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Foundation invests \$29,200 in career and college readiness.

Electric car conversion, a new composites course, high school courses for college credit and literacy enhancements for English and Spanish speakers are just a few of the impacts to be made by a \$29,200 grant from the Northshore Schools Foundation to Northshore School District Tuesday, Jan. 22. These funds support district career and college readiness efforts and are aimed at increasing students success rate as they enter into college and career.

The funds were raised during the fall, "All in for Kids" campaign where over 2,000 district families contributed to the cause. "We are excited about the success of the "All in for Kids" campaign because it combines and multiplies the efforts of thousands of families and community members that go above and beyond for our students. Families gave gifts of between twenty and a hundred dollars, sometimes more, and that added up. Every gift counts and the impact is significant," said Carmin Dalziel, Northshore Schools Foundation executive director.

Funds granted will impact over 2,000 students this year and are anticipated to impact 10,500 students collectively over the life of the projects funded

The grant distribution is as follows:

- \$2,400 for a pilot 8th grade College Board test to help students identify their interests and aptitude for advanced studies.
- \$2,000 to support the district auto tech program at Bothell High School where students are converting a gas vehicle to an electric one and then taking it on the road to show students district-wide how electric engines can be more powerful and sustainable than standard gas engines. Funds will also support a new composites manufacturing course to prepare students for current Science, Technology,

Engineering and Math (STEM) jobs at The Boeing Company and other local aerospace manufactures.

- \$7,000 investment in textbooks for high school level International Baccalaureate (IB), Advanced Placement (AP) and College in the High School classes. These classes allow students to gain college credits while attending high school.
- \$15,000 investment in elementary literacy. Funds will build new teacher libraries and offer support for English and Spanish speaking students to improve student learning and reduce the opportunity gap.
- \$2,800 to support the elementary Math Olympiad teams.

Northshore Schools Foundation will continue its 2012–13 emphasis on career and college readiness at its annual Light A Fire for Learning Luncheon which will be held March 28 at the Lynnwood Convention Center. To find out more please visit

www.NorthshoreSchoolsFoundation.org.



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