

ABOUT MPEF

The Missouri Public Education Foundation was established in 2022 as a 501(c)3 organization to be a trusted and positive voice for public education in Missouri. MPEF's purpose is to educate the general public on the positive impacts of public education through a combination of communication, outreach, advocacy, and research initiatives.

The Missouri Public Education Foundation is governed by a Board of Directors who oversee our organizational strategy and budget. The Advisory Council lends additional support and expertise by incorporating the perspectives of key stakeholder groups across Missouri.

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2024 Highlights

RESEARCH



MPEF secured a \$75,000 three-year grant from MIT Blueprint Labs to study the effects of charter school closures on students and teachers. This project will produce scholarly research articles, editorials, and other reports targeting a variety of audiences.

DESE EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH PROGRAM



Each month MPEF celebrates the DESE employee of the month with a monetary award presented at a State Board of education meeting.

MSBA CONFERENCE PRESENTATION



The MPEF board chair and executive director presented to a packed room at the Missouri School Boards' Association Annual Conference in Kansas City. This opportunity helped build stakeholder support for MPEF's work across the state including the addition of three new members to our advisory council..

2025 PREVIEW

TEACHER OF THE YEAR SUPPORT

MPEF is working closely with DESE to support the Missouri Teacher of the Year program.

WEBSITE LAUNCH

The MPEF website launched in spring 2025. It was designed by a Columbia Public Schools student at the Columbia Area Career Center.

ADVOCACY

MPEF continues to build relationships and collaborate with stakeholders including the State Board of Education, DESE, MSBA, and a wide variety of education-related professional organizations and advocacy groups.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

INCOME

MPEF is funded through donations from individuals and research grants. We are seeking to expand financial support from individuals, organizations, and grant-making organizations to increase our capacity to carry out our mission.

EXPENSES

Our current annual expenses are approximately \$35,000.



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