

IRVINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION'S



TOP 100

Corporate & Community Partners Supporting Educational Excellence

These socially responsible companies and organizations are investing in Orange County's future by ensuring educational excellence for each child in every school.

VALEDICTORIAN

\$1,000,000+

1. City of Irvine

SALUTATORIAN

\$100,000 +

2. Maruchan

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

\$50,000 - \$99,999

3. Howard Core Company
4. Galileo Learning
5. Hoag Orthopedic Institute
6. Kia Motors America

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

\$25,000 - \$49,999

7. Cox Communications
8. Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation
9. Experian
10. FivePoint/Great Park Neighborhoods
11. FUTEK
12. Google.org
13. Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian

CUM LAUDE

\$10,000 - \$24,999

14. University of California, Irvine
15. Strawberry Farms Golf Club
16. Liverpool Football Club International Academy SoCal
17. Broadcom Foundation
18. Stonecreek Plaza
19. SoCal Elite Sports
20. Total Wine & More
21. Sun Labs
22. Broadway by Amar Santana
23. Matt Leinart Flag Football
24. Rutan & Tucker, LLP
25. School Spirit Pays
26. Montage International Hotels & Resorts
27. ShariNori

28. Paul Hastings LLP
29. Angels Baseball Foundation
30. Assistance League of Irvine
31. AutoNation Toyota Cerritos
32. Bello by Sandro Nardone
33. Chinese American Mutual Association
34. eKadence Learning Foundation
35. Fifth Third Bank
36. Google Fiber
37. Gorjana
38. Kading Briggs LLP
39. Karma Automotive
40. Raymond Vineyards
41. Signature Party Rentals
42. Simply Orthodontics
43. TGIS Catering
44. Toyota Motor North America

FELLOW

\$5,000 - \$9,999

45. Promis Diagnostics
46. PPG Foundation
47. Trane
48. Edwards Lifesciences Foundation
49. SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union
50. PJHM Architects
51. Bonita Canyon PTA
52. Brite Ideas
53. JustGo
54. Irvine Korean Parents Association
55. Luminous Capital Management
56. Rainbow Rising
57. Manhattan Stitching Company

HONORS

< \$5,000

58. Backswing Golf Events
59. Papé Material Handling
60. FitzGerald Kreditor Bolduc Risborough LLP
61. AstroTurf
62. American Business Bank
63. Code Ninjas - Irvine
64. ESPN LA
65. Media Magic

66. VinFast
67. In-N-Out Burger
68. Anchor QEA, LLC
69. Aviles Real Estate Group
70. Bank of Southern California
71. First American Trust
72. First Foundation Advisors
73. Kairos Investment Management Company
74. Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth
75. Waste Management of Orange County
76. Young the Giant
77. Live Nation
78. Fisher & Paykel Appliances
79. Russian School of Mathematics
80. Woodbridge High School Makerspace
81. BNY Mellon Community Partnership
82. Fender
83. ModernBrain Speech & Debate
84. Voluspa
85. Coding Minds Academy
86. Irvine Unified Council PTA
87. Ruhnau Clarke Architects
88. South Coast Community Services
89. Tito's Vodka
90. Aston Martin Newport Beach
91. Hamamori
92. VMware Foundation
93. Johnson & Johnson MedTech
94. Del Mar Thoroughbred Club
95. Paul Martin's American Grill
96. PwC
97. Bank of America
98. Lisa Hu Chen Photography
99. Dancing Keys Music Studio
100. Nothing Bundt Cakes



Irvine Public Schools Foundation is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to enrich the educational experience of each child in every school by providing programs, raising funds, and uniting the community in support of educational excellence. Learn more at ipsf.net.



Thanks to the generous support of The City of Irvine, all contributions are matched dollar for dollar, doubling the impact for students.

INNOVATING FOR THE FUTURE



THE TOP 100 list represents some of the most influential organizations in the county, all dedicated to ensuring the future of our community through investments in innovative approaches to education.

Thanks in large part to contributions from such leading partners, IPSF has awarded over \$2.6 million as part of its Innovative Grants Program directly to educators and schools. Through these innovation grants, students have learned advanced principles of physics by constructing electric guitars, solved cold cases through forensic science, supported students in crisis with peer-to-peer suicide prevention programs, and much more!

Supporting innovation in schools has been a cornerstone of IPSF's commitment to educational excellence since 1996. When students and teachers have opportunities to collaborate, learn, and explore, the possibilities are limitless.

To learn more and support the future of innovative education, visit www.ipsf.net/Top100.



“Students come back and tell me they are only passing physics because they learned electricity and magnetism with their guitar. This project makes students who haven’t wanted to come to school for a long time want to come to school, to stay after, to work during lunch, to learn on the weekend. I saw this project rekindle a lot of flames.”

— Daniel Pilchman,
Woodbridge HS Teacher
& IPSF Grant Recipient



Advancing Student Opportunities For Tomorrow's Workforce

Orange County is one of the fastest-growing and most diverse business sectors in the United States, creating a high demand for skilled and dynamic talent to support its growth. **Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF)** continues to build bridges between academic and business communities to create opportunities for students to gain the skills, confidence, and passion required to be successful in today's competitive STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) workforce.

For 27 years, IPSF's mission to provide programs, raise funds, and unite the community in support of educational excellence has resulted in tremendous impact in the quality and equity in public schools. IPSF has contributed more than \$100 million in grants and program support to public education since 1996, making it one of the leading education foundations in the nation.

Fueling Innovation

Making schools centers of innovation can only be achieved if teachers have opportunities to bring revolutionary learning opportunities to life. IPSF has awarded over \$2.5 million through its *Innovative Grants Program* to support innovation in schools, launch new curriculum, and improve students' educational experiences. In the last five years, the Innovative Grants Program has awarded grant funding to 90% of Irvine Unified K-12 schools, benefiting thousands of students.

"In order to prepare students for the future, we must provide them with hands-on experiences and skills that they can apply to real world situations," explains Neda Eaton, President & CEO of Irvine Public Schools Foundation. "We are proud to support educators who are passionate about elevating student learning far beyond standard academic curriculum."

The Innovative Grants Program provides students access to expanded learning through groundbreaking projects including a hands-on aquaponics and aquaculture elementary school science class, a high school elective on climate science that not only educates but empowers students to take action, a harmony playground that introduces Kindergarten students to the principles of music through outdoor play, and many more. These grants help to fund innovative approaches that bring deeper meaning to curriculum and broaden opportunities for critical thinking, creativity, and problem solving.

Big Ideas, Big Impact

When Woodbridge High School teacher Daniel Pilchman came to IPSF with his idea to teach students about waves, electricity, magnetism, and engineering by constructing and playing electric guitars, an IPSF Innovation Grant made his big idea a reality.

The Makerspace Guitar Project is a collaboration between Woodbridge High School's Makerspace and Physics department that leverages students' interest in music and performance to help them engage with abstract and complex concepts, including electricity and magnetism, in the high school science curriculum. This past year, IPSF extended multi-year support for the successful program to create new progressive courses to be launched across the next few years in animatronics and dual enrollment courses with Irvine Valley College in advanced design and prototyping.

The Innovative Grants Program allows IPSF to make an immediate impact in classrooms by supporting new approaches to teaching and learning that continue to push innovation forward in schools. With contributions from community and corporate supporters, IPSF funds innovative projects to ensure Irvine's place at the leading edge of educational excellence.

Ensuring Access to Opportunities

Through afterschool and summer enrichment programs, IPSF encourages students to explore their interests and discover new passions. With courses including coding, robotics, theater, debate, and entrepreneurship, students apply what they learn during

the school day in new ways, while also collaborating with students outside of their traditional classes.

By nurturing the spark of curiosity within each child, students are empowered to grow and discover their own unique gifts, talents, and passions. IPSF enrichment programs also provide students with positive mental health outcomes, with a staggering 85% of parents reporting that IPSF classes had a positive impact on their child's self-esteem.

IPSF's commitment to high-quality educational enrichment for every child includes scholarships for families with financial need. The organization believes that all

students should be able to participate in a variety of STEAM courses, regardless of their ability to pay. Generous contributions from leading corporate partners like AutoNation Toyota Cerritos, Experian, FUTEK, and Google help ensure that all students have access to opportunities that will educate, engage, and inspire the future leaders of our community.

Connecting Education and Industry

Early exposure to real-world application of academic study has proven to be a successful formula for inspiring more interest in STEAM-related fields and majors. IPSF has remained steadfast in its commitment to STEAM education to empower K-12 students to be curious learners who seek creative solutions to problems, and in the process develop the soft and hard skills necessary to succeed in college and future careers.

Long-term investments in STEAM through initiatives including Ask a Scientist Night, Career Technical Education Pathways, and Science Fair, put Irvine students ahead of the curve. These efforts are making an impact, with Irvine students consistently outperforming their peers in these subjects. In 2023 Advanced Placement (AP) testing, Irvine students scored on average 20% higher in science and art disciplines than students across California.

Through robust partnerships IPSF continues to explore new approaches to inspire student interest in STEAM careers by collaborating with educators on programs and events that bring

together academic and corporate partners.

"With so many challenges facing students today, it is more important than ever that they have access to enrichment opportunities that inspire wonder and provide a creative outlet," explains Javad Mokhbery, President & CEO, FUTEK. "Through our partnership with IPSF, we are able to positively impact students' K-12 educational journeys, so they are prepared to meet the challenges of today and of the future."

Stepping Up for Students

Known as the "City of Innovation," Irvine embodies the traits of a successful tech hub city with outstanding K-12 schools and universities that provide a readily available workforce and a strong base of talent. From small businesses to global leaders, corporate supporters understand that educational excellence is crucial to maintaining Orange County's position as a leader in innovation.

"What makes Irvine so special is how we as a community have remained committed to the principles of education and innovation established over 50 years ago," says City of Irvine Mayor Farrah N. Khan. "The City is proud of its significant investment and partnership with IPSF to unite our business leaders, parents, and educators in support of educational excellence for our students. By working together as a community, we can prepare and nurture the next generation of leaders who will propel this region forward for years to come."

If you are interested in learning more about partnering with IPSF and becoming one of the *Top 100 Corporate & Community Partners Supporting Educational Excellence*, please contact President & CEO Neda Eaton at neaton@ipsf.net. To learn more about Irvine Public Schools Foundation, visit www.ipsf.net.

