



Al Smith Fund for Education

The Al Smith Fund for Education supports the endowment of the Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence. The Prichard Committee – now in its 25th anniversary year – is an independent, statewide citizen’s organization that advocates for improved Kentucky schools.

Al Smith, a former newspaper reporter and editor who retired in 2007 after 33 years as host of KET’s “Comment on Kentucky,” has been a dedicated member of the Prichard Committee for over two decades. He has tirelessly promoted the Prichard Committee’s primary commitment to excellence in education for all of Kentucky’s children.

This is why the Prichard Committee is proud to name its 25th anniversary endowment campaign in his honor.

Over the last three years, the Prichard Committee has embarked on a campaign to build a durable base of support throughout the state to sustain its nonpartisan advocacy for improved Kentucky schools. To date, we have commitments of \$3.4 million toward the \$6 million goal.

With over half that seed money now in hand, the Committee is inviting all who want to continue the vital work of improving education in the Commonwealth to join in our campaign. We know that informed and engaged citizens are the ones who will ultimately prevail in making academic excellence a reality in Kentucky — no matter who is holding elected office or how tight the economy becomes.

All proceeds from the Al Smith Fund for Education will support the work of the Prichard Committee in its campaign to boost Kentucky schools into the top tier of student achievement nationwide.

Following are the designated Giving Circles of the Al Smith Fund for Education. All gifts are greatly appreciated. Contributors will receive circle-level recognition in all Prichard Committee publications and invitations to special events in honor of our 25th year.

Giving Circles

Platinum

\$100,000 plus

Gold

\$25,000 to \$99,999

Silver

\$10,000 to \$24,999

Bronze

\$1000 to \$9,999