

THOMPSON EDUCATION FOUNDATION
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Kim Akeley-Charron
August 19, 2025

1. We received a new and additional gift of \$20,000 from Nancy Popenhagen to help establish the new EMT pathway. The gift will be used to pay for certifications for this first year cohort and other classroom needs as requested by the teacher.
2. I was invited to and presented about TEF and our educator focused programs at New Teacher Orientation on August 4.
3. I attended a Nonprofit AI Jam in July put on by Open AI. I learned many tips on writing effective prompts and have been using the interface to help with some TEF projects this summer.
4. The TEF Colorado Avalanche games are set for the 25-26 season. Our primary game will be Friday, January 23 and Tuesday, November 11 will be the secondary option. We typically raise between \$600 and \$1200 (varies greatly by year) from this partnership.
5. We signed our first new scholarship for the 2026 year. The Greg A. Finley Memorial Scholarship has been added to our roster of opportunities and opened with a balance of \$2000.
6. I will be out of the office on vacation August 27-29 and the TEF offices will be closed for Labor Day on September 1.