



An Opportunity to **help**
Make Wishes Come True.

The School Supply Fund
Enabling teachers to provide children with necessary school supplies.

The Sneaker Exchange
Providing students in need with clean socks and shoes to participate in all school activities with increased confidence and self-esteem.

The Indian River Regional Science and Engineering Fair Program
Encouraging curiosity and creative thinking through the application of the scientific method.

Great Ideas/ Grants Programs
Funding teacher grants to engage and excite students in the process of learning.

Building Libraries Book Exchange
Distributing books to teachers and librarians to start or expand classroom libraries.

Our Mission

The mission of the Education Foundation of Indian River County is to enrich and enhance educational opportunities for all students and teachers, in both public and private schools, through effective fundraising and efficient allocation of resources.

John's Island Community Service League Awards \$3,000 Grant to The Education Foundation of Indian River County, Inc.

Vero Beach, FL – The Education Foundation of Indian River County recently received a \$3,000 grant from the John's Island Community Service League. The funds will be used to administer and expand the Indian River Regional Science and Engineering Fair (IRRSEF) outreach programs.

The outreach programs have two goals. The first is to increase the participation of all students, specifically at risk children. The second is to provide science workshops for teachers. "We believe this is the best strategy to increase participation and to offer more children educational opportunities," commented Education Foundation President Dan Bockhorst. "The John's Island Community Service League has been instrumental in the development of the IRRSEF since the program began in 1991. We are extremely grateful for their continued support to provide this one-of-a-kind academic program," add Mr. Bockhorst.

Each September the Education Foundation offers science outreach programs for students, parents and teachers. The seminars are presented in partnership with the Environmental Learning Center and the School District of Indian River County. Nearly 600 children participate in the outreach programs annually. More than 10,000 students compete in school based fairs before advancing to the regional science fair that is administered by the Education Foundation. The IRRSEF is the most successful program in the State of Florida based on the tremendous support of the community.

To learn more about the IRRSEF and the Education Foundation of Indian River County, visit: www.edfoundationirc.org, email: info@edfoundationirc.org or call (772) 564-0034. The mission of Education Foundation of Indian River County is to enrich and enhance educational opportunities for all students and teachers, both public and private, through effective fundraising and the efficient allocation of resources. The Foundation is the designated education foundation of the School District of Indian River County. However the Foundation operates completely separately from the local school district. This unique structure allows funding to go directly in to the classroom.

Pictured left to right: Education Foundation Executive Director Cynthia Falardeau, JICSL Member Ann Webber, 2008-2009 JICSL President Barbara Hauptfuhrer, and 2008-2009 Philanthropy Chair Rosemary Haverland.

