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Northwest ISD Elementary Campus Logs 10,000+ Volunteer Hours

Cheers of celebration were heard throughout the halls at Kay Granger Elementary on April 16. Northwest Independent School District administration and Granger staff celebrated Granger Elementary volunteers during their volunteer appreciation breakfast. The campus has been named the Northwest ISD Partners in Education (PIE) Campus of the Year for the third consecutive year.

“Not a day goes by that I don’t see a friendly face volunteering in our building,” says Principal Kimmie Etheredge. “Currently, Granger Elementary School is in the running for a National School of Character award. Our students see examples of service daily from their parents as they spend tireless hours serving in our building.”

Volunteers were presented the “Circle of Teamwork” trophy for their hard work and dedication this school year. The campus has logged approximately 10,296 volunteer hours from August 2012 to March 2013. Results have been determined based on total hours logged per student.

The current estimate for the value of a volunteer hour is \$22.14, according to Independent Sector, the nation’s largest non-partisan coalition of nonprofit organizations. The volunteers of Granger Elementary have contributed the equivalent of roughly \$227,953.44 to Northwest ISD.

“Granger Elementary has continued to build a strong partnership with their community,” said Superintendent Karen G. Rue, Ed.D. “I am so thankful for our volunteers who believe in and support the district’s vision. They are putting kids first – and that is what we are about.”

The NISD Partners in Education (PIE) program values the support of the Northwest ISD community. NISD provides numerous opportunities to engage parents and the community in the education of children. Currently, the district has more than 7,000 approved volunteers. If you would like to volunteer in Northwest ISD, please visit www.nisdtx.org/volunteercheck.

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PHOTO ID [volunteeraward.jpg]: Volunteers from Kay Granger Elementary School received the “Circle of Teamwork” trophy for their dedication and efforts this school year. Pictured from left to right: Granger Elementary PTA President Melody Cooley, Granger Elementary Volunteer Coordinator Pam Pine, Granger Elementary Principal Kimmie Etheredge, Partners in Education Specialist Phil Beckman and NISD Superintendent of Schools Karen G. Rue, Ed.D.