

"To promote, encourage, and recognize excellence in public education."

## **Mission Moment**

Please visit our website to see our new video, which introduces the mission of the Foundation in a concise 6 minute presentation. Thom is available to present the video to any clubs and community organizations as a way to raise the awareness of our mission. <u>www.efslc.org</u>

### **Coupons for Classroom**

Once again we will sell Coupons for Classroom books in our schools, starting in September. Books will be sold for \$25.00 each. The Campaign will begin September 8, 2016 and will last 4 weeks. Although last year this program raised over \$70,000 for our schools, this was down from \$85,000 the previous year. To make the program more attractive, each school now retains \$10 per book, up from \$8 and we have added more coupons from local businesses. We have also partnered with the St Lucie County Fair as our lead coupon page. Most of our students attend the County Fair and families can save money by buying the book.

We can also sell the books as a fundraiser for a school organization, please call Thom Jones or Claire Clark at 772 429-5505 for details before the school year starts so we can order books for you.

The Education Foundation will begin school visits starting in August. Prizes will be awarded to students.

#### **Rosie's Gourmet Kettle Corn**

We will also introduce a new fundraiser with Rosie's Gourmet Kettle Corn. This new program will run from the end of October 2016 into the middle of November 2016, just in time for Thanksgiving and the Holidays. Each bag sells for \$10, with \$2 credited toward each participating classroom "Adopt a Class" account. This is a fabulous way to benefit your own classroom. The more your class sells the more money your class will receive. Each student in every participating classroom will receive a free bag of kettle corn during our classroom visits in October. Prizes will be awarded to students for every 10 bags sold.

## **Some Items of Importance**

# What's Going On

Our new Teacher Orientation will be held August 3 & 4, 2016 / Civic Center in Port St. Lucie.

The Education Foundation will be giving away free 2015-2016 Coupon for Classroom books to all participants

### Teacher Grant Program is underway. Visit our website for application

Teacher Grants for the 2016- 2017 school year are now available. These are the State Matching Grant programs. Beat the rush and apply early! Please visit our website for more information or email <u>claire.clark@stlucieschools.org</u>



## WELCOME BACK CELEBRATION

Welcome Back Celebration. Friday, August 12, 2016

Rain or Shine !!

Sponsored by Midflorida Credit Union

Endless Summer Vineyard & Winery

4200 Johnston Road, Fort Pierce

5:30 рт - 8:30 рт

RSVP due by August 8, 2016

Log on to www.efslc.org

Free Admission for all school district employees, \$10 per guest. No children please. Cash Bar, free dinner. Drawings for \$1500 in Adopt-A-Class grants!

## **Upcoming Activities & Events**

August 3 & 4: New teacher orientation

Welcome Back Celebration on Friday August 12, 2016. See our website for details and RSVP

School reopens August 15, 2016

November 5, 2016 - Evening for Education Annual Gala, Pelican Yacht Club