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urday, May 28, at Henry Miller Park in Oak Creek. The event will feature vendors and students selling art, as well as hands-on art instructions, student art demonstrations, live student performance art, art raffle opportunities, food tents and more.

Proceeds from the event enhance the Oak Creek-Franklin School district's art programs. The 2019 event raised between \$10,000 and \$15,000, according to Oak Creek-Franklin Foundation for Education executive director Kim Janowski.

The Waukesha Education Foundation holds three annual events: the Evening for Education, a pie sale with pies baked by Mukwonago-based Elegant Farmer, and a golf outing.

During the initial months of the COVID pandemic, foundations had to cancel or adjust in-person fundraising events or host them virtually.

In 2020, the Elmbrook Education



An outdoor green space in the front of the building can be seen at North Division High School in Milwaukee. EBONY COX/MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL

Foundation made its traditionally in-person Ladies Night a virtual event. The foundation's executive director, Beth

Dobrzynski, called the event "very successful" and said it was watched by a large group online.

"That was something that we did that was very different. We had teacher participation, we had principals that did skits. It was just a really fun, hour activity. It was a good way just to get away," Dobrzynski said.

Dobrzynski said while the virtual event brought in about \$30,000, about 50% less than it usually raises, it also didn't have the expenses associated with the in-person event.

Which districts in the suburban Milwaukee area have foundations?

Most area public school districts have some sort of education foundation associated with them, including: Brown Deer, Cedarburg, Elmbrook, Fox Point-Bayside, Franklin, Germantown, Glendale-River Hills, Grafton, Greendale, Greenfield, Hamilton, Kettle Moraine, Lake Country, Maple Dale-Indian Hill, Menomonee Falls, Mequon-Thiensville, Milwaukee Public Schools, Mukwonago, Nicolet, Oak Creek-Franklin, Oconomowoc, Port Washington-Saukville, Shorewood, Swallow, Waukesha, Wauwatosa and Whitefish Bay.

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