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Steph Deidrick District Liaison Dear KSD Families,

As a member of our Kirkwood School District Foundation (KSDF) family, we want to thank you for sharing in our mission to enrich the educational experience of all students in the Kirkwood School District (KSD). Your generosity in 2023 allowed us to "Say Yes!" to the increasing requests of KSDF. We want to "Do More in 2024!"

Your donation to KSDF benefits staff & students and determines the giving power of our Foundation.

## Your gifts to KSDF made it possible to "Say Yes" to these 2023 achievements:

- Boosting Back-to-School: KSDF awarded \$32,000 (\$4,000/school) in back-to-school
  grants to each of our five elementary schools, two middle schools, and Kirkwood Early
  Childhood Center.
- **Bestowing More Named Awards:** KSDF presented over \$116,000 in Named Award Scholarships to 31 KHS Seniors and three underclassmen. This year we established three new endowed scholarships to be awarded in 2024.
- **Recognizing Outstanding Staff:** KSDF gifted commemorative jackets honoring Teachers of the Year and Support Staff of the Year and welcomed new staff to KSD.
- **Supporting Inclusion:** KSDF sponsored Unified Night Lights, a unified flag football event where people with and without disabilities play together, side-by-side. We purchased the pre-game meal and gave take-home shirts to all participants.
- **Kickstarting College:** KSDF granted \$5,000 to the KHS College Kickstart Program and will continue to support it as needed. The College Kickstart Program assists students who might need assistance with essentials to start their first year in college.
- Expanding Enrichment Grants: In 2022-23, we granted over \$7,000 in Enrichment Grants to KSD staff to supplement their work on behalf of students. This school year, we awarded the same amount to 20+ deserving applicants by October and will continue to "Do More in 2024!"

You've helped us do all this and more, including supporting schools through times of need. Thank you for helping us make these investments which made a lasting difference for our community.

Please consider supporting KSDF this year with your donation to this annual appeal. **Our goal is to raise \$100,000 in general funds to "Do More in 2024!"** 

Thank you,

Stephanie Collet Executive Director, KSDF

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P.S. For other ways to support KSDF, visit kirkwoodfoundation.org or email info@kirkwoodfoundation.org

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