



History of Accomplishments



The Plano ISD Education Foundation was organized in 1993 to help Plano schools maintain the highest standards of academic excellence. In early years, the Foundation served as a community advisory board to the school district's leadership. The *Grants to Educators* program was created to reach out and support the needs of classroom teachers. Additional privately-funded programs followed. Today, fifteen years later, the Plano ISD Education Foundation is guided by a board of thirty-two directors, raising more than \$1 million annually to help Plano schools remain the best in the nation. Donations to the Plano ISD Education Foundation stay in Plano ISD and address priority programs identified by the school district for which tax dollars are not available.

Since 2000, almost \$4 million has been gifted to academic programs and services benefiting Plano ISD that:

- Close achievement gaps of at-risk students and ensure all graduates are college-ready;
- Recruit, train, retain and recognize the very best teachers;
- Assist economically disadvantaged students and families in support of student learning;
- Expand communication between schools and community;
- Aid Plano ISD employees with emergency grants for short term, personal crises; and
- Enhance classroom instruction through innovative instructional projects.

2007-2008 Honors and Accomplishments include:

The Plano ISD Education Foundation proudly received the *Lexus Pursuit of Potential* national award honoring the *Grants to Educators* program for support of the needs of area children and schools. Nominated by Park Place Lexus Plano, the award was accompanied by a \$10,000 grant to the Foundation for the project.

In February, 2008 more than 3,300 Plano ISD employees donated a total of \$115,936 to the Plano ISD Education Foundation through the district's annual employee fundraising drive, validating the importance of Foundation-sponsored programs to Plano ISD educators. This was the highest cumulative gift from Plano ISD employees on record, representing one-tenth of the Foundation's \$1.1 million fundraising goal.

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