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Greetings, friend:

Thank you for your support of the Penn-Harris-Madison Education Foundation! Your gifts to the P-H-M Education Foundation are helping our students and teachers achieve educational excellence in all 15 P-H-M schools.

This year, our students achieved some of the strongest academic results in Indiana! P-H-M is ranked in the top 4% of public school corporations statewide for the second consecutive year. Northpoint and Prairie Vista Elementaries are both ranked among the Top 10 schools in Indiana. Discovery Middle School is ranked #3 in the state.

Each year, teachers from around the district submit grant proposals to the P-H-M Education Foundation to fund projects in their schools and classrooms – projects made possible by your gifts. **This year, your gifts funded innovative projects like book vending machines!**

A book vending machine is exactly what it sounds like: it's a vending machine that "sells" books. But, instead of buying books with money, books can only be purchased with tokens they earn for demonstrating kindness, leadership, and hard work in their school. The machine is stocked with books that are appropriate for all grade levels, so every student can enjoy the fun of popping in a token, carefully choosing exactly which buttons to push, and then watching in anticipation as the gear slowly turns to release their new treasure.



At Horizon Elementary, the book vending machine is one way the school is creating a culture that encourages reading as a life-long habit. And this work is paying off! ***This year, Horizon was named the highest performing school in Indiana IREAD testing, achieving a 100% pass rate!***

Now, our teachers are preparing new grant applications for everything from classroom technology to gym equipment and items to help students whose families are struggling to make ends meet. Every grant request represents an opportunity to help our students, but **without additional funding we will be forced to deny some of this year's grant applications.**



Through your gift you are teaching a child to love reading. You are introducing a student to the wonder of the arts. You are showing a family that even when times are hard their community is here to help.

Would you consider making a year-end contribution to support impactful programs like book vending machines? Together, we can help turn excellent ideas into excellent results in our schools, one grant at a time.

You can give now at phmef.org or by scanning the QR code at the bottom of this letter. If you would rather give by check, we have enclosed an envelope for your convenience.

Thank you for your generosity to our students, educators, and community through the P-H-M Education Foundation.

With gratitude,

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Jennifer Turnblom
Executive Director

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Ginée Ames
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