



Shared Challenges, Shared Solutions

CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY: TOGETHER FOR GOOD

Finlandia University, the City of Hancock, and Hancock Public Schools have joined in an innovative collaboration called, "Campus and Community: Together for Good." We invite you to learn more about this initiative and its intended benefits.

Core Convictions

- Challenges for growth are shared by the City of Hancock, the Hancock Public Schools, and Finlandia University.
- Shared challenges, where resources are not in abundance, urge shared solutions.
- The best solutions are often found close to home.
- Exchanges and shared usage encourages better stewardship of limited resources.

Core Collaboration

A strategic and creative long-term exchange of resources: Finlandia University educational and recreational resources exchanged for two former Hancock School District properties: Condon Athletic Complex and the Hancock Middle School.

Background: The Properties

- Finlandia University's 2008-2013 strategic plan targets enrollment growth in its College of Health Sciences and NCAA Division III athletics programs. Finlandia requires buildings and properties to fuel and accommodate this growth. To acquire these assets, Finlandia began looking to its closest neighbor.
- Hancock Public Schools' strategic priorities invite similar collaboration to provide their own program enhancements and promote enrollment stability and a sustainable future. To achieve these goals, Hancock also began looking to its closest neighbor.
- The Hancock Middle School has been relocated to new construction at Hancock Central High School, leaving the historic middle school building unoccupied. Finlandia desires, in the near future, to renovate the middle school to house College of Health Sciences classrooms and labs.
- Condon Athletic Complex previously supported the athletic programs of the Hancock Bulldogs.
- Finlandia University has begun to develop a collegiate field complex at Condon Field capable of supporting the athletic programs of both the Finlandia Lions and the Hancock Bulldogs.

Programs Offered by Finlandia: A Broad Outline

1. The Hancock Award

- An initial 12-year tuition award program.
- Eligibility: Hancock Central High School graduates beginning with the Class of 2009.

Award Basics:

- Award recipients bear minimal tuition costs for up to four years.
- Costs not covered include deposit, matriculation, student-specific and program-specific fees.
- Finlandia retains state and federal grant funds generated from FAFSA applications.
- Recipients retain program-specific federal and state tuition grants and work-study monies.
- Annual award distribution is guided by Hancock Award demand and a budget commitment from Finlandia of \$100,000/year/cohort.
- Recipients must meet Finlandia general admission requirements. (Program-specific requirements may apply.)
- Individual Hancock Awards are renewed each semester as long as recipients remain in good standing.

2. Community Educational Services Provided by Finlandia Faculty and Staff

- Annual short-courses, workshops, class lectures, and other programming in Hancock elementary, middle, and high schools on topics of school interest.
- Annual lectures, short-courses, and workshops delivered to adult learners on topics of community interest and need.
- Finlandia Speaker's Bureau offering faculty and staff expertise and experience to Hancock organizations and agencies.

3. Valued Benefits and Shared Use

- Unique access and opportunity for public high school graduates to experience the value and benefits of a private education in the U.P.
- A public/private collaboration that positively builds on resource capacity in a rural context.
- The preservation and enhancement of the educational mission of the middle school.
- An annual calendar of no- or low-cost educational and recreational opportunities for residents of Hancock and neighboring communities.
- A collegiate field complex in Hancock that can better serve the recreational interests and needs of its residents and those of neighboring communities.
- Community use of middle school facilities for performing arts, cultural, and educational programming.
- Following planned renovation and expansion, community use of Paavo Nurmi Athletic Center for recreation and health and wellness programming.

The Campus and Community Joint Committee

The Joint Committee is responsible for preserving the spirit and initial commitments of this collaboration, the continual improvement of the Hancock Award, and the management of all attendant issues. The Joint Committee members are:

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