



Notes from the Director

Greetings from NDSCS!

November 2020

As we approach the holiday season, we can't help but reflect on how truly fortunate we have been in 2020. The one mainstay has been your generosity and continued support of the NDSCS Foundation.

Through your contributions, we have been able to award over \$575,000 in student scholarships this year. Your generosity was also reflected over the past 18 months with donations from 47 individuals. We raised 1.9 million and will receive a match of \$950,000 through the North Dakota Challenge Grant program. Thank you for your amazing support!

The future is bright, and we are excited to be a part of so many students lives seeking a greater tomorrow. Your support impacts not only the students but has a positive effect on our communities and the workforce.

While our in-person events have become virtual or postponed, our focus remains to stay connected to you through calls, emails, and our website. Together, we will continue to make NDSCS a great place to be!

Have a blessed holiday season,

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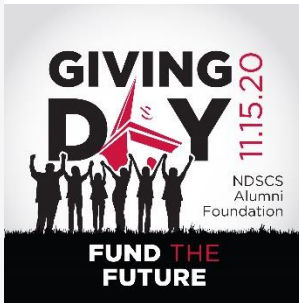
Annual Giving Campaign

2020-2021 Giving Campaign - Standing Strong

Each year the NDSCS Foundation reaches out to our friends and alumni seeking support of the College. These gifts allow us to carry out the strong traditions that NDSCS has built over the last several decades. The Foundation prides itself on building relationships and assisting those that want to give back. Please help us to reach our goal of \$122,000, we are currently up to 62% of that amount.

Make a Gift Today! [Donate](#)

NDSCS Giving Day



The NDSCS Alumni Foundation held its first Giving Day on November 15. The 24-hour online giving event, with a theme of "Fund the Future", supported the Foundation's charge to raise funds for students, faculty and programs. The event was developed in collaboration with students as part of a Business Management course. Thank you to everyone who participated in our Giving Day which raised more than \$3,000!

NDSCS Alumni Foundation Annual Report



NDSCS has a rich history full of wonderful success stories related to students, alumni, faculty, staff, retirees, friends, and donors. We are stronger together. The Annual Report recognizes the generosity and dedication of individuals, groups, foundations, organizations and businesses. Thanks for being part of the Tradition of Success here at NDSCS! [View 2020 Annual Report](#)

Wahpeton 3rd Annual Festival of Trees



Created as a way to spread some holiday cheer, the Festival of Trees celebrates community and the spirit of giving. The NDSCS Alumni Foundation is happy to participate in the 3rd Annual Festival of Trees by donating a toy-filled tree that will brighten someone's holiday. Hats off to all the generous participants and volunteers who donate to make the Wahpeton's Heritage Square merry and bright. The donate trees are given to area families in mid-December.

NDSCS Alumni Scholarship Lunches for 2020-2021

We try to connect our Scholarship Donors with the students who have received their scholarships by inviting them to attend a Scholarship Lunch. It is such a fun way to connect, share stories, and express appreciation. **In an effort to reduce the spread of Covid-19, we will not be hosting our annual Scholarship Lunches this year.** We hope we can resume this tradition again soon. View the [2020-21 Scholarship Book](#).



Welcome Stephanie Curtis

Stephanie Curtis, Alumni Relations Coordinator, is the newest member of the Alumni Foundation team. She is a 1998 NDSCS graduate and received her bachelor's degree in Management from the University of Mary. Stephanie has been a lifelong resident of Rothsay, MN and long-time employee of the Rothsay School District. She is excited to be back on campus where it all began for her. Stephanie and her husband Casey have three boys, one of which is a current NDSCS student in the HVAC/R Technology program. Stop by the Cultural Center to say hello if you are on campus!



Farewell and Many Thanks!

As we bring in our new employees Stephanie Curtis and Yoney Fobb, it is time to bid farewell to our team member Melissa Wynn. Thank you, Melissa for your six years in the Alumni Foundation office and being part of Wildcat family. Melissa and her husband Dan will be retiring and plan to enjoy traveling and spending time with their children and families. We wish them all the best. If you would like to send her a message, please do so at Melissa.wynn@ndscs.edu before December 20th.

EVENTS



NDSCS Fall Play

The NDSCS Performing Arts brings you the fall play, *The Reluctant Dragon*, virtually. You will be able to view the performance on YouTube beginning Thanksgiving evening, November 26th, through November 29th.

The cast includes Rilee Olson, Madison Kjar, Nolund Hughes, Brynlie Baggenstoss, Momo Olson, James Ulrigg, and Adam Stec.

[View The Reluctant Dragon Nov. 26-29](#)



DREAMS Auction 2021

We have exciting plans for the 26th Annual DREAMS Auction on April 9, 2021. A new venue this year will offer both an in-person event and virtual bidding options. You will be able to reserve a table at the Wahpeton Event Center and enjoy the catered specialties of the NDSCS Culinary Arts students. Others will be able to participate by bidding online from any location. Let us know if you have ideas or items for the upcoming fundraising auction.



NDSCS Wildcat Sports

The CATBACKERS Club appreciates all of you that have generously given. Memberships are still being accepted. These donations are used for athletic scholarships and to supplement operating costs. If you would like to become a CATBACKER, contact Adam Jacobson at 701-671-2285 or adam.t.jacobson@ndscs.edu.

NDSCS Athletics is still planning for winter sports to begin in January. Check for updates and schedules on their website: ndscswildcats.com.



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