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Foundation for LPS Announces New Fund-A-Need Platform: Give

Lincoln, Neb – The Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools announces the rollout of a new platform for its Fund a Need program, hosted by FoundationGIVE. This platform was created to help teachers find resources to support unique experiences for students.

The Fund a Need program has been around for over 14 years, but this new interface allows so much more interaction between the community and the educators. Teachers submit ideas for projects and activities, called campaigns that are outside of the budget provided by tax dollars. These requests can range from books for a classroom library or a field trip to the zoo to musical instruments or bringing in a speaker to a classroom. This allows students to have educational opportunities that they wouldn't normally have with typical budgetary limitations. Campaigns are posted online the so donors can give to support and enhance experiences for students.

"Fund a Need has been a great investment- one that has changed the lives of tens of thousands of students and teachers in LPS since its inception," said Gary Reber, Development Officer for School Communities at the Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools.

"This platform goes beyond just crowdfunding," says Foundation President Wendy Van. "We are creating a smart-marketplace of sorts, where our community can meet our schools in partnership. We can't wait to see what our parents, grandparents and community partners will be able to make happen for kids using this fantastic tool."

"In this era of continuously increasing expectations for students, Fund a Need donors continue to show us their support of public education. It is exactly this type of community level support that makes a difference in kids' lives. We are so thankful for the generosity of our donors." – Tiffany Young, teacher

“FoundationGIVE is a great example of a private-public partnership that helps benefit our community. We’re excited to work alongside the Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools to help LPS teachers better equip their classrooms for success,” said Casey Winkels, Co-founder and President of FoundationGIVE.

See more about Fund a Need at <https://www.foundationforlps.org/fund-a-need>

You can view all the live campaigns under FLPS here:

<https://foundationgive.com/foundations/1/foundation-for-lincoln-public-schools-Fund-A-Need>

About the Foundation for LPS – The Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools (FLPS) believes that all students should have what they need to reach their full potential. We engage our community to inspire students and educators, and create educational opportunities that enhance academic and personal success.

About Nelnet Innovation Hub – The Nelnet Innovation Hub, founded in 2013, exists to discover, validate, create traction and scale new businesses that build on the wide-range of competencies within Nelnet’s business units. The Nelnet Innovation Hub has been recognized as the two-time winner of the Silicon Prairie Corporate Innovator of the Year in 2016 and 2017.

About FoundationGIVE – FoundationGIVE is an online platform for classroom-based fundraising and a marketplace for business-school partnerships. We help public school foundations match donors and businesses with the classrooms where their gifts will matter the most. Learn more at foundationgive.com.

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