



DEKALB SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC.

OVERVIEW
August 12, 2024

To raise the next generation of open-minded and engaged leaders

DEKALB SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION INC

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DIVERSIFICATION

WOMEN (4)		MEN (5)	
African American	2	African American	3
Caucasian	2	Caucasian	1
		South Asian	1

* 1 Non-Voting Member - Superintendent

DEKALB SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC.

Mission Statement

Create effective partnerships to foster well-rounded students and enhance teaching excellence.

Vision

Every student graduating with a meaningful diploma
and
a resilient plan for success.



Parallel with the DCSD Strategic Plan

FOCUS POINTS

LITERACY

- Academic Skills Centers
- Multi-Lingual Support
- Scholarships

MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

- Peer Support
- De-Escalation
- Scholarships
- Safe Spaces
- Enrichment Programs

TEACHING EXCELLENCE

- Teacher & Paraprofessional Residence
- Professional Development
- Scholarships & Grants
- Teacher Retention
- In-Class Grants
- Welcome Program
- CTAE (Career Technical and Agricultural Education)



UPDATES AND OCCURRENCES

Timeline for Action

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- March ♦ Revised Foundation's ByLaws for adoption by the School Board
 - March ♦ Submitted application for Incorporation with Georgia's Secretary of State
 - May ♦ Adopted Foundation's By Laws
 - May ♦ Created and adopted a Foundation Strategic Plan
 - June ♦ Received Employer Identification Number (EIN) from Georgia's Secretary of State
 - July ♦ Adopted Conflict of Interest Policy & Disclosure
 - July ♦ Completed and Submitted Federal Form 1023 ~ Application for Recognition of Exemption
- December** *(Application for Recognition of Exemption)*
Under Section 501(c) (3) for Federal Tax-Exempt Status.
Process takes between 3 – 6 months from date of receipt by IRS

NEXT STEPS

- ♦ Complete and file Georgia application for Tax-Exemption
Can only be submitted after receiving Federal Tax-Exempt Status
- ♦ Complete and file to register entity under Georgia Charitable Solicitation Act which is necessary if you are a charity which is the case of the Foundation. Filing is good for two (2) years.
- ♦ File annual tax returns



DEKALB SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC. COMMITTEES



Dennard



Perkins

FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- ✓ Establish policies and procedures for accepting funds received
- ✓ and disbursements made on behalf of the donor/contributor.

- ✓ Monitor and ensure that financial reporting reflect funds are correctly appropriated and monies properly expended from accounts associated with gifting and contributions.

- ✓ Ensure that good financial practices are being followed.



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Pacini



Davis, Jr.

SURVEY/QUESTIONNAIRE COMPOSITION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

✓ Development and formatting of data needed to determine the award and priority of funding to schools and programs as per request. Will be guidance for distribution of unspecific donations.

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Meghjani



Overcash

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

- ✓ Define fundraising goals to determine the scope of solicitation efforts that provide a unique chance for businesses and partners to make a positive impact on education.

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Dr. Holston



Smith



Dr. Horton

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS AND SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE

- ✓ Development and creation of programs and scholarship awards for deserving students, teachers and other DCSD employees.
- ✓ Enrichment of existing programs that partner with corporations, businesses, and individual donors for the betterment of personal growth and advancement of career and educational aspirations.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Directory of Potential Partners (excess of 122 contacts)
- Directory of Foundations within DCSD schools (22 DeKalb County schools)
- Website : www.dekalbschoolsga.org/dceip/dekalb-schools-educational-foundation
- Constant Contact Communique (*coming*)



PLANNED EVENTS

- **Brunch and Brag** ~ an opportunity for school-based Foundations within DCSD Schools to introduce their Foundation. *(September 26, 2024)*
- **Presentation Day** ~ designed for potential partners and donors to provide information to the Board of their interest in partnering with the Foundation *(October 17, 2024)*
- **Signature Event** ~ a festive event sponsored by the Foundation for the School District to interact with parents, students, teachers and community. (2025)

DEVELOPMENT OF
FOUNDATION APPLICATION
FOR AWARDS

IMPLEMENTATION OF
ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES

UPDATING POTENTIAL DONOR
DIRECTORY

PLANNING FOR UPCOMING
ACTIVITIES IN THE LAST
QUARTER OF 2024



**ON-GOING
PROJECTS**

OUR
GOAL

1

Statistical improvement
on each educational level.



2

Raise the next generation
of open-minded and
engaged leaders.

WITH
RESULTS