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### MEF Awards \$35,659 in MISD Staff Grants

Friday, December 14, 2007

Friday the McKinney Education Foundation awarded 18 grants to deserving MISD teachers. 13 grants were awarded to 9 elementary schools, 4 grants to two middle schools, and two grants to two high schools for a total of \$35,659.67.

Most funds for grants are given by MISD employees. To honor their spirit of giving, MEF charges no administrative costs from the Staff Grants program. This year, CoServ Teacher Grant Endowment, Sunrise Rotary Club and two individual donors also contributed to the fund from which grants are awarded.



*Staff members at Caldwell Elementary react to news of a grant.*

MEF thanks everyone who donated to the Staff Fund this year and everyone who helped award grants on Friday. A special thank you goes to the MEF Grant Committee for their time and hard work:

Julia Shahid – Chair  
 Jeff Caserroti – MEF Board Member  
 Kevyn Robertson – MEF Board Member  
 Laura Allen  
 Dr. Virginia Cotton - MISD Staff  
 Bobby Mefford  
 Scott Moltzan  
 David Omholt

### Professional Development Grants

#### **United States Institute for Theatre Technology Convention in Houston, TX**

Denise Tooch  
*McKinney High School*

This convention brings together theatrical professionals from around the world who speak on theatre topics that include design, innovations, safety, community outreach, and problem solving.

#### **Inclusion Works Conference in Austin, TX**

Heather Blankenship et al.  
*Multiple Elementary Schools*

The conference covers a variety of issues dealing with inclusion of special education students into the general education settings.

#### **International Reading Association Annual Conference in Atlanta, Georgia**

Martha Drexel et al.



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