

Buckeye Local Schools Foundation



The Buckeye Foundation funded many staff-generated projects in the 2004-05 school year. The third round of Staff Innovation Grants has just been approved and once again the projects are certain to enhance and enrich the learning experience for Buckeye students.

One project, awarded to high school social studies teacher Jeff Smith, has already been completed. Mr. Smith requested funds to take a group of students to a Model U.N. experience at Gannon University in Erie, Pennsylvania. Run by two college professors and their students, the Model U.N. gives high school students a better understanding of world issues and the realization of how difficult it is to get nations to resolve their differences.

Northeastern Ohio schools represented the Asian block of nations and the Buckeye students were assigned Sri Lanka. They spent many hours researching Sri Lanka and writing position papers on such important world concerns as genetic food production, the war in Sudan, and international disaster relief.

Representing Buckeye were the following students: Christine Bieniosek, Adam Carver, Katelynn Carver, Bryan Corbin, Michael Decker, Caralyn Doerge, Chris Illes, Arielle Rogers, Lisa Vogel, and Kyle Wolff. During this weekend experience this group of Buckeye delegates learned parliamentary procedure, international etiquette, role playing, and diplomacy, as well as an appreciation of the world's interdependency. The Foundation considers that an excellent return on their investment.

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