

# Watchdog Education Foundation Donor Form



I'm ready to make a difference in the life of a child!  
Enclosed please find my donation check for the following amount:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$75.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$250.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$500.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$1000.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$

**Remember:**  
Your contribution is tax-deductible as a charitable gift on your Federal Income Taxes.

### My Donation is for:

\_\_\_\_\_ Watchdog Education Foundation  
\_\_\_\_\_ Shanna Rae Christensen Memorial Scholarship Fund

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Mail to:

Watchdog Education Foundation  
c/o Beresford School District  
301 W. Maple St.  
Beresford, SD 57004

***Working together to enhance educational opportunities for the Beresford School District.***



### Bushels for Education:

The "Bushels for Education" campaign is a partnership between the Watchdog Education Foundation and Farmers Cooperative Elevator (FCE) of Beresford.

Area farmers who elect to participate in the "Bushels" campaign fill out a Watchdog Education Foundation Grain Voucher at the FCE office in Beresford.

When an operating farmer makes a charitable contribution of an agricultural commodity, the unsold inventory is removed from income before recognition and the farmer receives an income tax, and possible self-employment tax benefit.

Every bushel counts whether it is 10 or several 100 bushels it will help enhance and enrich education of local youth.

### Shanna Rae Christensen Memorial Scholarship Fund:

A special scholarship fund was set up by the David and Susan Christensen family in memory of their daughter Shanna Rae as a designated sub-fund of the Watchdog Education Foundation.

The scholarship is awarded annually in the spring to a Beresford High School senior whose intended plan of post-high study is in the area of special education, rehabilitation, or nursing. Funding is provided by the annual Tri-County Bike Tour.



# Watchdog Education Foundation



### **Working together to enhance educational opportunities for the Beresford School District.**

We are governed by a volunteer board of directors that represents parents, alumni, community and business leaders.

The Foundation has a permanent, designated endowed fund within the Beresford Area Foundation and South Dakota Community Foundation and through its affiliation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, tax-exempt organization.

### **Our Purpose:**

To support the Beresford School District's mission as it strives for excellence in attitude, academics, and achievement. The Foundation serves as a link between the community and schools.

### **Our Purpose:**

- Build an endowment for our children, the future leaders of our community.
- Support excellence in public education by encouraging and rewarding innovation in the classroom.
- Provide resources to genuinely enhance educational opportunities for students and staff beyond what is provided for within the school district's budget.
- Provide leverage necessary to secure funds and matching grants from private and public entities.
- Inform alumni and friends of the Foundation's activities to support the Beresford School District.

# Watchdog Education Foundation



## Our Goals

- Encourage all students to work at their highest potential.
- Support and recognize staff for exemplary teaching.
- Build community awareness for the Foundation and the school district.
- Inspire parents and community to join in enriching education.

## Administration

The Foundation is governed by a seven-member volunteer board of directors that includes a school board member, the superintendent of schools, a current Beresford High School student and an at-large community member.

The Board seeks funds and sets policies according to the Foundation by-laws and it is a separate legal entity from the Beresford School District. We cooperate with the District to enhance and enrich education.

The Foundation's Board of Directors determines the distribution of the fund's earnings to foster creative and innovative approaches to education.

We believe with the loyal support of the alumni, community and friends, the Foundation will have a very bright future in making a difference in the lives of Beresford students.

## Funding Options

- **Innovative Teaching Grants**—Encourage and reward innovative and creative approaches to instruction.
- **Special Programs**—Provide for curriculum enhancement at all levels.
- **Mini-grants**—To assist students in need.
- **Continued Education**—Opportunities for students and staff.
- **Student / Teacher Recognition**—Publicly acknowledge student and staff achievements.
- **Alumni Network**—Establish a link between school, alumni, and friends.

## How You Can Make a Difference

By contributing to the Foundation, you ensure support for the students and staff of the Beresford School District, now and into the future.

Gifts to the Foundation are tax deductible. Use your tax-deductible contribution to memorialize or honor a family member or friend.

Please detach the donor form and return with your gift.

## Other Investment Options

- **Planned Giving:** Wills, trusts, estate, life insurance, gift annuities, stock and other options recommended by an estate planner.
- **Matched Giving:** Contributions may be doubled or tripled when matched. For availability, please check with your employer.
- **Annual Fund Campaigns:** Participate in activities that take place each year to support the Foundation's programs.
- **Other Ways to Give:** You can support the Foundation through in-kind contributions, volunteering and by spreading the word.

### Who benefits from the Foundation?

- Students • Teachers • Alumni
- The Beresford School District • Agriculture
- Business and Industry • The Beresford Community



## Questions?

If you have any questions, would like more information, or are interested in making a contribution or donation to the Watchdog Education Foundation, please contact the Beresford School District Superintendent at 605-763-4293 or visit the Foundation webpage at:

[www.beresford.k12.sd.us](http://www.beresford.k12.sd.us)



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