

THE BLUE & GOLD FOUNDATION

Supporting Chamblee High School



ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023

Introduction

The Blue & Gold Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization supporting Chamblee High School, was founded in 2005. Our mission is to raise money to benefit Chamblee High School and the greater Chamblee community. The Foundation keeps operating expenses low so our fundraising and donation dollars can directly benefit the CHS community. Approximately 5% of our expenditures go toward administrative costs. Our Board of Directors includes both current and former faculty and staff, alumni, parents, and community leaders.

The Foundation appreciates the generosity of many donors who support our great students and faculty. Donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Current Blue & Gold Foundation Board of Directors

Cheryl Finke, *Executive Director*

Former CHS Principal, Chamblee Business Coalition President

Nancy Farrey, *President*, Former Staff, Former PTSA President, Community Supporter

Kathryn Anderson, *Vice-President*, Alumna

Linda Podger-Williams, *Treasurer*, Community Supporter

Gail Barnes, *Principal of CHS*, Parent

Ben Bryant

Alumnus, Parent

Mallory Bailey Clark

Alumna, Faculty, Coach, Parent

Becky Craven

Alumna,
Former Chamblee City Clerk

Brian Ely

Alumnus, Faculty, Coach

Shannon Nolan Harris

Alumna

Sue Nunn

Former Faculty and Coach

Van Pappas

Community Supporter, Parent

Lorri Reynolds

Faculty, Coach, Athletic Director

Alex Teh

Alumnus,

Former Governing Board Co-Chair

Ramona Terry

Alumna

Jennifer Tinnell

Faculty, Coach

Greg Valley

Alumnus, Faculty,
Coach

Lucas Westby

Alumnus

By the Numbers Through the Years

~\$172k

Total spent on grants &
projects since 2005

106

Hall of Fame
inductees

Including:

71 alumni

35 former faculty & staff

16

Years coordinating the
Senior Legacy Gift with the
senior class

20 scholarships

awarded, totaling

\$23,000

16 Steve Westby Scholarships
since 2005

4 Dante Porter Scholarships
since 2019

2

years as an approved member of the
City of Chamblee Nonprofit Partnership Program



2022-2023 Funded Projects

- Class of '23 Senior Legacy Gift: Customized gym door mat
- *Chamhian* yearbook ad & iPad
- *The Blue and Gold* newspaper support
- Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl books for Media Center
- Rug for main lobby
- Tennis & Swimming team banners for gym
- German grammar books
- Title IX banner recognizing CHS faculty & staff
- Concert music folders for all Orchestra students
- Wall-size Periodic Tables for three classrooms
- Chimes for Marching & Symphonic Band
- Banner for Coach Koeplin Memorial Night in gym
- Science Olympiad supplies
- New microwaves for cafeteria
- Chamblee OnStage tool chests & locking cabinets
- ESOL graphic novels
- Teddy Roosevelt repressor Cultural Arts Program for juniors
- Faculty & staff appreciation and classroom support
- Adulting Day support for Senior Class
- Plants & hardware for pond maintenance & improvement
- Seeds, bulbs, & supplies for vegetable garden
- Suture kits for Anatomy classes
- Support for CHS national competition teams: Quiz Bowl, VEX Robotics, VEX Robotics JROTC, Int'l Science Fair
- Art students' Bulldog Dash t-shirt design competition prize
- Steve Westby & Dante Porter Scholarships
- Dianne Clark Awards

**Total spent by the Blue & Gold Foundation during
the 2022-2023 school year in support of CHS:**

\$42,611

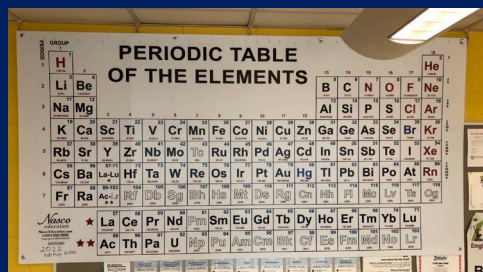


Vegetable garden supplies ▲



▲ Teddy Roosevelt repressor

Periodic table
& suture kits ▼



Activities by Month

All Year

Conducted regular Blue & Gold Foundation Board of Directors meetings and participated in City Chamblee Nonprofit Partnership Program meetings.

August 2022

Distributed gift cards for classroom use to welcome back all CHS faculty & staff. Hosted table at CHS Open House to publicize Foundation mission & Projects. Annual Foundation meeting.

November 2022

Sponsored annual Hall of Fame Dinner, induction ceremonies, and luncheon & school tour for inductees and their families. Presented Dianne Clark awards to four faculty and staff selected by administration. Awarded first Foundation Award to Perkins+Will for their grant to design the Donor Wall in the Fine Arts Building.



March 2023

Co-sponsored the Bulldog Dash 5K with Chamblee Middle School. Provided Welcome Gift Bags to alumni and community members who presented at Adulting Day.

May 2023

Distributed Publix gift cards to support teachers, staff, and classrooms. Awarded Steve Westby and Dante Porter Scholarships at Senior Honors.

Summer 2022

Continued update of CHS Main Lobby with rug for seating area.

September 2022

Supported CHS Homecoming activities with grab-and-go dinner for alumni and bus drivers. Distributed gold pom-poms at homecoming game. Awarded City of Chamblee Nonprofit Partnership Program grant for 2022 Silent Auction.

December 2022

Helped coordinate Coach Koepin Memorial Night.



January 2023

Awarded City of Chamblee Nonprofit Partnership Program grant for 2022 Hall of Fame Dinner.

February 2023

Visited Jim Ellis corporate headquarters with treats to express sympathy after Mr. Ellis's passing. Attended CHS class reunion at the Varsity and distributed alumni buttons.

July 2023

New Hall of Fame sign installed in gym/auditorium lobby.

