

11th Class of Educational Foundation Ambassadors

September 8, 2017: The Lexington One Educational Foundation welcomed its 11th Class of Ambassadors at a program held at Lexington Elementary School on Thursday, September 9, 2017. Julie Anderson Washburn, executive director of the Foundation, said that “Our new ambassadors include business and community leaders in Lexington who will share with others all of the outstanding educational initiatives that the Foundation is supporting in Lexington School District One. We are very pleased to have them all as wonderful supporters and friends to Lexington One.”

New Foundation Ambassadors are:

- Mr. Andrew R. Aun - Attorney-At-Law, The Law Offices of Aun & McKay
- Tonya Cockrell-Conway – Pine Press Printing
- Wendy Coplen – LES & Community Volunteer
- Vimarie Jibaja – Community Volunteer
- Manning Kolb – Splash Omnimedia
- Claude Leitzsey - Michelin
- Gale McCartha – Security Federal Bank
- Mike White – Splash Omnimedia



That morning, Dr. Gloria Tally, Lexington One Chief Academic Officer, gave a terrific overview of some of the exciting things happening in Lexington One. Foundation Board Chair Simeon Bryant shared information about the Educational Foundation and how it positively impacts the district and its students’ educational experiences.

Mr. Jim Hamby, Principal of Lexington Elementary, was the last to speak as he gave an overview of LES and then took everyone on a tour of the school. He shared details about LES being a candidate for the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme and all that it offers to its students. As a result, Spanish begins in the first grade for these students even though LES is not an immersion school, as this is a requirement of an IB elementary school. Mr. Hamby said that the LES teachers and staff are trained and focused on inquiry-based learning and will work to develop IB character traits in the students. New ambassadors saw what an outstanding choice LES is for elementary education for students in our district and were able to glimpse at some of the wonderful things happening in the classrooms.

Our many thanks to Lowes Foods store #268 for sponsoring the delicious breakfast, too! We had amazing muffins, a fruit tray, juice and coffee courtesy of Lowes Foods.

If you or someone you know may be interested in becoming an ambassador to the Lexington One Educational Foundation, please contact Julie Anderson Washburn, foundation executive director, at 803-821-1008 or jwashburn@lexington1.net.

