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Foundation gives \$41,400 for Smart Boards® and spring grants

The District 57 Education Foundation has contributed \$36,000 for the purchase of Smart Boards® and Elmo Visual Presenters. In addition, the Foundation funded \$5,400 in teacher grants for the spring cycle.

With the purchase of the Smart Boards® and visual presenters, the Foundation is fulfilling its goal of bringing 21st-Century technology to District 57 students.

About a dozen classrooms throughout the district already have Smart Boards®, interactive white boards that combine the traditional idea of a blackboard with a computer. Now these innovative learning tools, which have received rave reviews from students and teachers, will reach even more classrooms. The visual presenters, which will be used at Lincoln, allow students to show written material instantly, so others can see it and critique it. This eliminates the need for overheads and copies.

In addition, approved grants include: instrument repair for the Lincoln music program; cooking demos by Dave's Specialty Foods for Lincoln Home Ec classes; psychology books for Lincoln's school psychologist; an interactive Smart Board® add-on for Fairview; a Storyworks subscription for Lions Park; Green Team shirts for Lions Park; and big books, masks, flannel board sets and a collection of non-fiction books for the Westbrook LRC.

SAVE THE DATE! Exciting changes coming to Foundation events next school year

Summer is here, and next school year seems miles away. But we all know these warm and sunny months tend to fly by in a blur, as we rush to make the most of them. Before you know it, the 2009-2010 school year will be upon us. And that means another year of fun events brought to you by the District 57 Education Foundation!

Please start making plans now to be part of the Foundation's annual golf outing and spring gala. Some interesting changes are underway. You won't want to miss out on the excitement!

The golf outing and back-to-school dinner will take place Friday, Sept. 25, at Old Orchard Country Club (700 W. Rand Rd. in Mt. Prospect). The tournament will be an 18-hole scramble, shotgun start and

include several contests, a box lunch and much more. All of the details and registration will be available soon on the Education Foundation Web site: www.57edfoundation.org/2009Golf.

The Foundation will build on the tremendous success of this year's spring event, with "Lights, Camera, Auction," to be held Saturday, Feb. 27, 2010, at The Meadows Club (2950 W. Golf Rd. in Rolling Meadows). Planning is already underway, to ensure that every detail meets – and even exceeds – expectations for this popular gala.

The money raised at the golf outing and spring gala directly benefits all students of District 57, so please support these events during the 2009-2010 school year!

Thanks to generous supporters, Foundation donates more than \$55,000 to the schools this year

What a year! The Education Foundation has funded more than \$55,000 in Smart Boards® and teacher grants this school year. The Foundation wishes to thank all of the district families and community members who have made a contribution, attended an event, volunteered time or offered their support in any way.

The Foundation cannot function without its dedicated supporters. You play a big role in making our schools the successful and award-winning learning environments that help our kids shine. So on behalf of the students, we thank you! And we wish you a safe and happy summer!

The Foundation funded the obstacle course for Field Day at Westbrook. The Foundation thanks the Fairview and Lions Park PTAs for generously covering the costs of these attractions at their schools! Thanks also to Lincoln for funding its own course this year!

Thank you, Bosch Tools,
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2008/2009 school year!