

Bellevue Schools Foundation supporters are investing **\$1 million** this year in programs that transform education and support students. Here are some of the ways these investments support kids at **Sammamish High School**:



- **Sammamish Leads:** The Sammamish Leads summer program provided real world, problem-based learning opportunities to 98 students in August. Over **\$123,000** invested in Sammamish Leads to support the program development and provide student scholarships.
- **College & Career Next Steps Initiative:** This is year six of this **\$850,000** investment to improve access and preparation to apply to college and other post-secondary educational opportunities. This initiative provides counselor training, student 24/7 access to *Naviance*, an online college and career planning tool, including SAT/ACT prep, resume and application support. In 2017–18, **Sammamish High students submitted more than 1,000 college applications using Naviance.**
- **AVID—Advancement Via Individual Determination:** Students with the will and potential to succeed receive study skills coaching and encouragement through AVID, a nationally-recognized program offered at Sammamish High. Bellevue Schools Foundation has provided over **\$770,000** to bring AVID to Bellevue and continued annual support for teacher training, licensing and AVID coaches.
- **BOOM & SHOUT:** Engages Black, Native American, Latino/a, Pacific Islander/Southeast Asian students with speakers and adult mentors who identify with them on racial, cultural, and social topics. Last year, **Sammamish High students participated** with more than 600 students from across the school district to learn leadership skills, college and career readiness, and community building. **\$40,000** invested over two years in this new innovative program.
- **National Board Certification:** Sammamish High teachers received support for their National Board Certification. **31% of Sammamish High teachers have achieved National Board Certification.** Students benefit from their teacher’s expertise and love of learning in Sammamish classrooms every day. Foundation donors have invested more than **\$950,000** to help the Bellevue School District lead Washington State in total National Board Certified teachers.
- **Volunteers in Bellevue’s Education System (VIBES) Mentoring Program:** VIBES mentors support **Sammamish High students**, including **College Corps** mentors who help them with college essays and applications. Last year, VIBES mentors guided over 4,500 students in Bellevue’s public schools. Foundation donors have provided **\$1.68 million** to support mentoring for 25+ years.
- **K–12 Computer Science Initiative:** One of the first-in-the-nation integrated K–12 computer science/computational thinking curricula. At the high school level, we are piloting computer science lessons in core science and math classes, AVID, and special education to help close gender gaps and

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gaps for other underrepresented students in computer science education and provide more students access to AP computer science. To date, Bellevue Schools Foundation donors have invested **\$400,000** in this cutting-edge initiative.

- **Social/Emotional Learning (SEL):** SEL helps students develop skills to address stress, positive relationships, and responsible decision-making to support a positive and productive life. SEL skills are learned and are linked to academic/life success. This year Restorative Practices are being piloted in Bellevue middle and high schools to build community and positive relationships. **\$235,000** invested in the secondary SEL initiative to date.

- **Arts, Enrichment & Innovation (AE&I) and Music Grants:** Teachers can apply for grants to fund music, field trips, and more. Bellevue Schools Foundation donors have provided over **\$2.25 million** in these school enrichment grants over multiple years, including many grant awards to **Sammamish High teachers** for orchestra, band, choir, field trips, STEM & robotics, and more. See the table for this year's grants to **Sammamish High**.

2017-18 AE&I Grants	Teacher	Award
Enacting Shakespeare: Bringing Romeo and Juliet to Life	Patricia Beltran	\$1,000
Sammamish High School First Robotics Team #2412	Kim Herzog	\$750
AP Environmental Science field trip to 21 Acres	Kristin Larson	\$600
Graphing Calculators	Whitney Rosenberg	\$250
Immersive Learning Platform for secondary math and science students	Jessica Youmans, Nicole Fyten	\$500