



Book Vending Machine Encourages Positive Behaviors and Reading

"I get to keep this book all for me?!?" exclaims a 2nd grade student clutching a brand-new copy of *Unicorn Diaries*. Other students stare in amazement and anticipation to have their turn to use their golden token in the new vending machine. However, this is no ordinary vending machine. This machine vends food for the brain – BOOKS!

Thirteen students were present for the inaugural Book Worm Vending Machine ceremony where their positive behavior was recognized with the gift of literature. Principal Tammy Peterson wanted to link social responsibility with engagement in reading. Lincoln students can earn positive behavior slips for making safe, responsible, and respectful choices.

When students receive the slips, they bring them to the library to receive their golden token to get a book from the vending machine. Then, the students head to the office where they will call home with Mrs. Peterson to share their success.

Developing literacy skills at an early age has a positive impact on the academic and social success of students. The Foundation is proud to support literacy in our schools and help create literacy connections between school and home.



DPS Marketing Director, Marisa Riesinger, helps two Lincoln students choose books from the Book Worm Vending Machine. The vending machine was purchased through funds from the Annual Teacher Grant Program.

Mission Statement

"Providing private, financial support to enrich the quality of education in the Dickinson Public Schools."

GIVING TUESDAY

Unleash
Generosity.

November 30, 2021

Every act of generosity counts and everyone has something to give.

\$579,643.00

invested in our grant program, sponsorships and scholarships that benefit Dickinson Public School students.

2022 Mystery Dinner Theater Scheduled Feb. 10, 11 & 12, 2022

This year's mystery dinner theater will be held Feb. 10-12 at the Roosevelt Grand Dakota Hotel. The name of the play is "Murder in Space."

Thank you for helping us invest in Dickinson Public Schools students for the past 30+ years!



\$515,093 in Grants



\$27,550 in Sponsorships



\$37,000 in Scholarships

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Tri Energy Cooperative (Cenex) Gallons of Gratitude

Thank you to our most recent program partner Tri Energy Cooperative (Cenex) for their \$47,000 donation. With this donation, every DPS teacher will receive \$140 to assist them in enhancing the learning within their classrooms. The Berg kindergarten classroom bought Barbies and dinosaurs. The Dickinson Public Schools Foundation is humbled by the support from our community to assist our educators.

Community Partners Help with Home Internet Fund

Local community partners donated \$26,000 to be used for home internet for low-income families last year. Dickinson Eagles Club donated \$4,000, American Foundation for Wildlife/Southside Saloon donated \$6,000, and a group of Dickinson Public Schools supporters donated \$16,000. Thank you for your support to help our families learn at home.

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Can you help us make a difference?
We hope to have 100 Superheroes make a gift to enrich education in the Dickinson Public Schools.

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Grant Highlights from 2021-2022



Acoustic sound shell for DHS Music



Reading Rodeo Lending Library



Adaptive bike at Jefferson

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Every act of generosity counts, and everyone has something to give. There are many different ways to express generosity on Giving Tuesday and every day. It's a simple idea: whether it's making someone smile, helping a neighbor or a stranger, volunteering or giving some of what we have to a good cause. All gifts matter. For more information, go to: www.dickinson.k12.nd.us/foundation/giving-tuesday.

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