



Our Mission

To create targeted programs that educate, inspire and prepare public school students in Sandy Springs for a competitive world



Putting the world within their reach!

Sandy Springs EDUCATION FORCE

Educate - Inspire - Prepare

Meeting the Challenge!

We were optimistic that we might be able to return to a more typical school year in 2021-22. Unfortunately, COVID continued to disrupt school schedules and student routines. SSEF did what we have come to do best: we assessed and quickly pivoted to provide timely, needed virtual and in-person programs to benefit struggling students. (We definitely learned how to be incredibly flexible and responsive during the pandemic!)

SEEF expanded our successful virtual Tutor Teams program to include an additional elementary school. This program addresses student academic needs and fosters positive relationships between high school and elementary school students. The best part is that both tutors and their pupils loved working together and accomplished so much! We also continued our Summer Book Club. Over 85% of students who participated maintained or improved their reading levels. SSEF provided numerous mentoring opportunities via a combination of in-person and virtual formats; Link With a Leader, Reading Buddies, SAIL and Senior Push all moved forward, in spite of pandemic-related challenges. We administered our long-standing after-school programs that provide academic and enrichment activities for middle and high school students. In addition, via community donations, we provided school supplies for over 4,000 students and distributed more than 12,000 books.

Our annual STEAM Showcase was a highlight of the year. Over 2,500 students and community members enjoyed this in-person event featuring 35 interactive STEAM-focused exhibits provided by businesses and post-secondary institutions. As always, student beneficiaries of our STEAM grants exhibited their work. Everyone was pleased to see this event back live, generating a sense of normalcy.

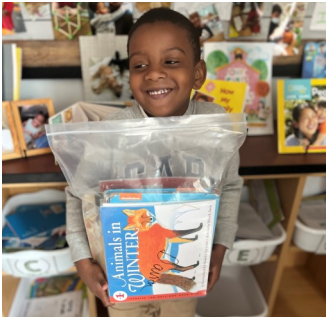
As students recover from pandemic-related learning loss and social isolation, we aspire to continue to provide valuable supplemental programs in our public schools in Sandy Springs. We so value our community's on-going support in helping us offer resources to help all students succeed. Thank you for making a difference in their lives! Here's hoping that the 2022-2023 school year will bring us back to a "new normal"!

ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

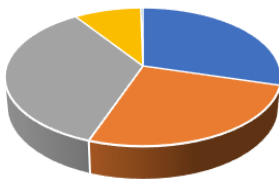
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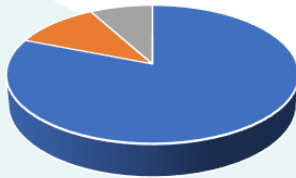


INCOME



- Individual Donations – 29% - \$83,192
- Foundations & Grants – 26% - \$73,600
- Events – 35% - \$99,131
- In Kind – 9% - \$25,795
- Business – 1% - \$868
- Total - \$282,586

EXPENSES



- Programs - \$173,879- 81%
- Marketing/Fundraising - \$24,054–11%
- Administrative - \$17,218 - 8%
- Total - \$215,151



Programs 2021-2022



STEAM Initiatives

STEAM Showcase
(2000 students)
All Schools

STEAM Legacy Grants (260 students)

Ison Springs Elementary
Spalding Drive Elementary
Woodland Elementary
North Springs High School
Heards Ferry Elementary
High Point Elementary
Lake Forest Elementary
Ridgeview Middle School
Riverwood International
Charter

After-School Programs

After-School All-Stars
(50 students)
Sandy Springs Charter Middle

After-School North Springs
(47 students)
North Springs High

Literacy Programs

Mini Libraries
(7000 students)
All Schools

Reading Buddies
(12 students- limited due to COVID)
Dunwoody Springs
Elementary
Spalding Drive Elementary

Summer Book Club – Virtual

(42 Students)
Dunwoody Springs
Elementary
Ison Springs Elementary

Community Collaborative

CAC Teacher Supply Closet
(4355 students)
All Schools

Mentoring/Role Models

Cradle to College/Perimeter College – Georgia State University
(85 students)
Dunwoody Springs Elementary

Link with a Leader

(800 students)
North Springs High
Riverwood International
Charter

SAIL/Senior Push

(66 students)
North Springs High
Riverwood International
Charter

Tutor Teams – Virtual

(29 students)
Dunwoody Springs Elementary
Ison Springs Elementary

Program Partners

After-School All-Stars
Atlanta
Atlanta Jewish Film
Festival
Atlanta Science Festival
Community Assistance
Center
eWaste/ePlanet
Most Valuable Kids
PSI Media & Fulfillment
Solutions
Rotary Club of Sandy
Springs
Sandy Springs
Perimeter Chamber



SandySpringsEducationForce.org



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Range Water Impact Foundation
State Farm

CHANCELLOR

Google Fiber

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Breedlove Land Planning * Carroll Daniel Construction *
Constellation *
Dillard & Company/Atlanta Fine Homes/Sotheby's International Realty *
Dogwood Tutoring & Test Prep * Evergreen Construction *
Halpern Enterprises, Inc. * Ipsum Diagnostics * Lowe Engineers *
Sandy Springs Perimeter Chamber * SouthState Bank *
Steve Hallsey * The Pattys * Tijuana Joe's * Wilensky & Co., PC



1 of our best~

A PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT!

SSEF Tutor Teams Program

We launched our pilot Tutor Teams program during the 2020-21 school year to support students who suffered pandemic-related academic setbacks. This weekly virtual program paired high schoolers and elementary students to help with homework, math and reading skills. SSEF initially recruited tutors from the International Baccalaureate and National Honor Society (NHS) programs at Riverwood International Charter High School. Once word spread, high schoolers from the Riverwood HS Community Service Club, Youth Leadership Sandy Springs and a Sandy Springs private school volunteered.

The results were amazing: 78% of our Ison Springs students in 1st through 5th grades maintained or increased their reading scores and 94% increased their math scores. The pilot program was so successful, we expanded in 2021-22 to include North Springs High School NHS students and 1st and 2nd graders at Dunwoody Springs Elementary. We were thrilled that 100% of the Dunwoody Springs students improved both their math and reading scores! This program turned out to be a real win-win for tutors and students.

Joshua B., a 4th grader, commented, "I've learned to be myself" while working on math with his tutor. Isabella Stahlman, a tutor who helped us recruit volunteers, noted, "I thoroughly enjoyed watching the children reach their full potential in all aspects of their lives through a personalized virtual connection."

In-Kind Donations

Atlanta Parent Magazine * Chick-fil-A * Coca-Cola Bottling Company *

Community Assistance Center * Costco * Cox Enterprises *

Dunwoody United Methodist Church * Friends of the Sandy Springs Library *

Heards Ferry Elementary * Kroger – Orchard Park * Lambert High School * Mary McConnell *

Milton Montessori School * Mercedes-Benz USA * Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church *

North Georgia School of Ballet * Publix * PSI Media & Fulfillment Solution * Roasters * Judy Roseman *

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Trader Joe's

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WE'VE GOT YOUR NUMBER(S) ~

Students Served - 7,000

Programs - 11

Number of STEAM Grants - 9

Number of Books Distributed - 12,000

Number of Community Volunteers - 250

Number of Volunteer Hours - 3,000+



\$500 - \$999

Gary and Sam Alexander
Jennifer Barnes
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Linda Cahn
Gail Dean & Robert Scholz
Amy Frederick
Gail & Lyon Heyman
Heather Kaufman
Kevin & Ann Latty
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Deborah Silcox
Debbie & Stan Sonenshine
Richard Sutton & Susan Willey
Linda Trickey
Amit Vyas

\$250-\$499

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Leadership Sandy Springs
Sanjay John

Individual Donations

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Irene Schweiger
Kathryn Shapiro
Spalding Woods Garden
Club
Luci & Stan Sunshine
Kim Taratoot
Lisa Thompson
Kent & Maxine Watkins
Ava & Bob Wilensky

\$100-\$249

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