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Mudd Nick Foundation Supporters,

Thank you for all of your support this school year to provide learning experiences that stimulate children to aspire to their greatest potential and to pursue their dreams. I would like to share some highlights how your support makes a profound difference in the lives of north Tillamook County youth. The Mudd Nick Foundation enhances the physical and mental health of students with its donation to the Neah-Kah-Nie Student Health & Wellness Center [nknhealth.org](http://nknhealth.org). Over 200 students accessed the health & wellness center in its first year of operation. Thank you, Mudd Nick Foundation, for your support in making the health & wellness center a vital community tool with a youth-centered model that supports young people's health and well-being.

You expand the awareness of youth to the world by sponsoring multiple students to actively participate in the Partners of America Costa Rica Exchange Program [partnersorcr.com](http://partnersorcr.com). This summer, three NKN High School students will attend school and live with families in Costa Rica. Various Costa Rican students attended NKN High School this fall and lived with NKN families. Thank you, Mudd Nick Foundation, for promoting international understanding and friendship between Neah-Kah-Nie High School and Costa Rica students and families. The Foundation is always willing to broaden the horizons of students by funding new learning experiences.

This school year, over seventy students participate in Chess for Success [chessforsuccess.org](http://chessforsuccess.org). Thank you, Mudd Nick Foundation, for sponsoring chess as a tool for building community, connections, and confidence.

The NKN High School drama program benefited from the generosity of the MNF with a new sound system. With the collaboration of the school district and the Mudd Nick Foundation, the high school stage has a new sound system, new lighting, and new curtains. Thank you, Mudd Nick Foundation, for helping to build self-esteem and communication skills of our drama students.

Approximately 90 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade aspiring actors/actresses participated in the week-long Missoula Children's Theatre [mctinc.org](http://mctinc.org) in collaboration with our community partner NCRD. Thank you, Mudd Nick Foundation, for fostering creativity and providing access to community-driven performing arts experiences.

As the Neah-Kah-Nie School District Superintendent for the past eleven years, it has been my honor to collaborate with the Mudd Nick Foundation to broaden the horizons of children. Your advocacy for children is heartfelt. I am a witness to the success of the Mudd Nick Foundation's purpose, mission, and vision. I will do what is necessary in order for the new NKN School District Superintendent to continue to collaborate with the Mudd Nick Foundation to provide learning experiences for all north Tillamook County children.

Thank you Mudd Nick Foundation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Erlebach".

Paul Erlebach, Superintendent  
Neah-Kah-Nie School District