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OKTE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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To: Our Friends at Tearing Up the Turf for Timothy and Friends

From: Okte Elementary School

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Please accept our heartfelt thanks for the generous donation of \$4500 so that several of our Shenendehowa teachers could attend the Assistive Technology Industry Association conference in late January. This was a prime opportunity for a special education teacher, a speech therapist, a school psychologist, an academic intervention teacher, a special education administrator and building principal to view the latest and greatest technology, and to learn how to successfully implement these tools in our schools for children with special needs. We used our different perspectives to broaden our scope of interest and discovery. Each of these teachers will be presenting their new found knowledge at their respective department meetings and as a group we are presenting a mini-workshop to our colleagues on Superintendent's Conference Day. At Okte, we will also have an opportunity to investigate the feasibility of using iPads with students in a pilot program next month. We are very excited to implement our new found technology knowledge with our colleagues and parents!

In these difficult fiscal times, it takes a whole community to work together to educate our children! We are truly grateful for your generous donation!

Many, many thanks for your support!

Sincerely,



Lisa Mickle
Okte Principal