

**Recognition  
Board of Trustee Meeting  
October 12, 2021**

**Community Spotlight**

Each year the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) honors businesses and organizations for their support and exceptional advocacy of local schools. This state-wide honor, as part of “Stand Up for Texas Public Schools,” recognizes local businesses and community organizations who partner with districts, making a difference in the lives of local public-school students.

Our partnership with First Denton has been one of longtime support and philanthropy. This past year they stepped in during our campus closure in many ways, seen and behind the scenes.

First, they are prominent partners adopting Newton Rayzor Elementary and Alexander Elementary providing direct support to our teachers and staff. Often their volunteers are on campus doing the “extras” for our students, and honoring our teachers on special occasions and sometimes even on regular days.

Recently, they served students by staffing some of the district’s “Table to Trunk” meal pick-up locations. Not only did they sponsor a back-to-school supply drive for students, but the First Denton facility was used to store and sort supplies so items could easily be delivered to campuses throughout the district.

This school year, First Denton was the signature sponsor of the district’s New Employee Reception, where we were able to welcome 650 new staff members and raise \$10,000 for new employee classroom grants.

In addition to directly supporting our students and staff, First Denton prides itself on serving our schools and community. As an Adopt-A-School partner, the team from First Denton has been involved due to their belief in public education and commitment to providing access and opportunities for all.

*Jeff Williams and other representatives will be on hand to accept this award.*