THOMPSON EDUCATION FOUNDATION
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Kim Akeley-Charron
October 13, 2026

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1. The district has a new middle school coordinator for McKinney Vento students which has allowed us to implement resource closets in our middle/K8 schools through the Resiliency Fund. The middle school closet supplies are a little different – they have the hygiene items, clean underwear/socks but not the cleaning products and other independent living products we keep the high school closets stocked with. A big request was SNACKS for during the school day so the middle school closets will be well stocked with options.

2. Eowyn and I have responded to all the report & information requests from the CPAs assigned to our audit and are waiting for next steps and the final report. I want to elevate the help and support we received from TSD's CPAs in completing this work.

3. Endowment proceeds from the Lu Haskew Arts Endowment and the Instrumental Music Repair Endowment are paid out in the fall each even year. The funds are split evenly across the district. We sent $780.97 to each secondary school for musical instrument repair and $192.28 to each K-12 school for art purchases. Please see below for some staff responses.

4. The Great Idea grant window closed on October 1. We received 27 grant applications this year. The grants are being evaluated by TSD risk management and will go to the community committee for the initial review on October 14. Reminder that the highest scoring grants will be sent to you for final review on Tuesday, November 3 and the board will choose the recipients at our board meeting on November 17.

5. Word of thanks from schools for Arts & Musical Instrument Repair Funds

   <u>Music</u>

   This is incredibly generous! Thank you so much!!
   This is great news. Thank you so much. I will let our music teachers know it is available.
   Thank you!
   Thank you for the information! We're grateful for the funds!
   Thank you!!! This is very generous and appreciated!
   This is wonderful! Thank you so much.

   <u>Art</u>

   This is awesome. Thank you so much
   Thank you! (2 schools)
   Amazing!!! Thank you!!!
   Thank you! This is a great gift and is appreciated!
   Thank you, Kim! I received the check and will make sure our teachers use it!
   AMAZING!!! Thank you so very much!!!

6. Words of thanks from schools for the boxes of tissues delivered this month.
   This is wonderful news! Thank you for such a generous gift!
   Thank you so much!

7. Words of thanks for the Scheer Fund:

Marching Band Fees

Dear Ms. Akeley-Charron and the Thompson Education Fund, I'm writing to thank you for the generous $300 scholarship from the Stan Scheer Opportunity Fund. I am really enjoying marching band this year and this scholarship is a huge help. It will allow me to focus on my performance and have a great season ahead. Thank you so much for your support!

I'm really enjoying participating in the marching band this year, and this scholarship will help me to focus on my performance. Thank you

I just wanted to reach out and express my gratitude for accepting D into this program. D enjoys marching band so much and we have watched him come out of his shell and be a new bright kid this school year. Because of marching band, he has stepped out of his comfort zone to make new friends, and it has taught him some good discipline.

Cheerleading Fees (from a counselor)

Oh that is amazing! I love the Stan Sheer Fund, what an amazing resource that our kids have.
We appreciate everything that you do for kids

FBLA Dues & Fall Conference Fees (from the teacher)

Thank you so much for lifting this burden from the students!