

Eagle Bluff

Environmental Learning Center



2015

Gratitude Report



Dear Friends,

You're Awesome. We're grateful!

And our 2015 Gratitude Report is a Great BIG Thank You for YOU!

In this report, I want to share student notes with you. You're changing their lives.

I want you to realize how important you are. Check out our infographic in the center for a revealing and important statistic. It really is caring individuals like you that make all the learning possible at Eagle Bluff.

I want you to see the vast impact you're having on students. Both in terms of number of schools, cities and states. And in the number of amazing learning experiences you make possible for them.

You truly are awesome. And we can't thank you enough. I hope you'll choose to continue to work with us again in 2016.

With Gratitude,



Joe Deden, Executive Director

2015

| What YOU Made Possible

There was something to learn every day, and now, I'm definitely more aware of my surroundings, and how to take care of the environment. Again, thank you for the gift.
Sincerely:
Lily



Tree Tops is the most popular class at Eagle Bluff. And we're always making changes and improvements to align with industry standards and maintain the highest level of safety possible. 2015 found us changing carabineers on safety straps to snap hooks, which require the user to perform 2 steps to open them. We also rearranged and added new elements to our courses.

But the most popular improvement was the addition of a practice course on the ground. Students get to practice switching safety straps one at a time. And practice elements on the high course. All the changes will make the Tree Tops experience more enjoyable for all our users.

Parent Note from:

Diane Kohler, mother of Carson

My son Carson attended last week from Longfellow Elementary. I wanted to cry as he told me about his experience. He talked about how we are affecting the environment and how we need to pay attention to the little changes that we make because these changes can grow and affect the whole food chain and the environment of the wild life.

He talked about everything that he had the opportunity to do. He said that he didn't want to do just one thing because he knew that when he got home, he would regret not trying all of the activities. He talked about the corn bread that he made and the raspberry tea that he drank. Carson loved the rope course and the team challenges; he said he learned a lot about team work.

As the days go on, Carson will share more and more with us. He even tried to teach his 25 year old sister how to use a compass. He talked about the meals and how great the food was, and how the milk was super cold! He told us about the food challenge that they needed to eat what they took.

Carson came home with so much knowledge and positive experiences that it made me tear up thinking about how empathetic he is for the environment, a skill that really can't be taught. I have a feeling that in the future his work will somehow be around conservation and environmental studies.

I am not sure who to thank or who will read this, but from Carson's parents, we thank everyone who helped and taught our son over those three valuable days. He told me that Eagle Bluff was different than what he thought it was going to be. I paused, and asked him how it was different. He replied, "It was so much better, than what I thought it was going to be." That statement was HUGE because from 1st grade until last Tuesday night, Carson talked about going to Eagle Bluff when he was in fifth grade. Please, please thank everyone who had the opportunity to teach last week, because I want them to know that their time, efforts, preparation and patience was not wasted on Carson. Thank you

You gave food, lodging, and a unique learning opportunity to 12,222 students, teachers, and chaperones from 134 schools and 56 other groups. You also gave a single day of unique learning to 2,545 students from 116 different groups. This means in 2015 **you've helped 16,082 students** become environmental stewards for the next generations!

(That's 2,000 more than 2014. Thank you)



Dear E.B.E.L.C Doners,

Thank you for putting some hard work for getting us to go to E.B.E.L.C. I know there was other stuff you could of gave the money to but you chose us, thank you so much for making this happen.

From,
Grace



2015 also found us gratefully on the receiving end of a \$25,000 gift from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous. The gift was to be used to help with student programs. This was a wonderful opportunity for us to purchase items off our class wish list. Here are the items we checked off:

- A new gator & a slightly used golf cart with canopy to transport students with special needs to remote class sites
- A large TV to show projected images of micro-invertebrates collected during Pond Life/Winter Pond Life Class
- Twelve android tablets for students to use during Archery Engineers class.



“My favorite part of class was the teacher’s ability to show her love for fossils. The kids and myself love the class. What a great afternoon.” Fossil Hunting class participant

“I thought I knew something about prairies and prairie restoration—hah! I’m excited to return to school, to the prairie visited, and apply what I learned.” Where the Buffalo Roam Prairie Tour class participant

“My favorite part of class was preparing and eating the foods we found. I would probably have been too afraid to try it on my own, so I appreciated the extra step of making and eating the food.” Foodies in the Forest Class Participant

Thank you so much for helping with our Skills School. Through the Skills School classes we’re expanding our market to provide more learning opportunities to adults. In 2015 we held 28 classes and had 208 participants.

We’ve also renamed the River Roots Skills School to the **Eagle Bluff Skills School** to stay consistent. Learn how at: www.eagle-bluff-skills-school.org



I loved Eagle Bluff sooo much
The best part about eagle bluff was
learning a lot of new things about
nature. I miss Eagle Bluff soo much.
I wish I could go there every
day. Sincerely, Haitley n



We were awarded \$18,695 from the **Fillmore County Soil & Water Conservation District** to help manage our storm water run-off problems and improve water quality.

The largest project was the hill by the Discovery Center. Gone is the washed out gravel path. In it's place is a beautiful terraced retaining wall and metal staircase.

Smaller improvements were made on ditches near the Discovery Center and the large parking lot. Each of these projects have native prairie plants to help with drainage and increase natural habitat areas for students to explore



Thank you very
much for your
dонтations
We had fun at Eagle
bluff you saved our
lives for a once in a
life opritunity. We love
that you gave us what we
wanted sooo bad. We Love
You ♡
♡ ♡ Love,
Nyveah

Dreams came true because of you! \$85,008 in scholarships were given to 2,590 (up 400 from 2014) students from 38 (up 3 from 2014) different schools. You took the stress off families wondering where they're going to come up with the money to send their child on this unique trip. You gave a child joy knowing what their family was able to contribute was enough. You let them share in the excitement of planning for the trip and finally the day arrives. Wow—the best is yet to come for that child, and all because you care. Thank you.



I had a great time over there. Every one made me feel happy and warm. The food was really taste, I always waited for seconds.

What I liked the most was when we went night hiking. I was very happy and of course I was also scared. I mean I couldn't see at least 3 feet in front of me. But that wasn't why I liked night hiking the most, it was because of the stars. They were beautiful. I don't see many stars in where I live, well not that beautiful any way.

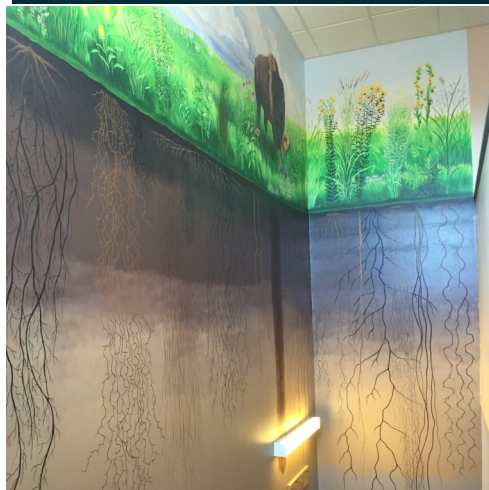
Thank you for letting me see how beautiful the stars really are.

Sincerely,
Tavisa



8th grade

Farnsworth Aerospace 5-8th

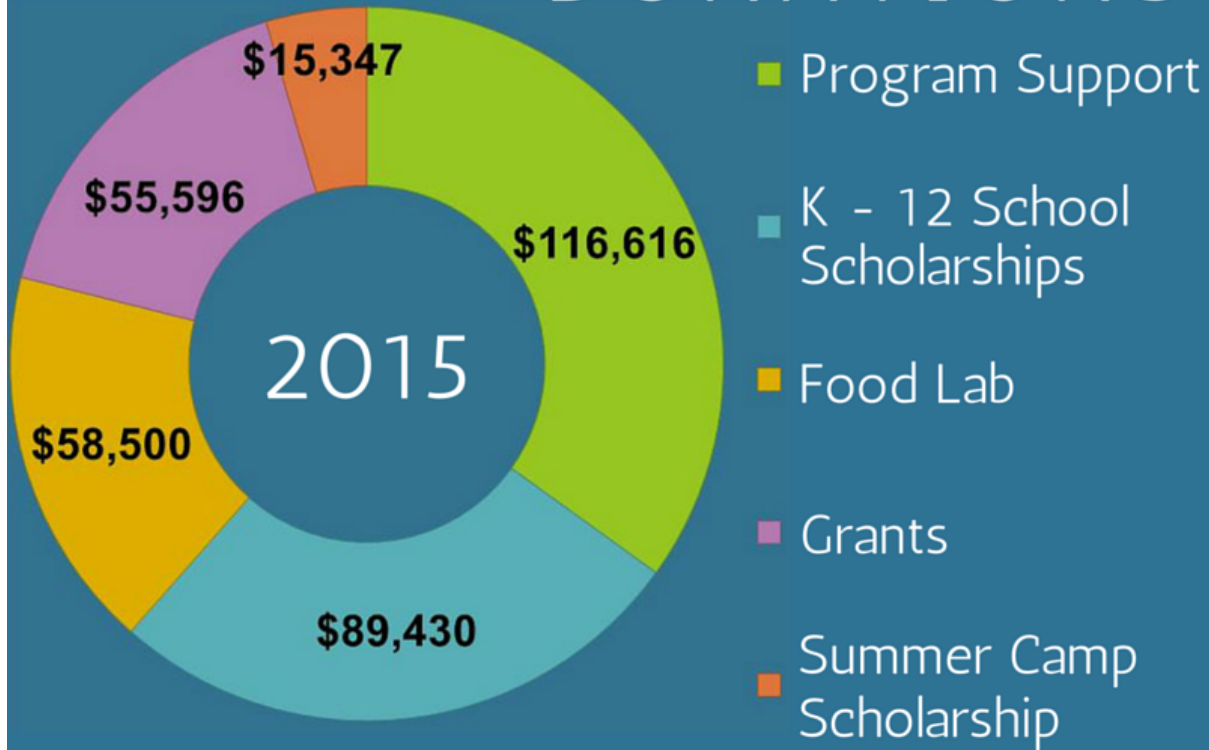


A **Prairie Mural** now adorns the wall by the stairwell in the Discovery Center thanks to the talents of Brent Anderson, Fellowship Coordinator.

This mural show a prairie during pre-settlement. But there's more to this beautiful scene that originally meets the eye. As students and visitors descend the stairs, they'll go underground so to speak, as those walls show the root systems of the prairie plants. What a beautiful way to immerse our students in the environment.

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WE'RE GRATEFUL**

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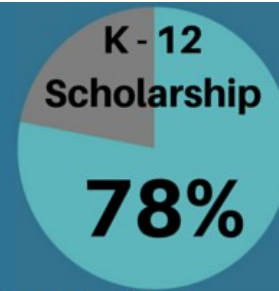


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AMAZING EXPERIENCES

CLASSES IN 2015



20 STUDENTS
PER CLASS!

3 OUT OF 10

STUDENTS RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS



\$85,008 GIVEN TO 2,590 STUDENTS

Thank you to our supporters, you give our students amazing experiences!

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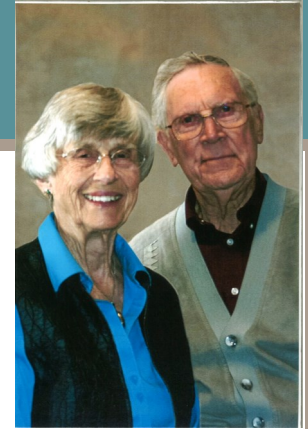
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Donor Spotlight:

Anah and Howard Munson



Howard and Anah both grew up on farms. It is perhaps natural that they should develop a deep and enduring interest in nature. In Howard's case, it led to a career in the teaching of biology and ultimately teacher education. For Anah incorporating nature in teaching art, a passion for gardening and owning a tree farm inspired her commitment to making future generations aware of their responsibility to safeguard it.

Long before the property was known as "Eagle Bluff", and before the Schroeder building was erected, the site was a center for environmental education. Howard recalls presenting workshops in Joe Deden's front room and basement to introduce area teachers to Project Learning Tree and Project Wild. These programs were distributed by the Minnesota Department of Education in the early 80's.

The transition to a place where school children could be housed and given the thrill of interacting with nature has increased the Munsons' interest and commitment to Eagle Bluff E.L.C. They are happy to support outdoor learning opportunities for children, especially those students who might not otherwise be introduced to the wonders of the natural world.

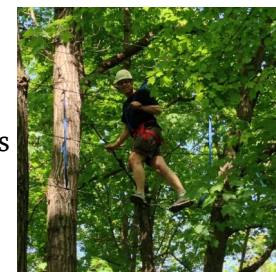
Note: Next time you're in the Discovery Center look for the Munson Classroom. We use it for Pond Life/Winter Pond Lab classes.

Donor Spotlight: Kris and Mark Litzow



The Litzow family LOVES nature and the outdoors. We have a wall of photos from years of family vacations and almost every picture is taken during an outdoor adventure. As you might imagine, Eagle Bluff has been a part of our family experiences for a long time. Here are a few of our Eagle Bluff stories-

- Our daughters, Andrea and Erin, took part in school trips to Eagle Bluff giving them many new and exciting opportunities to explore nature and themselves while sharing this time with friends. We joined in these trips as chaperones and marveled at the diversity and quality of the offerings open to students.
- Eagle Bluff gave Mark and me our first opportunity to snowshoe. We didn't completely understand the technique on our first attempt and were hoping no one was watching. However, that beautiful snowy afternoon wandering the trails of Eagle Bluff introduced us to a new winter sport which is now one of our favorites.
- We've participated in delicious season dinners which gave us the chance to meet with other outdoor enthusiasts and Eagle Bluff supporters while partaking in one of our favorite activities, eating fine food.
- We've taken the opportunity to participate in special programming. We warmly remember spending an evening with Craig Blacklock, becoming lost in his phenomenal nature photography from Minnesota and Wisconsin.
- Mark took the high ropes course with his work group in a team building activity. He has tales of excitement and accomplishment as well as times of knee-buckling fear. He keeps a daily reminder of this memorable experience as it's his phone's background photo.



These stories from our times at Eagle Bluff demonstrate why we so strongly believe in and support their mission and work. Eagle Bluff provides these same inspiring opportunities along with a wide variety of others to many individuals of all ages and from all walks of life.

Eagle Bluff is a true gift, not only for us in Southeastern Minnesota, but throughout the state, region and beyond. Their work helps us find our way back to nature while discovering a better understanding of and appreciation for our environment.

Our family wishes to express our deep gratitude to the staff of Eagle Bluff for what you do and believe in so passionately each and every day. Thank you also to the many Eagle Bluff supporters whose gifts of time, talent and/or money help to connect people of all ages to the wonders of our world.

Happy Exploring! Hope to see you out there. The Litzow Family

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Donor Spotlight: Beth and Dale Bargsten



Jerome Deden's parents were in my parent's wedding in June of 1943. His parent's dairy farm was located about four miles from ours. My mother, Verona, kept sending us newspaper articles on Jerome's career with the Forest Service and his research in growing mushrooms on oak logs. Upon my dad's death in 2007, my mother wanted to donate some money to Eagle Bluff. We went together on a tour of the learning center in 2008.

The 160 acre family farm I grew up on was organic and sustainable although neither we nor anyone we knew had ever heard of those terms. To us, 'eating local' meant going out the back door for fresh eggs from our chickens, vegetables from our large garden or a trip to the milking parlor's bulk tank for a five quart bucket of fresh milk. We raised chickens, hogs, dairy cattle and beef cattle on the corn, soybeans, oats, alfalfa and pasture grown on the farm's land. What we didn't harvest, butcher or process ourselves, we sold for cash. When I left the farm for college in 1962, I was actually shocked at the poor taste of grocery store produce and meat as it was quite different from what I had grown up with.

My grandfather, who was a dairy farmer, often said, "You take care of the land and it will take care of you". He instilled in me a great respect for all living things and their interrelationships.

When we learned of the plan at Eagle Bluff to start a Food Lab Education Program, we realized it was something very dear and important to my wife and myself. Today, urban youth may not have the opportunity to know what good, fresh, wholesome food tastes like. Eagle Bluff offers students quality food and emphasizes taking only what you can eat. Hopefully students will acquire both a taste and respect for this food and where it comes from which they take home to share with their own families.

After a career in plant genetics and my experience of growing up on a farm, I have a deep appreciation of living things. Eagle Bluff offers many opportunities for people to be involved with the natural world. The enthusiasm of the staff in these programs teaches young people how important the natural world is and how to understand it. Eagle Bluff passes on values that will make our world a sustainable place through youth who will be better stewards of the land because of their experience here.

My wife and I are proud to support this work. Thank you Eagle Bluff. Dale and Beth Bargsten

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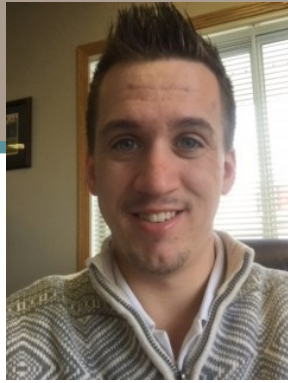
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Thank you for the wonderful
donations. You guys are awesome and
great. We wouldn't have had the trip
without you! I thank you for your
generosity!

With Appreciation,
THANKS Gaona

Former Student:

Cory Jacobson



It's been 15 years since I attended Eagle Bluff on my 5th grade field trip with Irving Pertzsch School in Onalaska, WI.

And I remember quite a bit about the experience. This field trip was very different from all the previous ones I had gone on. This would be my first overnight trip—and not just 1 night but 2. To most of us, it was a 3 day sleepover with all of our friend with lots of planned activities! To 11 and 12 year olds it was almost another Christmas break!

There were a lot of activities that focused on nature; activities that you would not get a chance to do during a typical day of school. Our trip was during the winter. I remember learning about different animal tracks we found in the snow.

We also learned how many of the area natives would mash corn, as well as how to start a fire. I got very tired trying to start that fire. I finally had to give up. *Note: Oneota class using a bow drill.*

All-in-all, Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center was a very unique experience that I would never have had without going on this field trip. I'm glad to see that students are still getting this opportunity to learn about nature and the environment. And I look forward to seeing my kids someday get the same opportunity I had. Cory Jacobson

Note: 2015 was the 15th year Irving Pertzsch has brought students to Eagle Bluff.

Gifts made In MEMORY of:

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Student mashing corn during Oneota class just like Cory did 15 years ago

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BB's Pizzeria
Liz Belina
Renee and Gene Bergstrom
Bilotti's
Bluapple
Gretchen Engstrom and Jeff Boland
Brenda and Mark Bonney
Bowlocity
Brother's Bar & Grill
Ann and Bill Bruins
Charlotte and Jim Burt
Canadian Honker
Chester's Kitchen & Bar
Chocolaterie Stam
Commonweal Theatre Company
Counterpoint
Creative Cuisine Company
Crooked Pint Ale House
Famous Dave's
Farmer Brothers Coffee
Fastenal Company Winona Store
Four Daughters Vineyard & Winery
Kathy and Bruce Frutiger
Bruce Gaylor
Darly Goetz
Goonies Comedy Club
Great Harvest Bread Co.

Bob "Hoogie" Hanson
Hastings Middle School
High Court Pub
HT Enterprises, Inc.
HuHot Mongolian Grill
Hunan Garden
HyVee Wine & Spirits—Winona
Ichi Tokyo
Jacobson's Pine Tree Apple Orchard
Jac's Bar & Grill
Jolivette Family Farms
Sandy and Fred Kiel
Kathy and Steve Klotz
Carol Lammers and Dave Kolbert
Dawn and Mark Kottman
Bethany and Robin Krom
Lake Art
Anna and Zach LaPorte
Lee Valley Tool
The Loop
Luther College Center Stage
Barb and Joel Mielke
Maria Moechnig
Mr. Pizza North
National Eagle Center
The New Clothesline Company
Nupa Mediterranean Cuisine
Oboz Footwear
Olive Garden
Outback Steakhouse
Barb and Mark Owens
Pam's Off Sale Liquor Store
Panera Bread Company

Preston Liquor Store
Red Lobster
Rochester Civic Theatre
Rushford Foods
S & A Petroleum
Scanlon, Nietz & Murch LLC
Natasha Yates and Ian Scheerer
Patricia Schmid
Gael Entrikin and Ray Schmitz
Maggie and Don "Doc" Schoepski
Sue and Kevin Schreurs
Simply Mac—Apache Mall
Mary and Vic Spaulding
Sturdiwheat Foods, Inc.
Sweet Stop Sandwich Shoppe
Linda and David Tacke
Target—Winona
Target North Rochester Super Store
Target South Rochester Super Store
Terza
Texas Roadhouse
Thirsty Belgian Bar & Kitchen
Urban Cheesecraft
Valley View Farms
Victoria's Ristorante & Wine Bar
Vintage Aerial
Watkins, Inc.
Wehrenberg Theatre
We-no-nah Canoes
Whistle Binkie's
Ye Olde Butcher Shoppe
ZING Anything



Thank you for giving
money so kids like me
can go to Eagle Bluff,
Thank you for an
opportunity of a life
time. I will never
forget about Eagle
Bluff.
With great thanks
Daneesha

2014 Residential Schools

You gave a unique learning experience to students in each of the following schools. Thank you!

Foundation Schools (15+ Years)

AFSA Middle School
 Al-Amal School
 Alice Smith Elementary
 All Saints School
 Aspen Academy
 Atheneum Gifted Magnet Program
 Bamber Valley Elementary
 Bluff View Elementary
 Bluffview Montessori
 Burnside Elementary

Tradition Schools (10+ Years)

St. Paul MN
 Fridley MN
 Hopkins MN
 Lakeville MN
 Prior Lake MN
 Inver Grove Hts MN
 Rochester MN
 Lake City MN
 Winona MN
 Red Wing MN

Partner Schools (5+ Years)

Cannon Falls Area Elementary
 Capitol Hill Magnet School
 Cedar Park Elementary
 Chatfield Elementary
 Chelsea Heights Elementary
 Christian Heritage Academy
 City Of Lakes Waldorf School
 Cologne Academy
 Community of Peace Academy
 Concord Elementary
 Creative Alternatives
 Creative Arts High School
 Cyber Village Academy
 Dakota Hills Middle School
 DaVinci Academy
 Dike-New Hartford Junior High School
 Dover Eyota Middle School
 Eagle Bluff Elementary
 Faithful Shepard School
 Farnsworth Aerospace Magnet
 Fillmore Central Middle School
 Folwell Elementary
 Friends School of MN

Inaugural School (First Year)

Cannon Falls MN
 St. Paul MN
 Apple Valley MN
 Chatfield MN
 St. Paul MN
 Rosemount MN
 Minneapolis MN
 Cologne MN
 St. Paul MN
 Edina MN
 Little Canada MN
 St. Paul MN
 St. Paul MN
 Eagan MN
 Blaine MN
 New Hartford IA
 Eyota MN
 Onalaska WI
 Eagan MN
 St. Paul MN
 Preston MN
 Rochester MN
 St. Paul MN



| Foundation Schools (15+ Years) | Tradition Schools (10+ Years) | Partner Schools (5+ Years) | Inaugural School (First Year) |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Garlough Environmental Magnet | W. St. Paul MN | Lyle Public School | Lyle MN |
| Gethsemane Lutheran | Maplewood MN | Mabel-Canton School | Mabel MN |
| GFW Middle School | Fairfax MN | Maple River Middle School | Mapleton MN |
| Goodhue Elementary | Goodhue MN | Medford Schools | Medford MN |
| Grand Meadow 4th grade | Grand Meadow MN | MFL MarMac Middle School | McGregory IA |
| Grand Meadow 6th grade | Grand Meadow MN | Minnehaha Academy | Minneapolis MN |
| Harriet Bishop Elementary | Savage MN | Minnetonka High School | Minnetonka MN |
| Hastings Middle School | Hastings MN | Minnesota Math & Science Academy | Woodbury MN |
| Hazel Park Preparatory | St. Paul MN | New City Charter | Minneapolis MN |
| Hiawatha College Prep | Minneapolis MN | New Prague Middle School | New Prague MN |
| Highland Park Middle School | St. Paul MN | North Winneshiek School | Decorah IA |
| Highlands Elementary 1st -5th grade | Edina MN | Northern Hills Elementary | Onalaska WI |
| Highlands Elementary 4th grade | Edina MN | NRHEG Public Schools | New Richland MN |
| Hilltop Elementary | Henderson MN | Oak Hill Montessori | Shoreview MN |
| Holy Cross School | Lonsdale MN | Olson Middle School | Bloomington MN |
| Holy Spirit School | Rochester MN | Our Lady of Peace Catholic School | Minneapolis MN |
| Hope Community Academy Charter School | St. Paul MN | Pacelli Junior High | Austin MN |
| Horace Mann Elementary | St. Paul MN | Park Spanish Immersion | St. Louis Park MN |
| Humboldt High School | St. Paul MN | | |
| Irving Pertzsch Elementary | Onalaska WI | | |
| JWP Elementary | Waldorf MN | | |
| Kasson Mantorville Intermediate School | Mantorville MN | | |
| Keewaydin | Minneapolis MN | | |
| Kenwood Elementary | Minneapolis MN | | |
| Kenyon Wanamingo | Kenyon MN | | |
| LaCrescent Middle School | LaCrescent MN | | |
| Lanesboro Elementary | Lanesboro MN | | |
| Laura Jeffrey Academy | St. Paul MN | | |
| LeRoy Ostrander Schools | LeRoy MN | | |
| Lewiston-Altura Intermediate School | Altura MN | | |
| Longfellow School | Rochester MN | | |

I think every body should go to Eagle Bluff at least once. Eagle Bluff was awesome and every one should go there.

Sincerely,
Ethan

Foundation Schools (15+ Years)

Pepin Area Schools
 Pinewood Elementary
 Plainview Elgin Millville Elementary
 Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School
 Prairie Crossing Charter School
 Prairie Lutheran School
 Pratt School
 Randolph Heights Elementary
 Red Pine Elementary
 Richfield Middle School
 Ridgeway Community School
 Riverway Learning Community
 Rochester Montessori
 Rushford Peterson School
 Sanford Middle School
 Schaeffer Academy
 Shattuck St. Mary's
 Sheridan Arts Magnet
 Sky Oaks Elementary
 South High School
 South Winneshiek Middle School
 Southland Middle School
 Spring Grove School
 St. Alphonsus School
 St. Ambrose School
 St. Bartholomew Catholic School
 St. Benedict Catholic School
 St. Casimir
 St. Croix Lutheran Middle School
 St. Dominic School

Tradition Schools (10+ Years)

Pepin MN
 Eagan MN
 Elgin MN
 Viroqua WI
 Grayslake IL
 Fairfax MN
 Minneapolis MN
 St. Paul MN
 Eagan MN
 Richfield MN
 Houston MN
 Winona MN
 Rochester MN
 Rushford MN
 Minneapolis MN
 Rochester MN
 Faribault MN
 Minneapolis MN
 Burnsville MN
 Minneapolis MN
 Ossian IA
 Adams MN
 Spring Grove MN
 Brooklyn Center MN
 Woodbury MN
 Wayzata MN
 Decorah IA
 Wells MN
 W. St. Paul MN
 Northfield MN

Partner Schools (5+ Years)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 St. Francis School
 St. Helena School
 St. Hubert School
 St. James Lutheran School
 St. Jerome School
 St. John Vianney Catholic School
 St. John's School
 St. John's School
 St. John's School
 St. Joseph School
 St. Mary's
 St. Michael Catholic School
 St. Patrick School
 St. Paul Lutheran
 St. Peter School
 Susan Lindgren Intermediate School
 Thomas Lake Elementary
 Tomah Middle School
 Transfiguration School
 Tri-City United
 Valley Crossing Community School
 Waseca Intermediate School
 Wayzata West Middle School
 Zumbrotta Mazeppa Middle School

Inaugural School (First Year)

Hastings MN
 Rochester MN
 Minneapolis MN
 Chanhassen MN
 Northrop MN
 Maplewood MN
 Fairmont MN
 Cannon Falls MN
 Rochester MN
 Jordan MN
 Waconia MN
 Owatonna MN
 Prior Lake MN
 Onalaska WI
 Cannon Falls MN
 N. St. Paul MN
 St. Louis Park MN
 Eagan MN
 Tomah WI
 Maplewood MN
 Montgomery MN
 Woodbury MN
 Waseca MN
 Wayzata MN
 Mazeppa MN

Eagle Bluff Board Members and Staff would like to express our appreciation and most sincere thanks to all the dedicated groups of teachers, parents and administrators who work so hard to provide environmental education experiences for their students. Thank you!

| | AUDITED | UNAUDITED | BUDGETED |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
| INCOME | | | |
| Grants | 86,763 | 70,000 | 42,500 |
| Contributions | 384,597 | 274,651 | 199,798 |
| Program Revenue | 1,539,917 | 1,608,540 | 1,599,740 |
| Investment Income | 25,654 | 20,000 | 18,000 |
| Other Income | 53,636 | 114,467 | 96,400 |
| Total Revenue & Support | 2,090,567 | 2,087,658 | 1,956,438 |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| Salary & Benefits | 1,021,114 | 1,050,108 | 1,063,610 |
| Insurance, Interest, Taxes | 94,796 | 91,416 | 90,881 |
| Supplies & Maintenance | 162,305 | 217,235 | 219,744 |
| Other Operating Expenses | 553,530 | 557,830 | 560,903 |
| Total Expenses | 1,831,745 | 1,916,589 | 1,935,138 |
| Operating Margin | 258,822 | 171,069 | 21,300 |
| Depreciation | (235,380) | (227,071) | (219,000) |
| Net Income | 23,422 | (56,002) | (197,700) |
| Net Assets Beginning of Year | 3,511,574 | 3,535,016 | 3,479,014 |
| Net Assets End of Year | 3,535,016 | 3,479,014 | 3,281,314 |

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