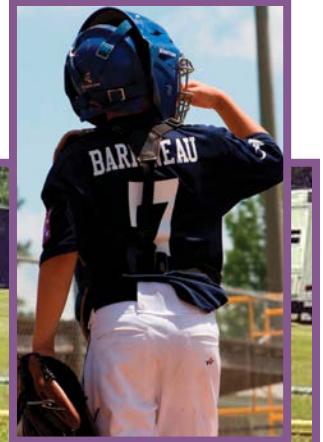


# PROOF POSITIVE



Honoring Lexington County School District One students and staff receiving state, national and international awards

September 20, 2016 | Board of Trustees Meeting



## 2016 Dixie Youth AA Coach Pitch National Champions

Seven Lexington County School District One students spent their summer running the bases, catching pop flies and winning a national championship.

Members of the team were **Tyler Ashton** from Deerfield Elementary, **Jacob Kelly** from Forts Pond Elementary, **MJ Hornsby** from Pleasant Hill Elementary, **Keaton Bennett** and **Logan Gadberry** from Saxe Gotha Elementary, and **Jacson Barrineau** and **Chance Culley** from White Knoll Elementary.

After being chosen to play on the AA Midland Coach Pitch All-Star Team, the students helped their team go undefeated at the district and state level, earning them a trip to the Dixie Youth World Series. The South Carolina all-star team then bested Alabama's all-stars 7-6 to win the national title on August 2.

"We had a lot of close games, and the kids stepped up and made great plays," said Team Head Coach Matt Hornsby, who is a physical education teacher and coach at Pleasant Hill Middle.

# DonorsChoose.org Funding Recipients

Lexington One teachers continue to advocate for their students by applying for grant funding through DonorsChoose.org.

With each project that is funded, teachers are able to introduce additional technology, hands-on activities and new equipment to their classrooms.

Teachers who have recently had their projects fully funded are **Sam Leitzsey, Jane Park, Katrinda Scott and Erin Willie** from Midway Elementary, **Jena Sherban** from Oak Grove Elementary, and **Haylee Boltjes, Britney Bundrick and Lauren Swicegood** from Saxe Gotha Elementary.

Funded projects include “I Can with iPads,” “Ready to Listen and Read” and “Let’s Get to Steppin’ and Bikin’!”

With help from generous donors, these teachers obtained more than \$7,000 to support their classroom activities.



## Jostens Look Book Recognition

The White Knoll High yearbook has been featured in a national publication for its creativity and use of design.

Led by yearbook adviser **Shandon Shoaf**, the 2015 edition of *The Pack* was featured in the 2016 *Gotcha Covered Jostens Look Book*.

The *Look Book* highlights the best of the best in high school yearbooks and features *The Pack's* gallery spread on the White Knoll volleyball team. The design was chosen from among approximately 4,000 entries from schools around the country.







## SCHSL Award of Excellence for Exemplary Display of Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity

Three Lexington One high schools were recently commended for outstanding sportsmanship.

Gilbert High, Lexington High and White Knoll High each received the Award of Excellence for Exemplary Display of Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity from the South Carolina High School League.

The honor recognizes the leadership of athletic directors and the sportsmanship of student-athletes both on and off the field.

Athletic directors for the winning schools are **Chad Leaphart** at GHS, **Josh Stepp** at LHS and **Dean Howell** at WKHS.

## 2016 Fall Michelin Golden Apple Teacher Grant Award Winners

Twice each school year, the Lexington One Educational Foundation, represented by Executive Director Julie Washburn, and the Michelin North America Lexington Site, represented by Business Unit Leader Cleve Johnson, award the Michelin Golden Apple Teacher Grants.

The 2016 Fall Golden Apple teachers include the following: **Stephen Eargle** (FOCUS); **James Frost** (Gilbert High); **Jennifer Gooding, Nicole Hinton and Cameron Johns** (Gilbert Middle); **Timothy Monreal** (Lexington Middle); **Sarah Weiss** (Oak Grove Elementary); **Celine Miller** (Pleasant Hill Middle); **Shannon Bussell and Lee Motley** (Rocky Creek Elementary); **Haylee Boltjes** (Saxe Gotha Elementary); and **Arminda Soos** (White Knoll High).

Golden Apple Teacher Grants allow educators to purchase additional supplies for projects designed to keep students engaged in learning.



## Walmart Community Grant

White Knoll Elementary received a \$500 grant just after the school year began.

Funds are provided by the Walmart Community Grants Team and Store 5291, the Walmart Neighborhood Market located on Old Barnwell Road.

WKES will use the funding to purchase additional books corresponding with a reading curriculum from Lucy Calkins, best-selling author and professor.





2016 Fall Walter P. Rawl and Sons, Inc.

## School Garden Mini-Grant Winners

For the past three years, Walter P. Rawl and Sons, Inc. has provided School Garden Mini-Grants to help some Lexington One elementary schools enhance students' knowledge of diet and nutrition through school gardens.

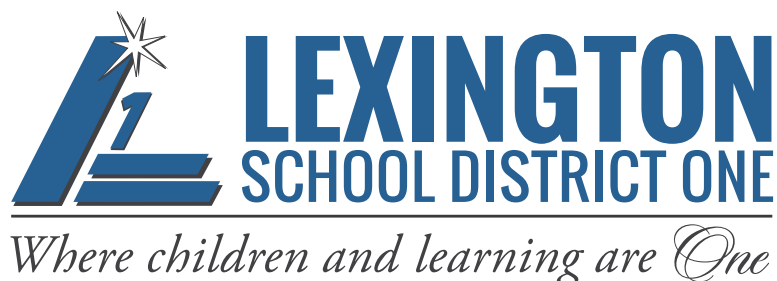
Four Lexington One schools will be recognized by the Lexington One Educational Foundation, represented by Executive Director Julie Wasburn, and a representative from Walter P. Rawl and Sons.

Teachers receiving funding for their school are **Britani Magargle** from Carolina Springs Middle, **Jeanne McKinney** from Meadow Glen Elementary, **Anne Peterson** and **Mary Ashley Rodriguez** from Pleasant Hill Middle, and **Amy Price** from River Bluff High.

Requests for new gardens are awarded at the \$500 level, and support is given to existing gardens at the \$250 level.

Thanks to the support of Walter P. Rawl and Sons new gardens will be established at Meadow Glen Elementary and Carolina Springs Middle.

Pleasant Hill Middle plans to expand its current garden using the grant funds, while River Bluff High will use their grant funds to incorporate the produce grown on campus into new recipes for students to sample.



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