



to give Daphne students the learning experiences needed to compete and succeed in a 21st century global economy.



SEEDS 2006 - '07 ANNUAL REPORT

A lot of people in Daphne are teaming up with **SEEDS** to expand our children's horizons.

SEEDS is an independent, non-profit education foundation that brings together citizens of all ages who value learning and share a vision for education's role in **Daphne's future.**

PROVIDING ENRICHMENT

where we've been

- > Distributed \$19,000 between 2005 - '07 to teachers in the five Daphne public schools and Christ the King Catholic School through SEEDS' Enrichment Grant Program.
- > Lobbied successfully for Daphne High School to be authorized to apply for the International Baccalaureate Programme, a rigorous pre-university curriculum designed for highly motivated secondary students in selected schools throughout the world.
- > Initiated research for The SEEDS Lyceum, a community learning network focusing on humanities-related studies that will provide summer day camp opportunities in areas such as language arts, history and drama.

where we're headed

- > Award \$25,000 in new grants for the 2007 - '08 term (including a \$3,000 block grant to each Daphne school) to fund initiatives designed to increase achievement, improve instruction, encourage innovation and strengthen community partnerships.
- > Continue our support for Daphne High's IB application process and, pending its approval, provide scholarships and needed technology for Daphne's first class of IB students in 2008 - '09.
- > Offer exciting new 2008 summer camp opportunities for Daphne students and families through The SEEDS Lyceum.

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JOIN THE TEAM!

Enroll as a Friend of SEEDS for the 2007 - '08 school year at any of these levels:

As a Friend of SEEDS, you can help Daphne's education foundation:

Provide Enrichment

Encourage Improvements

Build Community

Raise Funds

Individual

___ Student	\$5.00
___ Friend	\$20-99
___ Patron	\$100-\$249
___ Silver Patron	\$250-\$499
___ Gold Patron	\$500-\$1,499
___ Platinum Patron	\$1,500+

Group/Corporate

___ Family	\$20-\$99
___ Partner	\$100-449
___ Advocate	\$500-\$2,499
___ Silver Advocate	\$2,500 - \$4,999
___ Gold Advocate	\$5,000-\$14,999
___ Platinum Advocate	\$15,000+

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SEEDS' 3RD ANNUAL MAMMA MIA COOK-OFF

*A Celebration of Daphne's
Italian Heritage*

- **Sat., Nov. 10, 2007,
6-9 p.m.**

On the grounds of
Hutchinson, Moore & Rauch
Engineering
2039 Main Street, across
from Lott Park

- **\$25 advance tickets
\$30 at the gate**

- Team and sponsorship info:
www.seedsindaphne.org

SEEDS' CLASSIC ROCK 5K & FUN RUN '08

- **Saturday, March 1, 2008**

5K start 8 a.m., near
Daphne Public Library
Fun Run start 9 a.m., from
Centennial Park

- Live classic rock and great
family fun!
- **Mark your calendar!
Register after Jan. 1**



ENCOURAGING IMPROVEMENTS

where we've been

- > Worked since 2004 to facilitate communications about and to advocate for improvements in the Daphne schools. From zoning issues to new school construction and renovation, SEEDS has assumed a key role in bringing together interested parties through town meetings, focus groups and strategic committee work.

where we're headed

- > Continue hosting bi-monthly luncheons for Daphne principals to enhance

collaboration between our schools.

- > Continue monitoring school board decisions and district-level policies to provide input for effective implementation and future planning.
- > Continue to convene elected officials, business leaders and school administrators for our Annual Visioning Meeting to assess educational progress in Daphne and to shape SEEDS' future program of work.

BUILDING COMMUNITY

where we've been

- > Established the TEAM Up for Daphne Character Coalition in 2006 involving business and faith community leaders, local agency directors and elected officials who support character education in our schools and have committed to Teach, Enforce, Advocate and Model good character.
- > Convened parent organization leaders from each Daphne school in a first-of-its-kind Back-to-School PTA/PTO Networking Seminar to strengthen communications within our education community.

where we're headed

- > Host Principal-For-A-Day 2007, in conjunction with national Character Counts Week, to give local business and civic leaders a first-hand look at the ways in which character education is being integrated into all aspects of school operations in Daphne.
- > Launch It Takes a Team! campaign to encourage community-wide support for and ownership of our children's academic success.

RAISING FUNDS

where we've been

- > Raised over \$41,000 for educational enrichment and school and community partnerships since 2005 through SEEDS' signature annual fundraisers – The Mamma Mia Cook-off and the Classic Rock 5K and Fun Run.
- > Secured \$50,000 in "seed" grants from the City of Daphne and the Baldwin County Commission to launch the foundation's comprehensive

communications program and strengthen its long-term sustainability.

where we're headed

- > Encourage all Daphne citizens to make an annual contribution to SEEDS through the Friends of SEEDS Program.
- > Leverage our community's investment in SEEDS by securing outside corporate and foundation grants.

PLANT SEEDS. GROW DREAMS.

Please make your tax-deductible check payable to SEEDS and mail it with this completed enrollment card to:

SEEDS | Post Office Box 460 | Daphne, AL 36526

YES, I want to enroll as a Friend of SEEDS!

Name(s): _____

Company or organization (if applicable): _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (optional): _____ E-mail: _____

My child(ren) attend(s) (if applicable): _____

School(s) _____

I would like to receive information about the following: (Check all that apply.)

- SEEDS' ongoing or event-related volunteer opportunities
- How to become a 2007 Mamma Mia Cook-off sponsor. (You can earn tickets for signing up your company!)
- Team Guidelines for the 2007 Mamma Mia Cook-off
- How to become a 2008 Classic Rock 5K and Fun Run sponsor