

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL YOU DO FOR THE SPENCER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS!

As a supporter of the Spencer Community Schools we hope that you will join in helping to make the 2011-2012 school year another great success. It is the generosity of our School Foundation supporters that makes these extra education experiences possible for the students and faculty.

Your gifts have helped us over the last ten years to provide more than \$533,000 in scholarships awarded to 695 students. We've awarded thousands of dollars annually for the "Teach for Excellence Grants" which are presented to multiple students, classrooms and staff.



We've also donated \$102,000 to the middle school Kruse Music Fundraiser, purchased \$100,000 of smart boards for classrooms, provided partial funding to partner programs with Iowa Lakeside Lab, brought artists, scholars, authors and poets into our students' classrooms, raised over \$75,000 from area businesses to purchase new equipment for the high school Metal Technology Program, and so much more.

Part of the above was accomplished through a \$400,000 grant from the Dvergsten Foundation. We are to raise \$200,000 to leverage the grant to \$600,000 for our students. We need your help so that we can reach this match by 2013. Remember, these funds bring in educational speakers and authors, enhance business-school partnerships, promote technology and teaching training for teachers, and fund field trips and grants to students and teachers.

Our long-time Executive Director, Heidi Toale, is retiring. We are pleased to announce Tammy Higgins is stepping up into the Executive Director role and she will be assisted by former Spencer teacher, Mary Frank.

Help us make Spencer not just a good school system, but a GREAT SCHOOL SYSTEM. We have accomplished much over the past year, and we couldn't have done it without your support!

THANK YOU,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dick H. Montgomery". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the "y".

Dick H. Montgomery