

# Just About Kids



Just About Kids Foundation

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## Teacher Grants

The JAK Foundation operates as an Academic Service Learning Booster Club at Kingwood High School. We run business type projects in the school, and host fundraising events. All proceeds from our ventures go back into KHS in the form of teacher grants. Grants of \$500 or less per teacher are awarded. Teachers, students and/or parents can write for grants on behalf of a classroom. JAK students developed a grading rubric and use it to evaluate the grants. Our student officers then present the grants to the JAK adult board members at monthly Board meetings. The students run the Board meetings, which provides them the opportunity to be part of the "corporate" process of running the organization. The Board's role is to provide mentorship. They help steer the students towards "best in class" business procedures and to provide clear business acumen that the students can employ in their projects. In turn, the board members learn from the students and have a much better appreciation of school needs.

JAK is in its third year at KHS. In three years, we have funded **over 130 grants** to teachers: including a special grant project to provide nineteen commercial grade printers for classrooms. See page 5 for list of 2013-2014 Grants.



## Our Accomplishments

- ★ **Over 130 Grants Funded since inception**
- ★ **Outdoor Classroom Built**
- ★ **\$ 38,700 in External Grants**
- ★ **8 College Scholarships**
- ★ **7 School Based Businesses**
- ★ **Community Service Projects**
- ★ **Business Partnerships Established**

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## About Us

JAK - Kingwood is a non-profit 501c3 charitable organization that operates as a club at Kingwood High School.

We teach entrepreneurial and leadership skills while inspiring a sense of philanthropic service. The JAK Board is comprised of local business leaders who lend their expertise to our students. Our board members believe in building and nurturing the community/school relationship, making an impact within KHS, and informing the community about school funding issues.

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**Connecting People Who Care  
With Causes That Matter!**



**Mustang Impact Measured  
By Mustang Results**

Our students did a fantastic job writing, evaluating and presenting our JAK grants. This year, JAK set a goal to begin teaching our students how to write external grants. This is a skill set that will help them in any future career, as well as in their future philanthropic endeavors.

We started a year ago by applying for a Humble ISD Education Foundation grant for JAK and Lauren Kerbow (Head of the English Department). We were awarded a \$950 grant entitled "Creating Social Entrepreneurs -Teaching Kids to Write Grants". We have been writing a grant curriculum that can be taught in junior level English classes. It will be implemented in Fall 2014.

This year, JAK students developed ideas, did background research with teachers, and edited the grants for 13 HISD Education Foundation grants. KHS was awarded 9 of these, which accounted for \$31,000 of the \$39,000 total awarded to KHS!

*Social Entrepreneurs identify resources where people only see problems. They begin with competence and unleash resources in the communities they're serving.*

# External Grants

*Connecting the Reality of Life  
To the Possibility of Dreams!*



JAK Student Help KHS Win Target Corporation Grant  
Congratulations to Travis Johnson!



Travis worked with Science teacher, Mr. Ripps to write a grant to Target Corporation. They were awarded \$700 to take the Astronomy Classes to Burke Baker Planetarium.



Calhoun and Tims	Going Gangbusters for Grammar	\$4,448	Clicker technology for 2 English classes
Foreign Language Dept	Bonjour! Guten Tag! Hola!	\$4,166	Textbooks and AP materials for French, Spanish, German and American Sign Language
Aston/Salinas/McCann	Leveraging Great Institutions for Business Education	\$1,600	Registration fee for DECA conference Economics Field trip Federal Reserve Bank Field Trip to UofH Conrad Hilton School of Restaurant Management
Ripps	Every Atom in Your Body Came from a Star that Exploded	\$2,589	Solar telescope and 3 professional grade reflector telescopes
Odom	iMacs for Education	\$6,570	iMacs
Berude	Clinical Clickers	\$2,224	Clickers for Health Sciences class
Multiple campuses (Chadwick at KHS)	To Perfect His Work, A Mechanic Must First Sharpen his Tools \$4,685	\$4,685	Automotive industry standard shop management software (Shopkey). All high schools: Atascocita, Humble, Kingwood Park, Summer Creek
Dodgen	Integral to Discovery: Cube X Duo Personal 3D Printer	\$5,286	3D Printer
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$31,568</b>	

*Teaching our children, even if it is one child at a time, that what they get out of life depends a lot on what they give.*



# Just About Kids Businesses



**These projects operate inside Kingwood High School to generate funds for JAK Grants or directly benefit the classroom that works on the project.**

**Just About Kars** is sponsored by JAK and Napa Auto Parts Kingwood (1700 Northpark Drive). The KHS Automotive Technology Classes perform oil change services on cars. They will change your oil and filter, check all other fluids, test your battery, and check your belts, wiper blades and air filter. This school year, they made **\$445** in profit and used the proceeds to take two field trips: (1) San Jacinto College automotive program and (2) Houston Raceway Park in Baytown for the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) Education Day at the Races.

**Just About Kats**--Do you have a cat? Or know someone who does? The KHS Construction Trades Class will build a custom cat condo just for your finicky feline! All donations received will be granted directly into the KHS Construction Trade Classroom so they can fund their classroom needs for purchasing supplies and woodworking equipment. In Partnership with JAK, Showcase Carpets of Kingwood, Alspaugh's Ace Hardware and Waste Management all have donated construction supplies.

**Printer Cartridge Recycling Program:** JAK collects printer and toner cartridges to recycle to earn cash. Items are collected at the greeter's desk, and we have several companies that collect them on behalf of JAK/KHS. A big thank you to Edward Jones, Fondren Orthopedics, Old Republic Title, Line and Laser Printer, Humble Surgical, Capital Title, Laser Commercial Supply, and our newest partner, Cartridge World USA in Humble. So far, we have recycled nearly **1500 pounds** of cartridges and generated **\$900**, which was used to fulfill JAK grants.

**Coca Cola Bottle Tops**—KHS students have been collecting Coca Cola bottle tops and cartons all school year. We have been entering these into the Coca Cola database. Data entry will continue this summer and then we will redeem the points for supplies, etc. for the school.

**Mustang Messenger:** this is a project started last year by a JAK student. We have a 60-inch television in the KHS Commons. Parents and businesses buy ads to get their message to all KHS Students and Staff.

**Just About Koffee:** The Project is sponsored by JAK. The Special Services classes at KHS run a coffee business to provide coffee to teachers, and in turn, use their profits to fund their classroom needs.

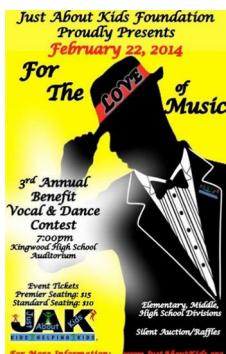
**Book Drive:** This is JAK's newest project. Students can turn in their class novels, Cliff/Spark Notes and SAT/ACT/AP prep and subject test books as a donation (tax deductible form available). Books will be sold next year and proceeds will be used to fund classroom needs. This year Thanks to Project Grad partnering with JAK we have already collected over 1,000 books!



# JAK Projects/Events



## For the **LOVE** of Music



### Sofia Pina 2014 High School Vocalist 1<sup>st</sup> Place

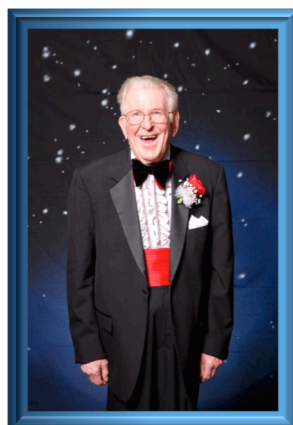
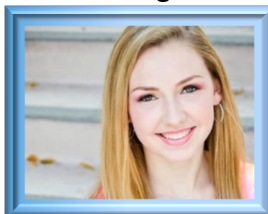


### Doug Love Love Scholarship

The Love Scholarship was founded in loving memory of Mr. Doug Love, who had an absolutely amazing 90-year life. KHS is fortunate that Mr. Love spent the last 27 years sharing his time, his enthusiasm, his laughter, his deep conviction to our school, his unforgettable charm, his wonderful sense of humor, and his deep conviction for our school ...but mostly for sharing his love with all those who have entered the doors of Kingwood High School for so many years.

The JAK Foundation's premiere event of the year, For the LOVE of Music, was held on February 22, 2014. Is a singing and dancing competition open to several Northeast Houston area school districts (Humble ISD, New Caney ISD, Huffman ISD, Aldine ISD and Spring ISD). Vocal and dance tryouts were held in the elementary, middle and high school divisions, and the finalists compete in the show. All funds raised benefit Kingwood High School.

### Clara Foster 2014 High School Dance 1<sup>st</sup> Place



### Love Scholarship Recipients

2014 - Anthony Jaramillo  
2013 - Jackie Lacefield  
2012 - Nicolas Johnson  
2012 - Alexandra Gary

### JAK Outdoor Classroom:

In the 2012-33 school year, JAK built an outdoor classroom. It continues to be widely used to teach classes; for example, Ms. Berude conducted Medical Technology classes here. In addition this year, Mr. Henry's AP World History class celebrated Earth Day and Arbor Day by planting a Southern magnolia tree near the classroom.



### Teacher Supply Drive

JAK holds a Teacher Supply Drive every year to provide teachers with much-needed materials for their classrooms. We had 8 tables of supplies, graciously donated by KHS families! Post-its, printer paper and pencils and so much more! Teachers were very appreciative. Thanks to everyone who donated and participated!

**JAK sold concessions at the This is Kingwood SpringFest** held at KHS March 29, 2014. Proceeds were used to fund a field trip for Mr. Chuter's Special Needs theater class to go to Main Street Theatre in Houston to see the play "Frog and Toad". The field trip was a great success and the KHS class later performed the play themselves!



### JAK Student Vs. Teacher Basketball Game

Each year the Teachers face off against the Students - it is now a TIE with one student Win and one Teacher Win!





# JUST ABOUT KIDS FOUNDATION

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE



*Where Legacies Begin....*

### How Can You Help?

**Become A Booster Club Member**

**Be A Corporate Event Sponsor**

**Join the JAK Board**

**Volunteer at JAK Events**

**Donate to School Supply Drive**

**Donate Used Printer Cartridges**

### 2013-2014 – Grants Awarded

**Math: Wrentz** - Cash Register for Math Skills

**Math: O'Donnell** - Math Summer Institute/Rice University

**CATE: Aston** - Marketing Dynamic Books

**CATE: Chadwick/Odom** - Shop Lights for Auto Tech

**CATE: Collins**- Loan for Registration Fee Criminal Justice Training

**CATE: Dick** - Equip./Supplies for Construction Trade Classes

**Physics: Ingle** - Vernier Software, and related equipment

**Physics: Chadwick** - Vernier Software, and related equipment

**Physics: Butler** - Vernier Software, and related equipment

**Physics: Holder**- Vernier Software, and related equipment

**Physics: Loftin**: Vernier Software, and related equipment

**Theater: Chuter** - Main Street Theater Field Trip-Special Needs

**AND: 19 KHS Teachers Received Commercial Grade Printer Grants**

### Making A Difference For Physics Classes

### Principles of JAK

**Learning**

**Giving**

**Learning To Give**



### Community Involvement

**Wood Recycle Project**  
**Lakeland Elementary Reading Program**  
**Gift of Shoes**  
**MADD Run Sponsor**

*You make a Living By What You Get  
You Make A Life By What You Give.  
Winston Churchill*

**Donations Are Tax Deductible**

*Raising children who care is  
one of the most important  
things we can do!*

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