

**Denton Independent School District
Board of Trustees
Certificates of Recognition
Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2007**

Foundation awards grants, scholarships

More than \$65,000 in grants and scholarships has been awarded to Denton Independent School District staff members by the Denton Public School Foundation in partnership with the local district.

The funds are being utilized to enhance classroom instruction and for staff development, school officials said.

A total of \$65,500 was awarded to staff members - \$50,000 in grants to teachers and \$15,500 in scholarships for staff development, additional degrees or to attend conferences and seminars, said Vicki Sargent, executive director for Denton Public School Foundation. The recipients will be honored at 6 p.m. at the Jan. 9th meeting of the Denton ISD Board of Trustees at the Central Services Building, 1307 North Locust.

Teachers received grants and scholarships ranging from \$100 to \$1,000, which includes funding for a variety of programs and projects.

Grants to teachers, staff

The staff members who are recipients of the grants to teachers include:

Ann Windle for Young Children - Cathy Gaskin, \$1,000 grant from VLK and DPSF for "Child/Parent Relationship Training Pilot Project;" Sally Brown \$967 grant from Charter Builders and DPSF for "Butterfly Garden: Science and Literacy Extension;" Delaney Gregory \$171 grant from DPSF for "What Goes Around, Comes Around: Recycling Education"

Borman Elementary - Collin Jones and Vicki Bills, \$1,000 grant from Kristoferson Family and DPSF for "Pass Port: Climbing the Andes"

Evers Park Elementary - Stephanie Bybee and Lindsay McGuire, \$943 from Cheryl Phillips and DPSF for "Read Around the Classroom;" Barbara Ganzer, \$960 grant from DPSF for "Ready to Read: Doors to Discovery"

Ginnings Elementary - Lisa Hawkins, \$585 grant from SHW and DPSF for "Lights, Literacy, Learning!;" Ginny Logan, \$628 grant from Groundhog Gala and DPSF for "Little Red Tool Box;" Mary Vallelian, \$500 from Robert Colon McSween Memorial Endowment for "Here we Grow;" Kelli Whisenhunt, \$328 from Springbok Academy and DPSF for "Project 3m: Mysterious Math Minds"

Hodge Elementary - Stacy Sturgell, \$1,000 from DPSF for "Smart Boards for Smart Kids"

Houston - Joey Beauchamp, \$840 from Presbyterian Hospital of Denton and DPSF for "High Touch-High Tech: In-School Field Trip;" Faucine Stubblefield, \$1,000 from DPSF for "Elmo Goes to School;" Teresa Andress, \$1,000 from DPSF for "GUYS and GALS After School Science Club;" Julieanne Spoor and Tessa Baker, \$650 from DPSF for "The Parent Project;" Svitland Pantsyr, \$873 from DPSF for "Multimedia in the Classroom;" Connie Miller, \$800 from DPSF for "High Touch-High Tech: In-School

Field Trip;" Karen Carlton, \$500 for First State Bank Endowment - Elementary Teacher of the Year Award

Lee Elementary - Teresa Loya, \$882 from Charter Builders and DPSF for "Readers'/Writers' Workshop"

McNair Elementary - Tina Newberry, \$1,000 from Groundhog Gala and DPSF for "Books to Remember"

Pecan Creek Elementary - Robin Zaruba, \$995 from Bill Utter and DPSF for "High Tech Treasure Hunting;" Rebekah Perrone, \$652 from VLK and DPSF for "What do you mean you can't drive to Hawaii?!;" Lisa Mims, \$960 from VLK and DPSF for "Phonology to Early Literacy;" Denise Evans, \$824 from DPSF for "Language Builds Literacy;" Billie Lowrie, \$1,000 from DPSF for "Going, Growing, Knowing"

Providence Elementary - Kyle Wilbert, \$1,000 from Charter Builders and DPSF for "Environmental Butterfly Garden Learning Center"

EP Rayzor Elementary - Debbie Parrish, \$500 grant from Doug Key Memorial for "Pass Earth Science: Landforms"

Rivera - Lori Cadwallader, \$1,000 from Devon Energy and DPSF for "Discovering Our World in Two Languages"

Ryan Elementary - Robyn Mullendore, \$150 from DPSF for "Party of 12, Please;" Robin Higgs, \$265 from DPSF for "Oral Language for All;" Marti Couch, \$1,000 from DPSF for "3T Afterschool Math Camp"

Wilson Elementary - Patti Faught, \$500 from Springbok Academy and DPSF for "Picture This!;" Amanda Nabors, \$500 from Wimberley-Shelton Grant-to-Teachers for "Measure Works Curriculum;" Jessica Berridge and Felicita Aloyo, \$1,000 from CoServ and DPSF for "Building on Closing the Gap;" Deborah Moseley, \$585 from DPSF for "A Room with a View;" Cecile Johnson, \$600 from DPSF for "Yo Vivo Cantando: Music and Text Literacy;" Varina Lavelle, \$917 from DPSF for "Connecting Life with Literacy"

Calhoun Middle - Joan Slavens and Colleen Graves, \$625 grant from Macy's and DPSF for "Leveled Nonfiction Literature Circles"

Crownover Middle - Julie Holland, \$298 grant from DPSF for "Math Acceleration Program Using a Web-Based Program;" Donna Johnson, Jonita Widmer and Julie Holland, \$1,000 grant from DPSF for "Building Bridges to Where Math Meets Fun"

McMath Middle - Teresa Hooper, \$1,000 from Ben E. Keith and DPSF for "An Integrated Approach to Learning;" Gail Frisby, \$1,000 from LaGrone Family and DPSF for "Eighth Grade Holocaust Field Trip;" Robin Mayes, \$690 from DPSF for "Multimedia Project;" Terry Ashby, \$1,000 from DPSF for "Native American Drum and Dance Exhibition;" Mary Schlesinger, \$1,000 from DPSF for "The Outsiders in the Classroom"

Navo Middle - Robin Mayes, \$200 from DPSF for "Work Table Project;" Janet Cephas, \$1,000 from Charter Builders and DPSF for "Just in! Breaking News!"

Strickland - Dianna Krueger, \$817 from TDIndustries and DPSF for "Leveled Library;" Susan Garrett, \$411 from Margaret Clarke Memorial for "Improving Language Comprehension through Concept Imagery"

Denton High - Frances Dornan, \$751 grant from LaGrone Memorial and DPSF for "Mathematical Literacy Literally;" Elena Inselmann and Frances Dornan, \$974

grant from DATCU and DPSF for “Hands-on/Cell phones off;” Shandi Davis, \$812 grant from DPSF for “Projecting Instructional Enrichment;” Kala Hall, \$1,000 grant from Jostens Student Center and Jostens Inc. for “Free Reading Library;” Donald Place, \$844 from DPSF for “Integrating Skills in AP Spanish”

Guyer High - Donna Juren, \$1,000 from Guyer Family and DPSF for “6th Floor Museum Field Trip” and \$500 from Ronny Crownover Memorial Endowment - Secondary Teacher of the Year Award

Ryan High - Cheryl Ellis, \$4,000 from DPSF for “PALS - Peer Assistance, Leadership, Service;” Debra Kelly, \$812 from Dain-Rauscher and DPSF for “Can you see me now?;” Nicole May, \$994 from DPSF for TPRS Materials

Special Education Services: - Linda Hilgenbrinck, \$989 from Groundhog Gala and DPSF for “Learn to Fish for Life”

Scholarships to teachers, staff

Staff members who received scholarships for staff development, additional degrees or to attend conferences and seminars included:

Ann Windle School for Young Children - Vilma Ariza, \$1,383 scholarship from Ann Windle Endowment and DPSF; Jennifer Engelbrecht, \$925 scholarship from Ann Windle Endowment and DPSF

Borman Elementary - Nardeen Boxwell, \$950 scholarship from DPSF

Hawk Elementary - Marti Blair, \$500 scholarship from DPSF; Belinda Campbell, \$1,000 scholarship from DPSF

Lee Elementary - Robin Brownell, \$1,000 scholarship from DPSF

Pecan Creek Elementary - Rebekah Bullard, \$300 scholarship from Gregory Family Teacher Scholarship; Erin Vennell, \$300 scholarship from DPSF

Newton Rayzor Elementary - Sheri Broughton, \$1,000 scholarship from DPSF

Savannah Elementary - Bonnie Bynum, \$1,000 scholarship from DPSF

Crownover Middle School - Jennifer Widmer, \$1,000 scholarship from Charter Builders and DPSF

Navo Middle School - Alicia Evans, \$1,000 scholarship from Mike Gregory Teacher Scholarship

Denton High School - Frances Dornan, \$700 scholarship from Gregory Family Teacher Scholarship

Guyer High School - Andrea Dawson, \$1,000 scholarship from DPSF; Audrey Peterson, \$815 scholarship from DPSF

Student Support Services - Sandra Golden, \$500 scholarship from ATPE Staff Scholarship

Technology - Andrew Collins, \$1,000 scholarship from iteAChtexas Scholarship and DPSF; Roy Verges, \$1,000 from DPSF