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Latest donation of \$81,000 to schools brings total to more than \$380,000

The Viking Pride Foundation's recent donation of \$81,000 to the Winthrop Public Schools pushes the total monies given by this Foundation to more than \$380,000 in five years! Within the last five years, the Viking Pride Foundation has worked endlessly to raise funds to support Winthrop's public schools while simultaneously building a perpetual endowment. The endowment will effectively be a resource for future generations.

The latest contribution by the Viking Pride Foundation represents a significant source of outside funding for co-curricular activities in our public schools. Because of this funding, athletic fees were discounted by \$100 this year. These funds will also offset major costs in offering important co-curricular activities such as music, art and drama.

More than \$17,000 of the donation was given to teachers from all grade levels who requested grants for their classroom. Some of the grants given include literacy programs for the Cummings and Gorman Ft. Banks Schools and music equipment for the Middle School.

"The Viking Pride Foundation continues to recognize the importance of providing quality education for the children of Winthrop," said Al Petrilli, Chairman of the Viking Pride Foundation. "We are aware of the fiscal struggles this town faces and we are pleased to step in again and make funds available for co-curricular activities this year. The Viking Pride Foundation owes a lot to our community-inclined supporters, our hard-working volunteers and our generous contributors."

Over the last five years, the Viking Pride Foundation has rescued many programs. With its consistent history of giving sizable donations to the public schools, coupled with a decline in the economy, the Viking Pride Foundation remains challenged to raise funds to grow its endowment.

Consider becoming a member of the Viking Pride Foundation today. Visit www.vikingpride.org.

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