

# Raytown Educational Foundation

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Report to the Board of Education for June 12, 2023

Raytown Educational Foundation Board of Trustees' Meeting Highlights for May 31, 2023

- **New Trustees**

- **Sarah Berroteran** – Sarah and her husband, Scott, are both RSHS graduates and their two sons are students at RSHS as well. Sarah has been involved in Robinson Elementary School's PTA and served two years as president. She is also involved in Boy Scouts and is a member of the Southwood United Church of Christ's Council and Mission Team.
- **Terry Landers** – Terry has been involved in the school district and Raytown community for over 50 years. Terry is a member of Raytown Rotary Club, Raytown Retired School Personnel as well as other civic organizations. He is a strong supporter and advocate for the Raytown Educational Foundation. When his term ended as the liaison from the Board of Education to the foundation, he indicated his interest in continuing to serve on REF's Board of Trustees.

- **New Award Fund**

- The Herndon Career Center has established the Nathan Shipley Memorial award through the foundation. Nathan was the instructor for the Diesel Mechanics program at Herndon who passed away this school year. This award will be bestowed annually by Herndon Career Center. The first recipient is a student from the Diesel Mechanics program, Baylor Fromme.

- **Fundraising**

- Thank you to Board of Education, RQS staff, and Raytown community members who supported our April and May fundraising events – “The Cinder Experience” and “REF 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday Trivia Night.” Through the generous support of “The Cinder Experience,” REF was able to award a grant in the amount of \$3,000 to the Herndon Career Center's Culinary Institute.

- **Teaching & Learning Grants 2023 – 2024**

- REF's “Prize Patrol” delivered balloons and oversized checks to its 2023 – 2024 Teaching & Learning Grant recipients on May 24<sup>th</sup>. The foundation awarded 14 grants to 10 buildings totaling \$15,690.
- [\[See Grant Chart for more details.\]](#)

- **Graduating Senior Scholarships – Class of 2023**

- REF awarded 55 graduating senior scholarships to 32 students totaling \$56,161 for members of the Class of 2023. Three of the scholarships are renewable for an additional three years in the amount of \$30,000, thus making the total award amount for the Class of 2023 \$86,161.
- 75 individuals attended REF's Scholarship Reception on May 17, 2023. The purpose of the reception is to celebrate our students' successes and to connect student recipients and family members with scholarship donors, alumni and foundation trustees.
- [\[See Scholarship Chart for more details.\]](#)