

Livonia Public Schools

Office of Communications

To: Dr. Randy Liepa, Superintendent
From: Donna McDowell, Administrator of Communications
Date: January 26, 2011
Subject: LCTC Donation from Grainger Corporation

The Livonia Career Technical Center has received a very generous donation of \$10,000 from Grainger Corporation to purchase laptop computers.


I am requesting this gift be placed on the agenda of the May 2, 2011, Committee of the Whole Meeting for consideration at the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Meeting of May 16, 2011. Thank you.

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Livonia Career/Technical Center

TO: Rod Hosman and Donna McDowell
FROM: Janet Haas 
DATE: March 24, 2011
SUBJECT: Donation from Grainger

I would like to place, on an upcoming Board of Education meeting, a \$10,000 donation from Grainger Corp. to the Livonia Career Technical Center for the purchase of laptop computers.

As a leading distributor of industrial supplies, Grainger is committed to helping stem the growing shortage of skilled workers while supporting the increasing technical demands of today's manufacturing workplace. The pool of tradesmen entering construction, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning repair, welding and other skilled labor-oriented industries is dwindling; causing a shortfall in the labor market that will reach epidemic proportions as the baby boomers retire. According to a National Association of Manufacturers report, 80 percent of manufacturers are struggling to serve customers because they do not have enough qualified workers.

Their customers rely on tradesmen and women to keep their businesses afloat, and they in turn rely on those businesses to keep the infrastructure sound and local economies healthy and viable. For that reason, since 2006, Grainger has contributed more than \$600,000 in support of technical education in the form of scholarships, classroom equipment, supplies and funding for technical program start-ups.

The Livonia Career Technical Center is proud to be considered for this donation. Mr. David Harper, from the Grainger Corp., has provided the necessary support in order to receive this generous donation.