

Community Partnerships Enrich Student Learning



Batesville Community School Corporation is Making it Happen!



The keys to our children's future are right at their fingertips.

WE ARE a rural school corporation in Southeastern Indiana

- 2200 students
- One to One Initiative
- One device for each student - K-12
- Free/reduced lunch eligibility - 26%

OUR STUDENTS & FAMILIES benefit from the support of the community through two unique foundations that were established to have a positive impact on student learning and enhanced educational environments for all students.

OUR TEACHERS embrace the tools and resources provided to them to enhance classroom experiences and instruction for all children. The support of the BCEF and CREATE Foundations enrich teaching and learning through the provision of projects and professional development.

OUR PROMISING PRACTICE

Batesville Community School Corporation benefits from diverse community support of educating every child in partnership with two unique foundations. The **Committee to Review, Evaluate, and Aid Technology in Education (C.R.E.A.T.E.) Foundation** was established in 1994 by a group of local educators and businesses to have a positive impact on our children by encouraging the integration of computer technology into the local school programs. The CREATE Foundation focuses on teacher instruction and student learning by supporting technology in the classroom through financial assistance, technical support, and guidance. The **Batesville Community Education Foundation (BCEF)** was established to provide additional funding for innovative learning opportunities that go beyond the basics in academics, athletics, and the arts in the Batesville public schools, enhancing the educational environment for all students. The BCEF has contributed thousands of dollars to provide enhanced learning experiences for students.

OUR STEPS

The C.R.E.A.T.E. Foundation continues to provide guidance and support. It annually supports technology training to continue the integration of devices in the classrooms and the recent update of our Technology Plan.

The BCEF provides unique granting opportunities for teachers to fund educational experiences, such as exploring literary interpretations, the 1:1 Initiative, weekend backpack program and engineering and technology equipment.

IN OUR OWN WORDS

It takes a village to raise a child, and the community of Batesville takes pride in supporting the education of every child through various foundations and projects. Jessica Kinker, 5th grade teacher at Batesville Intermediate School, finds the training with the Instructional Technology Specialists invaluable. "Annual TIP training is beneficial in that it offers me the opportunity to improve my technology skills and to learn additional ways in which to use our current technology to increase my efficiency and student learning." The BCEF provided 10th grade students an opportunity to explore literary interpretation by seeing "To Kill A Mockingbird" in the theater. A sophomore student shares, "Seeing the play brought the story to life and helped me understand the characters."

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