

Take a seat!



Seating for parent-public performances at Sanford Middle School just got a whole lot easier, thanks to Legacy's gift of 200 new chairs.

Legacy funds chairs for public performances at Sanford Middle School

Sanford Middle School students were the shining stars of the annual Talent Show, but also key in a “supporting” role this year were the new chairs for an audience.

Those seats were the shiny, new black folding chairs recently funded by the Sanford Schools Legacy Foundation just in time for this traditional show of dance routines, guitar solos, ventriloquist demons, and more.

“Oh my gosh, the chairs were PERFECT!” said Tara Houle, JMG Master Specialist, who organized the Talent Show at Sanford Middle School. “The carts were easy for us to roll from storage to the cafe - easy to load and unload and saved us tons of time and heavy lifting. Thank you!”

That’s exactly why Sanford Middle School Principal Pamela Lydon requested the \$7,310 funding for 200 chairs from Warren’s Office Supply in Sanford. She said staff and volunteers there always had to beg, borrow



The new chairs made set-up and break-down of hundreds of audience chairs much easier on volunteers there.

What is Sanford Schools Legacy Foundation?

The Sanford Schools Legacy Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization specifically designed to receive funding from community donors to benefit all ages above and beyond the regular budget of the Sanford School Department; the nonprofit, in turn, funds “extras” for initiatives, such as folding chairs, that enhance educational opportunities here in Sanford. For information, visit sanfordschoolslegacyfoundation.org.

and steal whatever mismatched chairs they could find from the classrooms whenever they set up for community performances.

“The chairs were a great addition to this school function. They made set-up and take-down easy, maximizing time to be hands-on with the students,” said Lydon.

Everyone was so excited when they arrived, said Diana Allen, Sanford Middle School Life/Environmental Science teacher.

“Mr. Sanborn and I over the course of two days brought groups of homeroom students down to unpack the new chairs and place them on the racks.”

The new chairs are a standard size, making set-up more uniform, and they are lightweight yet sturdy. They all fit uniformly into new racks purchased as well.

“We are beyond grateful for this donation to SMS and look forward to the many school functions to come with the new chairs,” said Lydon. “Thank you, Legacy Foundation!”