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SUPPORT THE FOUNDATION THIS SUMMER

Take your returnable cans and bottles to the Foundation collection bins at Lamb's Palisades Market, Wild Oats in Bridgeport Village or New Seasons Market in the Mountain Park shopping center.

Buy apples at New Seasons—a portion of the purchase price will be returned to the Foundation.

Support the new LOSD Alumni Association—volunteers are needed to help with the Alumni Bash on August 18. Contact losdalumni@loswego.k12.or.us or call Mary Puskas at (503) 534-2106.

WILL YOUR EMPLOYER MATCH YOUR DONATION?

Many employers will match an employee's charitable contributions. This essentially doubles what you give! If yours does this, you must activate the match by completing a form available from the employer. See the Foundation website, www.losdfoundation.org for a list of employers. Ask your HR department for details.

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I/We want to make a contribution to the Foundation.

Enclosed is a contribution of \$_____ for the Lake Oswego School District Foundation's campaign to help reduce class size.

Gifts of any size are appreciated!

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- Chairman's Circle \$10,000 +
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- Mentors \$500-\$1,249
- Counselors \$1-\$499

My employer matches contributions:
Employer: _____

Check is enclosed payable to LOSD Foundation

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Signature _____

The Lake Oswego School District Foundation is an independent, non-profit corporation established in 1986 to support educational programs for the students of the Lake Oswego School District. Contributions are tax deductible under Internal Revenue Code Section 170. The Lake Oswego School District supports the activities of the Foundation.



MAY 2007

Lake Oswego School District FOUNDATION

INVESTING IN TEACHERS

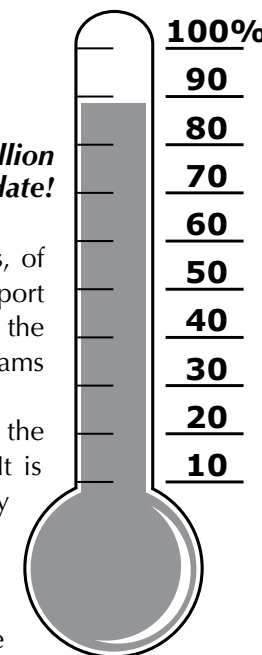
FOUNDATION NEARING END OF A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Over \$1.96 million
pledged to date!

During the current school year, our students benefited from smaller classes and more electives. Next year, we will be able to build upon that success. The support the Foundation has received from the community has been strong and generous. Our community has donated or pledged more than \$1.96 million as we go to press. Well over 400 people have volunteered to help us reach this point. An impressive, and unprecedented, number of students have been involved. Our school-based teams of volunteers did a superb job. The Palisades Elementary School team deserves special recognition for an outstanding effort in getting over 70% of their families to participate. Forest Hills and Westridge

were not far behind. More businesses, of all types and sizes, have lent their support through the Business Partnership and the Recognized Realtor and Lender Programs than ever before.

The Foundation's fiscal year, and the school year, are drawing to an end. It is not too late, however, to join in. Any pledge or donation received by June 30, 2007, the end of the fiscal year, will go into the classrooms in the fall. If you have not yet given, please take this opportunity to do so.



RE-LIVE YOUR
FONDEST MEMORIES

Don't miss the Lake Oswego School District
Alumni Association L.O. - Lakeridge

ALUMNI BASH

Calling All Lakers & Pacers!

Join us Saturday, August 18th, 6 -10 pm
at Lake Oswego Millennium Park for the

2007 LOSD Alumni Bash!

Picture Millennium Park teeming with 56 years of fellow Alums! Thrill to reuniting with up to 10,000 of your closest friends! Imagine (no host) food booths, beverages and live Rock 'n Roll music by the school district's own "Big Blind Band"...maybe even an alumni celebrity or two!

Pinch yourself, cause it's really happening...at no charge to LO and Lakeridge Alums! So put on that smile, loosen up your handshake and be sure to attend this gala event! To volunteer, register or get more information, please call Mary Puskas at (503) 534-2106.

Alumni Association Web Site Coming Soon!

Projected to launch in late June, the Lake Oswego School District Alumni Association web site, www.losdalumni.org, will be the place to go for information on upcoming reunions and events, search for long-lost alums, networking and more...

Lake Oswego School District Foundation

Our Mission—To sustain the tradition of outstanding schools in Lake Oswego.

Our Goal—To reduce the student-teacher ratio by hiring additional teachers. Since its inception in 1993, virtually all donations raised by the Foundation have been dedicated to funding teaching positions and reducing class sizes.

2006–2007

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From the President—

The Foundation is finishing up its most successful year to date. As I write this, we have surpassed \$1.96 million in pledges—a record amount of money donated by our community, which will allow our schools to continue to invest in teachers.

In the fall there will be new teachers, smaller classes at all levels and new electives in our secondary schools. There has been an increase in the number of families who participate as donors and volunteers. High school students gave hundreds of hours to work in the Community Work Day, made calls to potential donors and wrote personal thank you notes. More businesses have become members of our Business Partnership program. This year's campaign has truly demonstrated the entire community's support.

The Foundation does not rest over the summer. As the fiscal year draws to an end, we begin gearing up for the next year. The District alumni organization, an outgrowth of the Foundation, has planned a major social event in August at Millennium Park. Our Endowment Committee is making opportunities available by for planned giving and estate planning. Business partners continue to join us in supporting the schools which help make Lake Oswego an exceptional place to live.

I want to personally thank all of our volunteers and donors for this unprecedented level of support. If for some reason you have not yet found that opportunity to send in your pledge card, please call the District office and help us raise the final \$240,000 needed to meet our \$2.2 million goal.

Have a great summer...and we'll see you in the fall.

Mike Cook

Thank You Volunteers

More than 400 members of the Lake Oswego community participated in the Foundation's efforts this year. Volunteers helped call their fellow parents, involve business supporters and organize events such as the luncheon featuring Governor Barbara Roberts. Students did all sorts of jobs during the Community Work Day, called potential donors, wrote thank you notes and helped with mailings. Businesses gave generously of their time, goods and services and charitable dollars, including several who gave a portion of sales on special Foundation days.

The Foundation would be unable to do its work without the help and support of so many people. Each and every one has made a vital contribution to our schools, and helped to lower class sizes and add new classes for all our students next year.

Planned Giving Program Creates a Lasting Legacy for Schools

Reaching out to the community for support to pay for teachers in the following academic year has been the primary focus of the Foundation since its inception. District budgets have been tenuous and budget cuts had been a fact of life for many years. We now find ourselves in a better position.

In the current academic year, (2006–07) we were able to stop cutting teachers and classes, and were actually able to add teachers and classes back! Thanks to the generosity of the Lake Oswego community and the success of this year's campaign, we will continue this exciting trend next year.

Now that the District can move out of survival mode, it is important that we look toward the future and build a long-term base of funds through the Foundation's endowment fund.

Several years ago, the Foundation established the Stafford Society, named in honor of William and Dorothy Stafford, to recognize the donors whose generosity helps to build and sustain the endowment fund. William Stafford was Oregon's Poet Laureate and a renowned writer. Dorothy Stafford, who continues to live in Lake Oswego, was a teacher in the District. They exemplify the spirit of scholarship and service the Foundation is built upon.

Joining the Stafford Society is one way to support the Foundation and the schools of Lake Oswego. The long-term impact of estate planning is important to the continued viability of the Foundation and to its mission of investing in teachers. The benefits of planned giving now will be a legacy lasting long into the future of the community.

There are a number of ways to build an endowment which will provide interest income to sustain the mission of investing in teachers:

- Gift annuities to the Foundation provide a high fixed payout to the giver and an income tax deduction. In addition, a portion of the annuity payment is tax-free. What remains in the gift annuity after the death of the giver becomes an outright donation to the Foundation.



Stafford Stones at Foothills Park, Lake Oswego. Photo by John Turchi

- Gifts of corporate stock and redemption plans allow shares in one's own company to be given to the Foundation and then redeemed by using available cash in the company. Tax is avoided on the cash in the company and a tax deduction is generated in the process.

- Gifts from an IRA can be made by individuals over the age of 70½. During 2007, funds can be withdrawn, without penalty, to make a gift to the Foundation. The amount withdrawn, up to \$100,000, is not taxed.

- Charitable Remainder Trusts can be used to sell active businesses, such as LLCs, Limited Partnerships and Sole Proprietorships and offer a variety of favorable tax outcomes from one transaction.

- Bequests can include cash, securities, real estate or a percentage of the residual of an estate. Your will or trust instrument can be amended, in consultation with your attorney.

If planned giving is something you wish to consider, the Foundation would like to talk with you. Please contact the office at 503 534-2302.

NOTE: If you are planning to include the Foundation in your estate planning, please note that the proper name is the Lake Oswego School District Foundation Inc. The tax ID number is 94-3028590.