



2010-2011 Special Projects

Four Projects, total of \$35,525

■ 2011 Gala Fund-A-Dream - \$25,385

Over \$19,385 was raised at the 2011 Gala held on February 26, 2011. The Panther Foundation Board allocated another \$6,000 of Special Project funding to this project.

Early Childhood through Grade 5 Classrooms

Each year, the Foundation, the Gala Committee, and school district identify a Fund-A-Dream project intended to make a big difference in lives of students. This year's lofty goal was to generate funding to complete plans to have SMARTBoards in each preschool through fifth-grade classroom. To see this dream become a reality at least 45 SMARTBoards were needed. Bringing a total cost to this project to \$56,000.

The school district committed to matching every dollar raised by the Foundation and all other contributors in this project to effectively stretch the district's technology funding.

The Panther Foundation, which set a minimum goal of raising \$17,500 for this \$56,000 project, began accepting donations in January and continued through March well surpassing this goal and ensuring the project's success. The additional funds raised allowed the project to expand even further than was previously planned for.

■ Staff Membership Drive - \$6,140

During the Staff Membership Drive in the fall, 50% of what is donated goes back to the school or department of the donor's choosing.

District Wide

■ Kindergarten Special Project - \$2,000

During the first week of Kindergarten every incoming Kindergarten student is given a "Welcome to Kindergarten" book.

All incoming Kindergarten students

■ School Supplies for All - \$2,000

The Panther Foundation supports the "School Supplies for All" project which provides backpacks filled with school supplies to students and families who cannot otherwise afford them.

District Wide