



GRACE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

1400 Dogwood Road

Snellville

Purpose, Clarity and Passion - These are terms that seem to have escaped many young adults today. But at Grace Fellowship Church our mission is simple.. to make disciples.

Reaching out to the community, Grace has proven to be a staunch supporter of the Brookwood Cluster



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BROOKWOOD SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

The Brookwood Schools Foundation began in 2002 and was re-formed in 2010 by a group of sincere, dedicated families looking to improve the status and reputation of our community. We have a strong belief that the success of every community is driven by the achievements of the local public school system, the local business environment, and the ability of the local residents to join together for the good of the community. When all three segments work together, a synergy is created that is self-perpetuating. The net result, when all three work together, is a successful school cluster, a thriving business environment, and a well maintained residential community whose property values out-perform other communities.

Our mission for the Foundation is to raise money through a variety of methods. This money is given to the schools via a grant procedure to provide funding for innovative programs, equipment / technology, and creative teaching methods to enhance the learning opportunities for the students of the Brookwood Cluster Schools.

Since 2002, over \$145,000 has been provided in grant monies to assist educators with innovative projects, equipment, technology, and teaching methods that would not have been funded through the county or state. These programs have helped our Brookwood Cluster students rise to the high levels of excellence our School Cluster has attained.

At the end of the school year (Just a few months ago) we recently hosted our Second Annual Awards Dinner. It was held at Summit Chase Country Club and we had about 70 representatives from local businesses, schools, and government. We were appreciative to have our guests include Dr. Robert McClure (GCPS Board Member), Mike Beaudreau (Gwinnett County Commissioner), and David Casas (Georgia State House of Representatives). The dinner served several purposes:

Most importantly, the event provided the platform to honor several of our teachers from within the Cluster. Grants were submitted, reviewed, selected, and approved. Over \$21,000 was awarded to the seven schools to further the academic progress of our outstanding students.

As we continue to "get the word out" throughout the community about the Foundation, the attendance of local influential business owners/operators helps to create ambassadors within our Cluster. Many voices are now helping to tell the tale of our organization.

We are pleased to announce that we received over \$20,000 in pledges during the dinner to help provide funds for grants for 2012-2013.

**BROOKWOOD SCHOOLS
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Donations can be made:

- Via Pay Pal on our web-site (BSFpride.org), or
- Via check sent to:
Brookwood Schools
Foundation
P.O. Box 472
Snellville, Georgia 30078

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the school cluster, meet the
members, and our donors!
Their generosity benefits
our children!

During the Awards Presentation at Summit Chase the Foundation was proud to honor the following teachers for their outstanding work to further the education and careers of our students:

Five Forks Middle School:

- EBook Reader and Document Cameras— *Lindsey Lee and April Coston* \$2994

Gwin Oaks Elementary:

- Digitally Integrated Classrooms including 8 Kindle Fires, 6 Tablets, Protective Cases for devices, 4G Wireless Modem, and Professional GaETC Conference- *Jennifer Mimms, Albert McDaniel and Diane Pritchard* \$3000.00

R D Head:

- Instructional Technology – Two Activate Classroom Response Systems, 32 responders per set – *Allen Bullock* \$2850

Alton C. Crews Middle School:

- Magazine Series to Support School Wide LSPI Literacy Instruction – *Deborah Stringfellow* \$540.12
- Web Site Design Unit for Business Education, Weebly.com for 180 students— *Roderick Hames* \$180.00
- Vocabulary Resolution, 6th Edition Oxford Dictionary of Science 30 copies – *Dee Waters* \$460.00
- Improving Reading Comprehension Through Science books for Science Classrooms – *Christina McCann* \$774.43
- Book Clubs Rock – Books for the 7th grade library – *Fern LeMaster* \$1010.96

Craig Elementary School:

- Technology Tablets – 6 Tablets, 4 VGA Adaptors – *Lydia Patrick* \$2990.00

Brookwood Elementary School:

- BES Reading Lounge – 10 Color Nooks, 10Kindles, 20 e-books, Various Books at Multiple Levels, Bean Bag Chairs, Reading Pillows, Adirondack Chairs and Frames – *Bobbie Williams and Sarah Mallow* \$3000.00

Brookwood High School:

- Student Response System for Daily Instruction – 32 Seat NXT Solution Turning Technology Systems – *Lesley Grimes* \$1850

The Brookwood Schools Foundation will be participating this month in all of the Open Houses held at each individual school. Please come by our booth and say “hello”.

In addition, we are always looking for Community-Minded Individuals that could volunteer a small amount of time to help support our cause and the schools. If you are interested, please contact our President, Jeff Markey at j2markey@bellsouth.net, or our Vice President, Dawn Taylor, at dawn@dawntaylorlaw.com.

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