

## Litchfield Community Schools Alumni Association Board

August 6, 2021

The Alumni Association has raised over \$138,000.00 for the Litchfield Community Schools over the past 15 years. The teachers and staff are very appreciative of our contributions toward improving the educational experience for them and the students.

We have received the following request from Superintendent Mike Corey:

"Our K-6 Reading Street Curriculum was copyrighted in 2008. The newest version is from 2013 but is outdated and no longer meets expectations or content standards. The 7-8 Prentice Hall program from Pearson's copyright is 2010 but is no longer produced and we cannot get updated or replacement materials. The books have already been rebound at least once, some twice. Changing our curriculum would allow grades 3-8 to be on the same program with consistency, common vocabulary, and framework. The K-2 program builds strong foundational skills, incorporating elements developed at Eastern Michigan University, and supplemental materials. Our teachers are very excited about the new tools they will have and the positive results that we all expect to see. They have asked me to Thank You from the bottom of our Red and White Terrier Hearts. "

During our August meeting the Alumni board approved a fundraising campaign to purchase the K-2 portion of the program. We would like to raise at least \$7,000.00 this year.

Mildred Clark taught first grade in Litchfield for 36 years. She passed away January 2021. The family requested donations to the Alumni Association Fundraiser for the elementary school project, at the funeral, and matched the funds that were donated. The family has graciously donated to start the fundraiser. We are dedicating the 2021 fundraiser in Mildred Clark's name, honoring her for the many years of service she gave to the school and community. It will be called The Mildred Clark Memorial and Litchfield Alumni Association Fundraiser.

The board feels that this is a good cause to support the future of the children of Litchfield. Please send your donation checks made out to "Litchfield Alumni Association" to the Treasurer's address below.

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