

# INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT LEVERAGES YOUTH ENROLLMENT SYSTEM TO STREAMLINE GRANT FUNDING

"We didn't have an effective system for tracking student attendance and student participation in different activities that we held."



"Initially, we used YES to track student attendance then it expanded to include basically every other area of our organization to address other problems we were having."

**Dr. Kim Hawk,**Community Resource Coordinator



## Overview

The success of this independent school district in Waynesville, Missouri, is largely due to the hard work and leadership of its dedicated faculty and staff. With a shared vision to "Excel as a student-centered community of learners that embraces diversity and innovation," and core values of "continuous improvement and learning" they work to provide the best education environment possible every year.

In addition to its people, obtaining adequate federal grant funding is vital to its success. Furthermore, when applying for such funds, the ability to report consistent and accurate information for student attendance and participation is imperative.

After unsuccessful experiences with other systems they set out to find a fast, reliable, and accurate solution. They found this possible by taking advantage of the Youth Enrollment System.

"The Youth Enrollment System (YES) is a ground-breaking and innovative online membership management system. YES was developed to meet the need for a comprehensive membership records management and reporting system for non-profit organizations."



"To be able to give good and accurate numbers that grant funders think are real and they know they can count on your reporting to be true, I think that's kind of a priceless thing"

"Positive, fair, and innovative"

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## Challenge

Valuable staff time and energy was being ineffectively used to track, manage, and report tremendous amounts of data needed to request funding from grantors.

These methods were not effective or reliable and were extremely time consuming. A free member management system was available, but it just was not doing what they needed it to do.

### **Critical Factors**



Annually, Waynesville R-VI deals with \$2-4 mil in grant reporting for the whole district.



Previous methods wasting thousands of hours and resources.



More than 10,000 students rely on these programs every year.



Time saved could be used to serve students more effectively.

#### ·Results ·

- Accuracy & Efficiency In the past, staff had to double check data to ensure was fair and accurate. Now, reports that took weeks or months are completed in seconds. The system has made life easier by simplifying the way they find data so they can easily report for grants.
- Customizable & Responsive "What we really love about working with YES they create exactly what we want and build tailor made reports that are very responsive to our needs."
- Accountability Real-time data recording of reliable information on a secure database. Internal and external users have numbers they can utilize and consistently trust.