

Camdenton Education Foundation Tenth Annual Elegant Evening Promises to Inspire



Where can you enjoy celebrated stage and big band tunes, watch a choreographed chorale performance, and experience theatrical and forensic highlights, all from Camdenton high school students? Where can you stroll through a gallery filled with the creations of artists from Camdenton's elementary through high school and be thrilled by futuristic robotics? Where can you dine on a delectable four course meal designed and executed by young, ambitious chefs from the Lake Career and Tech Center?

All of this, and so much more, can be found on the program for the upcoming

10th Annual Camdenton R-III School District Educational Foundation, Inc., Elegant Evening on April 19, 2012 at 5:45pm in the Camdenton High School Commons. Reservations are currently being accepted by contacting Camdenton School District Administration office at 573-346-9213. Opportunities to purchase single tickets, tables or sponsorships can be handled. The 10th Annual Elegant Evening is the sole fundraising event of the Camdenton R-III Education Foundation.

Along with showcasing the amazing talents of hundreds of the Camdenton School District's finest students, three outstanding men will be honored by the Foundation as inductees in the Hall of Leaders. Class of 1987 graduate, Brian Reeves, will be inducted as a Distinguished Alumnae for his remarkable career in Vocal Music Education. Richard D. Goins and Dr. Christopher J. Leslie will be inducted as Friends of the District. Both of these men bring unique expertise to the students and staff of the Camdenton R-III Schools.

Since incorporating as a not-for-profit organization in 2001, the Camdenton Education Foundation has been true to its motto, "Steering the Course for the Future". The Foundation serves as a critical School District partner providing supplemental funding for beneficial scholarships, educational programs and activities that fall outside the District's normal operating budget.

Serving the District for the past 11 years, the Foundation has distributed scholarships to graduating seniors totaling over \$35,000. Many of those recipients credit the Foundation's recognition of their academic & service excellence as an important confidence builder toward their college journey.

Beyond scholarships, the Foundation has supported many projects such as purchasing much-needed library books for Hawthorn Elementary when they moved into their new building impacting hundreds of 3rd and 4th graders, and providing International Baccalaureate testing fees and books for students who couldn't afford them.

Starting in August 2011, the Foundation offered a payroll deduction option to the District's teachers and staff for a grant program designed to turn educators' innovative teaching ideas into reality. Thirty nine individuals participated resulting in \$2000 in deductions. The Foundation matched those deductions and will be recognizing four worthy grant recipients at the Elegant Evening.

What many people might not know is that all proceeds from the Foundation's Elegant Evening go directly to scholarships and enhancing academic excellence for our area children. By attending this event, the community can make a difference, contributing to new and expanded educational opportunities that benefit students, teachers, employees, and residents of Camden School District.

Don't miss out on what is sure to be a memorable night by contacting Camden School District Education Foundation at 573-346-9213.

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