



Board of Education Meeting
Wednesday, October 21, 2026

Consent Agenda Item II-D: Acceptance of Grant Awards and Donations

Presented by: Superintendent Laurie Putnam

Administration Recommendation:

The Administration recommends acceptance of the following grant awards and donations:

1. Donations to Apollo High School:
 - \$2,000 from James and Kathleen Parsons on behalf of the Emmett and Agnes Thomas Memorial Scholarship
 - \$1,500 from the Kimberly Ann Ritsche Memorial Fund of Central MN Community Foundation on behalf of the Kimberly Ann Ritsche Memorial Scholarship
 - School supplies including notebooks, folders, colored pencils, pens, erasers, index cards, and other supplies including Kleenex, Clorox wipes, hand sanitizer, headphones, and personal hygiene products from Knights of Columbus 5548 Auxiliary for students' needs
 - \$1,600 from Kopp Family Foundation for Random Acts of Kindness
2. Donations to Katherine Johnson Education Center:
 - \$5,000 from St. Cloud Area Golden Gloves Boxing Inc. for the In-Step Kitchen Remodel
 - \$10,000 from Thomas A. Ritsche Fund for Youth of the Central MN Community Foundation for the Rebalance Program with Youth for Christ
3. Donations to Kennedy Community School:
 - \$218 from St. Cloud HRA for student supplies
 - \$100 from St. Joseph Women of Today for student supplies
4. Donation to Madison Elementary School:
 - \$970.30 from Atonement Lutheran Church for field trips and enrichment opportunities
5. Donations to McKinley-ALC:
 - 25 (\$5 gift cards) from Coborn's for student rewards
 - Boxes of produce from Mi Casa in Shakopee to support McKinley families in need

6. Donations to North Junior High School:
 - \$970.31 from Atonement Lutheran Church for student needs and instructional supplies
 - \$1,500 from Kopp Family Foundation for Random Acts of Kindness
7. Donations to Talahi Community School:
 - \$3,248.37 from Thomas and Janet Grones for Talahi Yearbooks
 - \$115.00 from D&J Duggan for teacher classroom supplies
8. Donation to Ready Set School Program:
 - \$60.00 from United Way of Central MN
9. Donation to District 742:
 - Subway lunch provided by Horace Mann (The Bauer Group) for New Teacher Academy on August 18, 2026