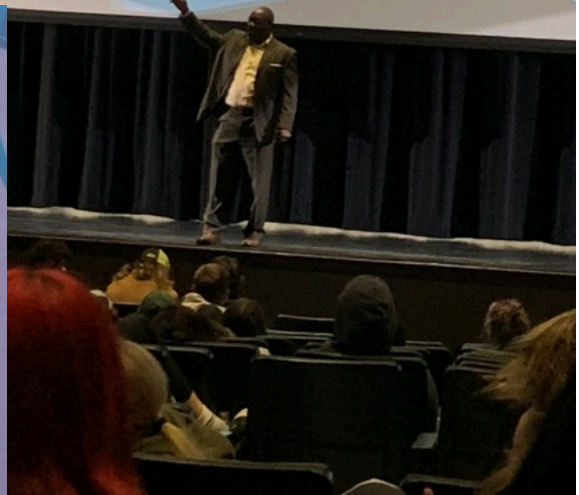
Rondini's Bombastic Bubble Show gave the A-F Elementary students a show that was part magic, part science, part juggling, and part STEM Education. The students loved this very unique, educational, and fun show.



Micah Meyer, road trip and national park expert, spoke to the middle school students about his journey to all 419 national park service sites in one journey entitled “Parks Unknown”. Micah was inspired to travel following the death of his father, who was the Lutheran chaplain at the University of Nebraska. His father loved to take road trips with his children which inspired Mikah, a highly trained vocalist who sang with the National Cathedral Choirs for years, sang at churches across the country to help fund his three-year journey to all the park sites. His presentation was a story and a description of the national park sites he visited. Fourth graders study the national parks and receive a free park pass through the “Every Kid Outdoors Program”, an interagency collaboration between the Department of the Interior, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and U.S. Forest Service. Micah encouraged the students to take advantage of this opportunity to get out and visit our national parks. Mikah’s singing is unique because he can sing very, very high notes which he demonstrated to the students. Dr. Larry Edwards, Artistic Director of the Memphis Symphony Chorus since 1988, was on hand to accompany Micah on the baby grand piano the Foundation purchased as a grand opening gift for the A-F Fine Arts Center.



A-F high school students were inspired by international motivational keynote speaker Devon Harris, an original member of the 1988 Jamaican bobsled team and captain of the 1992 and 1998 teams and 3-time Olympian. His presentation focused on overcoming adversity, chasing dreams, and achieving extraordinary success against all odds. In this program Devon Harris skillfully blended the real life improbable inspirational story of the Jamaica bobsled team with the entertaining portrayal of the Disney blockbuster Cool Runnings. As a motivational speaker in New York, Devon highlights some of the powerful life lessons he and his teammates learned along the way – lessons the students could immediately apply to both their own lives.



Outreach Programs	11/08/2024	Travel Beyond Convention, Mikah Meyer	Middle School presentation - 400 participants	\$5,000.00
	11/12/2024	Devon Harris Jamacian Bobsledder	High School presentation - 400 participants	\$5,000.00
	11/12/2024	Devon Harris	Travel Expenses	\$700.00
	02/07/2025	Ron Lindberg Bambastic Bubbles Show	Elementary presentation - 350 participants	\$600.00
				\$11,300.00
Total Outreach				

Scholarships

Monies donated to the Foundation for specific scholarships, as well as scholarship dollars raised through fundraisers, are forwarded to the Adams-Friendship Scholarship Committee for distribution as part of the school district's "College & Military Signing Ceremony." The Foundation awarded \$22,900 to 20 graduating seniors this school year. This is money that has been given on behalf of the Foundation as well as donor investments and donations that have been received through the Foundation.

Class of 2024 Scholarship Recipients

Machan Family Scholarship - \$1,000.00 - Julia Stockheimer
Richard Collins Memorial Scholarship - \$200.00 - Rachel DeVries
Clark Staehling Endowment - \$500.00 - Julissa Espino Kelley
Verla & the Late Richard Lysy Scholarship
\$500.00 - Hayley Baker
\$500.00 - SaVeena Johnson
\$500.00 - SaVont Johnson
\$500.00 - Kenzie Klaus
Paula Bakovka Nursing Scholarship - \$5,000.00 – Mattea Botcher
Judith Taylor Memorial Scholarship – \$1,200.00 – Nathan Smalley
AF Youth Sports/Cheese Curd Stand
\$1,000.00 - Robert Irey
\$1,000.00 - Bethany Gallick
Sand County Players Scholarship
\$1,000.00 - Madison Sundsmo
\$1,000.00 - Tristan Weglarz
Adams Friendship Area Educational Foundation, Inc. Scholarship
\$1,000.00 to the (6) following students.
Noah Contrall
Rachel DeVries
Robert Irey
Bradley LaChapelle
Colten Reuterskiold
Hoyt Wormet
Harvey & Beverly Wagner Memorial Endowed Scholarship
\$1,000.00 - Addison Kolls
Rich & Deb Wachholz Endowed Scholarship \$1,000.00 – Rhianna Vondrak
Margo and the Late Robert Beaver Endowed Scholarship
\$1,000.00 - Julia Stockheimer

Scholarships		6 Students received \$1,000.00 each from the Education Foundation	\$6,000.00
Awarded in May of 2025		3 Endowment Funds awarded \$1,000.00 each	\$3,000.00
		1 Private Donor \$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
		5 Private Donors	\$4,900.00
		2 Non-Profit Organizations	\$4,000.00
Total Scholarships	Adams Friendship Area School District		\$22,900.00

Use of the FAC

The Educational Foundation continues to support the FAC financially and provides additional help by renting the facility and scheduling entertainment to maximize use of the FAC, bring people into our community, and raise funds to keep the center financially secure and up to date.

Fees pd to District for use of FAC	10/06/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Use fee Alive Again \$100., Cust \$30., Seats \$312	\$442.00
	10/27/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Use Fee Boy Band Review, \$100., Custodian \$30., Seats \$218.	\$348.00
	11/21/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Use Fee Burning Red, \$100., Custodial \$30., seat \$299.	\$429.00
	12/29/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Use fee Rocky Mt. Christmas, \$100., Cust. \$30., seats \$407.	\$537.00
	04/09/2025	Adams Friendship Area School District	Use fee Joshua Lozoff, \$100., Custodial \$30., Seats \$221.	\$351.00
	04/09/2025	Adams Friendship Area School District	Use fee Roll On Alabama, \$100., Custodial \$30., Seats \$469.	\$469.00
	11/08/2024	Adams Friendship Area School District	Middle School busing for Mikah Meyer	\$490.00
	02/07/2025	Adams Friendship Area School District	Elementary School busing for Bambastic Bubbles show	\$134.99
	03/29/2025	Adams Friendship Area School District	Reimbursement of tickets sold for Mamma Mia through Foundation Tix Acc	\$1,344.00
			The Foundation paid the Tix Fees	
Total Fees				\$4,544.99

Total Contributions to the Adams Friendship School District 2024 - 2025	\$48,241.24
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None of this would be possible without the incredible support from area businesses and individuals who donate and sponsor Foundation activities. In return, the Foundation utilizes local businesses for lodging, food, advertising, and other supplies and services for our projects.

Impact to local Business	06/13/2025	Adams Friendship Area School District	Food for the Dairy Breakfast	\$481.00
	10/13/2024	Adams Inn	6 rooms Alive Again	\$390.00
	01/21/2025	Adams Inn	4 rms Boy Band, 14rms Burning Red, 8 rooms Jim Curry	\$1,235.00
	04/14/2025	Adams Inn	2 nights Josh Lozoff	\$120.00
	04/14/2025	Adams Inn	7 rooms Roll on Alabama	\$465.00
	08/06/2024	Adams Times-Reporter	2 ads, color Season Tickets	\$657.76
	09/12/2024	Adams Times-Reporter	1 color ad for upcoming season	\$436.00
	10/13/2024	Adams Times-Reporter	Alive Again 2 color ads	\$876.50
	11/18/2024	Adams Times-Reporter	Boy Band 2 color ads	\$878.50
	12/17/2024	Adams Times-Reporter	Burning Red 2 Color ads	\$878.50
	01/13/2025	Adams Times-Reporter	Rocky Mt. Christmas 2 color ads	\$878.50
	03/10/2025	Adams Times-Reporter	Josh Lozoff Magic 2 color ads	\$669.00
	04/14/2025	Adams Times-Reporter	Roll On Alabama 1 Color ad	\$334.60
	05/14/2025	Adams Times-Reporter	Roll On Alabama 1 Color ad	\$334.60
	06/13/2025	Adams Times-Reporter	Dairy Breakfast 1 Color ad	\$375.00
	04/29/2025	AF Alumni Association	Dinner for Academic Hall of Fame recipients	\$250.00
	08/22/2024	Graphics Direct	1/4 page ad in sports program 24-25 season	\$499.00
	08/06/2024	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Season Tickets	\$312.00
	09/12/2024	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Season Tickets	\$39.00
	10/13/2024	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Alive Again	\$268.00
	11/18/2024	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Boy Band	\$296.00
	12/17/2024	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Burning Red	\$296.00
	01/13/2025	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Rocky Mountain Christmas	\$294.00
	03/09/2025	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Joshua Lozoff	\$312.00
	05/14/2025	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Roll on Alabama	\$281.00
	06/13/2025	Heart of Wisconsin Media LLC	Dairy Breakfast	\$348.00
	05/23/2025	Holeshot Awards	12 plaques Academic Hall of Fame	\$516.00
	8/18/2024	Hometown Insurance	Liability insurance for Foundation Events	\$1,324.00
	09/23/2024	Medford Cooperative	Food for Alive Again	\$42.63
	11/21/2024	Medford Cooperative	Food for Burning Red Show	\$114.74
	12/29/2024	Medford Cooperative	Food for Rocky Mt. Christmas	\$57.44
	04/07/2025	Medford Cooperative	Food for Roll On Alabama	\$92.70
	06/03/2025	Medford Cooperative	Food for the Dairy Breakfast	\$144.00
	10/13/2024	Roxie's Country Skillet	Baked Chicken for Alive Again	\$194.35
	11/04/2024	Roxie's Country Skillet	Food for Boy Band Review	\$155.48
	02/22/2025	Roxie's Country Skillet	Pulled Pork for Burning Red show	\$136.30
	02/22/2025	Roxie's Country Skillet	Wraps for Rocky Mt. Christmas show	\$130.00
	04/16/2025	Roxie's Country Skillet	Food for Roll On Alabama	\$194.35
		5 non-profits or individuals	Were sent checks for services rendered	\$1,200.00
Total Impact				\$16,506.95

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