



## Successful Results for Foundation's 2019-20 LEAP Campaign

**December 19, 2019:** Annually as our school year kicks off, the Lexington One Educational Foundation also launches its internal employee giving program, the LEAP Campaign. Funded solely by donations from caring employees, this worthwhile endeavor enables dedicated teachers and staff to give back to Lexington County School District One.

LEAP funds assist our district in a number of important ways. First, the **Lexington Emergency Assistance Plan** offers financial assistance and/or in-kind services to district students and employees who are experiencing a crisis and need temporary help to get through a challenging time. Second, the **Lexington Education Assistance Plan** supports the district's learning initiatives. Since 2017, the funds have provided \$79,500 worth of books to support literacy in our 17 elementary schools and 8 middle schools.

We are so thankful for our amazing Lexington One employees who supported the Foundation's 2019-20 LEAP Campaign! More than 2,500 contributed this year! Here are the results:

**Lexington Emergency Assistance Plan:** Total contributions – \$123,650.98

**Lexington Education Assistance Plan:** Total contributions – \$41,020.90

**LEAP CAMPAIGN TOTAL:** \$164,671.88

Congratulations to the following schools and department for having the highest percentages of increase, when comparing their 2019-20 LEAP Campaign results to the previous year's campaign:

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

**1<sup>st</sup> – Pelion Elementary School** raised \$4,454 (42% increase), Principal Debbie Poole, LEAP Representatives Ruth Spence and Susan Harmon

**2<sup>nd</sup> – Red Bank Elementary School** raised \$6,193 (37% increase), Principal Janet Ricard, LEAP Representatives Liddy Carpenter Parrish and Britani Magargle

**3<sup>rd</sup> – Saxe Gotha Elementary School** raised \$3,192 (19% increase), Principal Beth Houck, LEAP Representatives Andrea Slice and Deanna Thacker

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Gilbert Middle School** raised \$3,600 (2.5% increase), Principal Dr. Benji Ricard, LEAP Representatives Molly Sutcliffe and Courtney Harrell

### HIGH SCHOOL

**Lexington Technology Center** raised \$2,967 (34% increase), Director Bryce Myers, LEAP Representatives Sarah Gillespie and Robert Zeigler

### SUPPORT SERVICES – District Staff

**Food Service** raised \$2,647 (33% increase), Director Sally Nicholson, LEAP Representatives Polly Peyinghaus and Ashley Summers

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**100% Participation Award**

Congratulations also to **Lake Murray Elementary School** where 100% of employees donated to the LEAP Campaign this year! Principal Jennifer Stanley and Leap Representatives Kim Nunnery and Christina Reed raised \$3,744.

Many thanks to everyone in Lexington County School District One who donated to this worthwhile campaign. The dedication of Lexington One family members in helping others through their support of the LEAP Campaign is truly astounding! Their generosity will make a positive difference in the lives of many students and families in Lexington One!

