We believe students in southwest and west central Minnesota deserve innovative and learning-rich educational opportunities so they can be positioned to learn, grow and find success.

To that end, the SWWC Foundation enhances collaborative efforts to enrich innovative learning opportunities for E-12 students in the region.

The SWWC Foundation was incorporated in December 2017 as a 501c3 public charity and a 509a3 Type II supporting organization. SWWC and the SWWC Foundation exist in a brother/sister relationship. While the organizations are separate and governed by two separate boards of directors, the SWWC Foundation was organized exclusively for the benefit of SWWC Service Cooperative (similar to a hospital or university foundation).

At the end of 2020-21, $7,000 was given to the SWWC Student Enrichment Program to support the following REGIONAL ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES held during the school year:

• Conference for Young Artists
• Conference for Young Writers
• Science and Nature Conference
• Creative Writing Contest
• Culinary Skills Challenge
• Digital Photography Competition
• Knowledge Bowl
• Project Discovery
• Regional Spelling Bee

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all events during the 2020-21 school year were held virtually, with the exception of Author/Illustrator, Southwest Minnesota Career Expo and Camp Aspire, which were canceled.
SWWC’s student enrichment events are unique and not readily available in the traditional classroom setting. Students have the opportunity to further explore areas of interest in a hands-on fashion.

These events would not be possible without the support of SWWC and our partners. We invite you to partner with us and make an impact on the future leaders of our region.

**OUR 2020-21 PARTNERS** (JULY 1, 2020 - JUNE 30, 2021)

**Innovation Partners:** Gifts $5,000 - $9,000
- Monogram Loves Kids Foundation

**Passion Partners:** Gifts $2,500 - $4,999
- Schwan *
- Southwest Minnesota Arts Council *

**Creativity Partners:** Gifts $1,000 - $2,499
- Federated Rural Electric ~
- Great River Energy *
- Lincoln/Lyon Electric Trust *

**Imagination Partners:** Gifts $500 - $999
- Nobles-Murray Rural Electric Trust *

* denotes donors who supported student enrichment opportunities by giving directly to SWWC Service Cooperative.
~ denotes donation given during 2020-21 for programming in 2021-22.

**Opportunity Partners:** Gifts up to $499
- Sherry Brandt
- Rachel Cox Raverty
- Jan Fransen
- Scott Fuller
- Lisa Gregoire
- Luther Heller
- Tom & Cheryl Hoff
- Shelly Maes
- Josh Sumption

**Collaborative Partners:** In-Kind Contributions
- Marshall Radio
- Minnesota West Community & Technical College
- Southwest Minnesota State University

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