

Their future. Your legacy.

## Consider a Legacy of your own family Enrichment Endowment Fund

Your love for Ladysmith Schools and our community runs deep. Perhaps you and other family members attended here as well as your children and grandchildren. In so many ways you would like to give back....but how? Many alumni want to leave a legacy, perhaps honoring a loved one in death by starting a scholarship fund in their memory. Your thoughtfulness can express itself in many other ways however. There is another unique opportunity to show your support for this program. Establish your own individual or family Enrichment Endowment Fund with the Rusk County Community Foundation.

Permit me to share a story. Recently, George Lawrence, husband of Anita Lawrence (art teacher with Ladysmith Schools for over 30 years) created the "Anita and George Lawrence Family Covenant Enrichment Fund" honoring their family's love for and commitment to their community and students. This professionally managed endowed gift will grow and give **FOREVER**. They gave knowing that their gift will excite young minds now and many years into the future. That opportunity is available to **all donors** wishing to establish their **own** family legacy foundation fund. You, or your children's, or your grandchildren's life success began at Ladysmith schools. An endowed family enrichment fund is a wonderful way of giving back reflecting both your personal values as well as professional and financial accomplishments at this point in your life.

## Consider....

- Your gift is **forever**. Endowed gifts give annually to youth enrichment projects while the principal still continues to grow. Your fund will be leveraged far into the future.
- 100% of your gift reaches the kids. Distributions from your fund will never be paying for school overhead.
- Distribution grants benefit **all** of our kids. Grants will never favor one group over another. Please see the SAMPLE ENRICHMENT GRANTS in our brochure.
- Your gift probably will be tax deductable lowering the cost of your gift considerably. In addition,
  Rusk County Community Foundation (RCCF) can work with donors' advisors for greatest tax
  benefit. RCCF may possibly accept non-cash gifts such as real estate, appreciated securities, or
  estate bequests.

If this idea of leaving a family legacy resonates with your charitable values please let us get together and explore your wishes and how you would like to proceed.

Kevin Smith, treasurer LEEF/RCCF

"It is every man's obligation to put back into the world at least the equivalent of what he takes out of it"-Albert Einstein