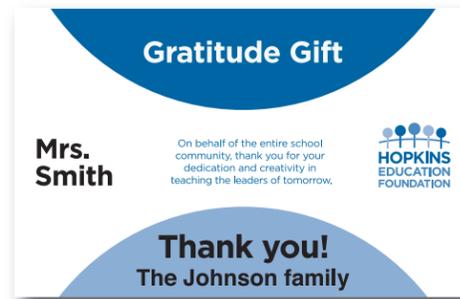


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INVESTING IN OUR CHILDREN, INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

GRANTS CATAPULT JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCIENCE LABS INTO THE 21ST CENTURY

Remember the hours you spent in science class slowly and inaccurately measuring data and then hand graphing your lab results? So does science teacher Tim Nefzger.

That's why Tim led a planning and proposal-writing team on behalf of both junior highs and the high school. By approaching H.E.F. with one visionary proposal that combined a special Royal Bash appeal with a subsequent spring grant, the District's secondary science teachers have made it possible for all future Hopkins students to reap the benefits.

Now, new hand-held LabQuests—purchased as part of these grants—allow students to measure and analyze, on-the-spot, their science experiments. For our computer-savvy and technology-hungry kids, LabQuests catapult dusty academic principles of speed and gravity into the much cooler realm of real science in real time.

Students use these rubber-gripped, "built-to-survive-middle-schoolers" touch-screen devices as computer interfaces or as stand-alone tools. Students can quickly and accurately graph, save and analyze data points, collected with Labquest's sonic, ph, motion-detecting and stainless steel temperature probes. Four data ports in each Labquest allow teachers to monitor multiple students' data at the same time. For the student who measures and analyzes her own jumps and landings on a dual-range force sensor, Newton's laws will be hard to forget.

Students will use these handheld devices with increasing sophistication. "These grants are going to pay huge dividends," says Tim.



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Mark your calendars for the Royal Bash, H.E.F.'s largest fundraiser. Last year's event sold out and raised over \$100,000 to fund grants that make a difference in Hopkins schools.

Attendees will enjoy dinner, exciting live and silent auctions, dancing, and a great opportunity to mingle with other district parents.

Everyone can participate in our new Online Auction along with our popular Raffle even if you cannot attend the Royal Bash.

If you are not already on our e-list, please send us your email address to receive all the e-previews of great auction items and a link for early registration. Email us at HEF@HopkinsSchools.org.

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

H.E.F. had another exciting and successful year in 2009–10.

Thanks to our donors' generosity, we were able to award 17 grants totaling \$127,000. These grants affected all elementary schools, both junior highs, and the high school. In addition, we awarded our first "green grant" for a multi-disciplinary learning program with solar panels.

For our 15th anniversary, we've rebranded the Foundation with a new contemporary logo. We've updated many of our communications and are looking forward to finishing this project with the launch of our new website. We are grateful to KNOCK, Inc. for donating the extensive design time to make this a reality.

Our community enthusiastically supported the changes to our primary fundraising event. Over 500 guests attended our sold-out Royal Bash in the new Minnetonka location.

We increased our volunteer board from 15 to 23 members. Board members represent all of our schools and provide numerous assets to our Foundation.

As we look to next year, we are excited to fund grants for many new ideas that make a difference for our Hopkins students. To provide these grants, we rely on your generosity and support to our Annual Fund Campaign drive and events such as our Royal Bash. Our volunteers are hard at work on planning another successful Royal Bash with a new on-line auction and other elements that are sure to make Royal Bash 2011 an event to remember!

On behalf of our Board of Directors, I would like to thank all of our stakeholders—parents, volunteers, teachers, district staff, and local businesses—for helping us ensure that every Hopkins student has an extraordinary educational experience. Thank you for your support!



Danny Kaplan
H.E.F. President



2009 – 2010 GRANTS

H.E.F. PROVIDES ANNUAL GRANTS TO THE HOPKINS SCHOOL DISTRICT

With the help of many dedicated volunteers, sponsors and individual donors, we awarded over \$127,000 to Hopkins schools. These grants reflect the diverse needs of the district. They will benefit over 1,200 students this year and pilot many programs that will ultimately affect an even larger population within the schools.



SPRING 2010

DISTRICT PRESCHOOL PILOT PROJECT Alice Smith – Diane Schimelpfenig

Early intervention has been proven to help children overcome achievement gaps that are evident in young learners. H.E.F. is funding a portion of the start up costs for a pilot project that helps these preschoolers get "ready to learn" at Alice Smith.

CLASSROOM iPad PILOT PROJECT Meadowbrook - Lesley Hendrickson

With 30 new iPads and training for teachers, Meadowbrook is testing a new computing model. The iPads provide opportunities to select and download educational "apps" and eBooks.

READING MATTERS Alice Smith – Jody DeSt.Hubert

To promote reading and develop confidence in reading skills during the summer months, 1st and 2nd grade students are given books matched to their reading level.

TEACHERMATE HANDHELD COMPUTER SYSTEM, Alice Smith – Doreen Carlson

The TeacherMate program is an integrated learning system specifically designed to meet the needs of K-2 students. Programmed to adapt to Hopkins core math and reading curriculum, this system effectively delivers differentiated instruction for all levels of learners with intriguing learning activities.

We are very appreciative of our hard working volunteers and generous donors. Please refer to our website for a complete list of names for 2009-2010. We are also very grateful for the efforts of Susan Bass Roberts, our former Executive Director, in making the year so successful.

STAND UP FOR LEARNING Meadowbrook – Greta Evans-Becker

Stand-Up desks allow students an ergonomically sound way to stand up, sit down, stretch, fidget and even move about—all while staying alert and focused on classroom instruction.

TEACHING SCIENCE WITH TECHNOLOGY, WJH, NJH, HHS – Timothy Nefzger

Teaching science with technology focuses on measuring and analyzing lab results for learning. Students will use technology to make the connection between reactions in the lab and underlying principles.

ENVIRONMENTAL CURRICULUM AND SOLAR PANELS, HHS – Dustin Kloempken

Students learn about the uses and applications of solar (PV) panels by taking an active approach to learning. They interact with on-site solar panels as part of the environmental education. This gives them a better understanding of how multi-disciplinary issues interact with each other and leads to improved decision-making skills.

REAL WORLD SCIENTISTS NJH, WJH – Royal Bash Special Appeal

Read more about these grants in our front-page article!

FALL 2009 SMALL GRANTS

TRIUMPHS IN READING Alice Smith Elementary, Kathy Toenjes

This series of reading intervention books helps special education teachers effectively and efficiently teach a reader decoding, encoding, vocabulary and comprehension skills that support one another and align with Wilson reading skills.

KINDERGARTEN ELL LITERACY PACK Eisenhower Elementary, Leslie Olmen & Linnea Carlson

Using Leapfrog Fridge Phonics magnetic sets, DVD's, card games and writing practice workbooks, pre-kindergarten English language learners build their basic literacy skills at home with their families in order to better prepare them for kindergarten reading instruction.

HOME CONNECTION LITERACY BAGS Glen Lake Elementary, Anne Kuffel

The Literacy Bags program for first graders offers great opportunities for students and their families to work together with activity packs. The activities also promote higher order thinking skills and have a writing component.

ACTIVE LEARNING FOR THE CLASSROOM Meadowbrook Elementary, Greta Evans-Becker

Using stability balls, this pilot program helps teachers evaluate how to focus students' attention and learning in new ways along with integrating opportunities for physical activity beyond the gym class.



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Look for Your Royal Bash Invitation
in the Mail: Early January

Raffle ticket sales begin: Early January

Online Auction Bidding: February 14 – 24

Royal Bash: February 26

Spring Grant Requests Due: April 6



MOVEMENT ENHANCED LEARNING Tanglen and Gatewood Elementary, Mary LaBelle & Sarah Ham

This action research project will evaluate the impact on learning with stand up desks, stability balls and traditional seating. Teachers will monitor student engagement, focus and behavior with each type of classroom environment. A student survey is part of this research project.

ONE-TO-ONE MOBILE LEARNING WITH APPLE IPODS North Junior High, David Freeburg

Learning extends beyond the social studies classroom with Apple iPod Touches. This one-to-one mobile learning dramatically increases creativity, comprehension and collaboration within the classroom setting.

WELLNESS GOALS LAB West Junior High, Danielle Bogucki

This pilot program explores the benefits of exercise before tackling rigorous academic subjects. Students will exercise aerobically for 25-30 minutes prior to focused academic work. Teachers will monitor homework completion and accuracy, attendance and behavior incidences before and after initiation of the program for each student.

AUDITORIUM WIRELESS SOUND SYSTEM UPGRADE Hopkins High School, Mark Hauck

New and re-positioned sound equipment now allows the wireless sound system to be properly balanced during performances. Additionally, more antennas and microphones allow large group performances to take full advantage of the auditorium.

