

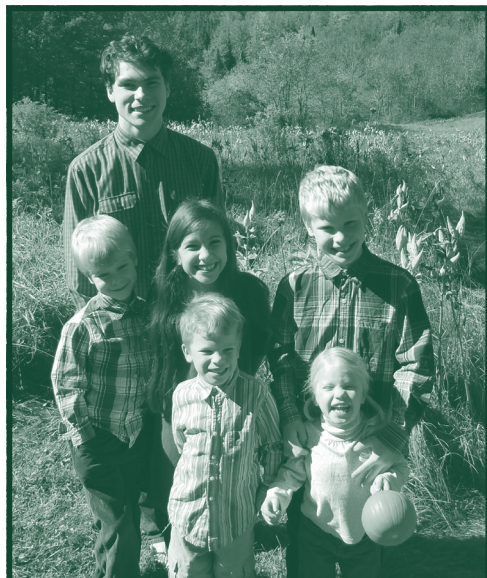


EMPOWER MAINE CHILDREN

MAINE CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

CELEBRATING 18 YEARS

FALL 2018



Dear Maine Children's Scholarship Fund,

Thank you so much for blessing us with a scholarship this year. Our family is so grateful for this amazing opportunity. We are able to teach to our children's passions more deeply because of your generosity.

My 8-year-old will be taught history lessons based on the her love for the American Girl series starting with the late 1700's.

All of the children were thrilled to open up a beautiful telescope that will help us view the night sky and assist with our astronomy studies as we map stars and discover the fascinating universe around us.

Our oldest son is excited to start his first dual-credit course at the local college as well as continue his love for science with a rigorous Physics course offered at our co-op.

Our ten year old, who used to resist reading, was beyond happy to open up his box of independent reading books which included the How To Train Your Dragon series. He was OVERJOYED to discover that art was going

to be taught at our co-op this year! He and his sister work on their practical art skills at the co-op. We will also be teaching art appreciation here at home as we discover the great artists and their works.

We are excited to explore science in the Industrial Age as we focus both on concepts as well as thinkers, who include Georges Cuvier, Jons Jakob Berzelius, William Prout, Sir Charles Wheatstone, Louis Pasteur and James Clerk Maxwell. Other topics include proteins, motors, the speed of electricity, fermentation, spontaneous generation, supersonic speed, and radiation. We have many exciting experiments in store.

It is going to be such a FUN year!!! We have handwriting and cursive, spelling and reading, wonderful read-alouds during our afternoon tea, science experiments before lunch, history lessons several times a week, and a good dose of grammar, math, and writing sprinkled in throughout the day, as well as fine arts to entice our imaginations...we are looking forward to an exciting year! The Estes Family

MCSF AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS THROUGHOUT MAINE

Thanks to the generous donations of our many contributors we happily awarded 26 new scholarships, giving us a total of 118 scholarships awarded to students in kindergarten through grade twelve for the 2018-2019 academic year. Scholarship awards averaging \$817.21 have been granted to students from 34 towns and 12 Maine counties. However, this still leaves 511 students waiting. These families are committed to education excellence and are trying to do the best for their children, but they are struggling financially. Our goal is to take more students off the waiting list each year.

Kari Hunt
Program Director

Brighten Your Life Raffle Winner

Earlier this year we held an annual raffle. We raffled off a 11/8kw residential generator. Congratulations to our winner, Larry of Bangor!

Keep an eye out for our 2019 annual raffle, and a chance to win a home stand by generator!

Accepting Applications

January 1, 2019 - April 30, 2019

Visit www.mecsf.org for more information.

WHAT IS MAINE CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND?

The Maine Children's Scholarship Fund (MCSF) provides scholarships to Maine children in grades K-12 to help pay for part of public, private or home-school expenses. MCSF provides 75 percent of tuition per child up to \$1,400 and the families contribute at least 25 percent. MCSF reimburses home-schooling cost up to \$500 per child. Scholarships are awarded to all school aged children in a family. To qualify, family income must be at or below the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program.

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