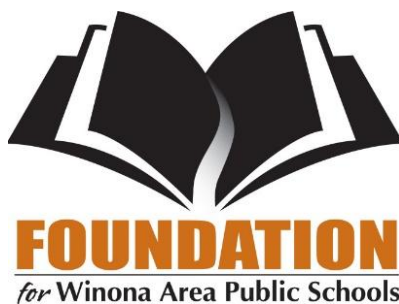


2026 Sponsorship Opportunity *Forging a Future*

WAPS Industrial Technology



Planning is underway for the 14th annual fundraising campaign organized by the Foundation for Winona Area Public Schools. With a goal of **raising \$100,000 for Industrial Technology** initiatives at WAPS, we invite you to **consider a sponsorship** to support our *Forging a Future* events.

Saturday, May 9, will bring TWO fundraising events in ONE day! The morning begins with our Donut Dash 4K Run/Walk & Mini Donut Kids Run at Winona Senior High School. That same evening, supporters will gather for our *Forging a Future* Dinner & Auction at Winona State University.

Our \$100,000 fundraising goal supports the WAPS Industrial Technology program, specifically in the areas of electronics, robotics, and manufacturing. Industrial Tech allows hands-on learning where students use tools, machinery, and computer systems to solve problems and build solutions. Through this, students gain and apply technical knowledge to real-world scenarios, *Forging a Future* for a variety of career paths.

Sponsor Benefit	\$6,000 Lead	\$3,000 Event	\$1,500 Corporate
Logo on all <i>Forging a Future</i> advertising	✓		
Donut Dash shirts	Logo printed	Name printed	
Recognition at Dinner & Auction	Logo displayed	Logo displayed	Name displayed
Dinner & Auction tickets	8 with guests at front table	6	4
Donut Dash registrations	4	2	2
Foundation for WAPS social media	Exclusive post	Mention & tag	Mention
Sponsor sign at Donut Dash	✓	✓	✓
Table/booth at Donut Dash	✓	✓	✓

We respectfully **request a sponsorship decision by Friday, November 28**. Please contact us with questions or to discuss alternative options for support. We'll graciously recognize all donations.

With gratitude,

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