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First National Bank Donates \$6,350 to NRHEG Public Schools

November 19, 2021 (Waseca, MN) — First National Bank recently presented NRHEG Public Schools with \$6,350 to purchase equipment and curriculum through their Panther Debit Card Donation Program.

“The community partnership between NRHEG Public Schools and First National Bank of Waseca has enabled staff to enhance the education provided to students,” said Superintendent of NRHEG Schools, Michael Meihak. “Through their generosity, we are able to bring learning opportunities to a new level. As a school district, we pride ourselves on providing a top-notch education for our students and could not do this without the help of our communities working together. First National Bank has proven to be invested in our school and supporting our mission.”

Items purchased from the donation include a portable SMART board for elementary math intervention and a light table for Bridges transitional kindergarten program. In addition, funds have been given to put towards guided reading and small group text sets for elementary students. These donations are projected to impact more than 500 students annually.

“During this season of giving, we are proud and honored to partner with area schools to positively impact the lives of our children,” said CEO & President of First National Bank, Bernie Gaytko. “We encourage our communities to carry the card so we can continue to increase our giving year over year. Together we can make a big difference in our children’s futures.”

The Panther Debit Card Donation Program began in 2004 to fund youth needs that couldn’t be met without donations to leave a lasting impact. Every time a customer uses their Panther debit card First National Bank allocates a portion of interchange fee income for donation requests. Since the program began, more than \$375,000.00 have been donated to Waseca and NRHEG schools for items such as technology, software, curriculum, outdoor equipment, athletic equipment, defibrillators and more. For more information visit www.fnbwaseca.com/community/supporting-local-schools.

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