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Total of \$150,000 in Educational Grants Awarded to 60 Teachers Across America to Drive Positive Change in Nation's Classrooms

Farmers Insurance Announces Third Round Winners of Thank America's Teachers Program Raising Total to More Than \$400,000 in Grants Awarded to Teachers

Woodland Hills, Calif. (November 17, 2015) – Farmers Insurance®, one of the nation's largest multiline insurer groups, announced the third round of 60 winning teachers of its Thank America's Teachers[™] \$2,500 educational grant program. To date, a total of \$450,000 has been awarded to 180 teachers across the nation. Farmers®, inspired by the great work done by teachers every day, created the Thank America's Teachers initiative to say thank you to teachers and award more than \$1,000,000 in educational grants in 2015.

Launched at the 2015 Farmers Insurance Open in San Diego, California, the Thank America's Teachers program enables Americans everywhere to say thank you to teachers who made an impact on their lives. In addition to awarding 180 grants valued at \$2,500 throughout the year to recognize the great work that teachers do every day, Farmers Insurance took the program one step further by developing the Dream Big Teacher Challenge, offering teachers a chance to compete for six \$100,000 educational grants. In total, Farmers will present teachers across the country more than \$1 million in educational grants in 2015.

"We received many incredible proposals from dedicated teachers across the country for the third and final round of this year's \$2,500 Thank America's Teachers grants," said Kelly LaMar, managing lead of Thank America's Teachers at Farmers Insurance. "Farmers is proud to be able to provide the necessary funds to help further advance education in their classrooms and schools, and look forward to offering more \$2,500 and \$100,000 grants to teachers beginning in January 2016."

Below is a list of the latest group of 60 winners (note to editors, details of the winning proposals and access to the winning teachers are available by the contacting Farmers Media Relations representative below):

Name of Teacher	School	City, State
Amanda Zerr	Excel Academy	Arvada, Colorado

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Kellyann Goring	Astatula Elementary	Astatula, Florida
Hall Redfearn	Benton Academy	Benton, Mississippi
David White	Benton Academy	Benton, Mississippi
Tracy Folsom	I.T. Stoddard Elementary	Blackfoot, Idaho
Melissa Hunt	I.T. Stoddard Elementary	Blackfoot, Idaho
Katie Jones	Crest View Elementary	Boulder, Colorado
Michelle Francis	Valley View Elementary	Bountiful, Utah
Diane Norris	Double Churches Elementary	Columbus, Georgia
Christopher Green	W H Adamson High School	Dallas, Texas
Kirstyn Davis	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Laura Tindill	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Roxy Self	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Brittany Paxton	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Linda Skinner	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Mendy Shepard	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Lu Lamson	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Laura Pitts	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Holly Leverett	Heritage Elementary	Edmond, Oklahoma
Valerie McElroy	Greenwood Elementary	Florence, South Carolina
Christina Purcell	Maple Elementary School	Hesperia, California
Teresa Miller	Grimshaw Elementary	LaFayette, New York
Mary Ellen Long	Grimshaw Elementary	LaFayette, New York
Emma Eckert	Ludlow Elementary School	Ludlow, Vermont
Ali Hernandez	Ustach Middle School	Modesto, California
Sarah Deaton	Ustach Middle School	Modesto, California
Angi Hagins	Northside Elementary	Montrose, Colorado
Susan Ford	Edgemont Elementary School	Newport, Tennessee
Regina Giles	Ladonia Elementary School	Phenix City, Alabama
Lora Green	FitzPatrick, A.L. Elementary School	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Margaret Dewhurst	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Stella Cravens	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Jeri Frederick	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Thomas Walton	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Jared Adelson	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Beth Douthitt	Abraham Lincoln Traditional	Phoenix, Arizona
Virgie Lloyd	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Jody Gallagher	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Erica Adelson	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Christine Ruhl	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona

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Teresa DeMore	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Vicky Wolf	Abraham Lincoln Traditional School	Phoenix, Arizona
Jen Chasse	Plymouth Center School	Plymouth, Connecticut
Nikki O'Donnell	Highland Elementary	Rifle, Colorado
Pam Kraus	St. John's Military School	Salina, Kansas
Amy Wood	Rogers Elementary	San Antonio, Texas
Kathryn Hethcote	West Woodland Elementary	Seattle, Washington
Sara Williams	West Woodland Elementary	Seattle, Washington
Wynne York-Jones	West Woodland Elementary	Seattle, Washington
Nancy Kowalczyk	Cool Valley Elementary	St. Louis, Missouri
Carla Walz	Steger Intermediate Center	Steger, Illinois
Tracy Myszkowski	Columbia Central School	Steger, Illinois
Thomas Aguirre	Columbia Central	Steger, Illinois
Heather Shelton	Columbia Central Middle School	Steger, Illinois
Richard Norcutt	Columbia Central Middle school	Steger, Illinois
Denise DeBoer	Eastview Elementary	Steger, Illinois
Tammy Miller	Steger Primary Center	Steger, Illinois
Jennifer Hubbartt	Steger Intermediate Center (Parkview)	Steger, Illinois
Chris Krout	Steger Intermediate Center	Steger, Illinois
Ruth De Melo	Welleby Elementary	Sunrise, Florida

Farmers Insurance is working with AdoptAClassroom.org, a national non-profit, to help teachers acquire the supplies and equipment they have requested in their proposals.

For more information about the Thank America's Teachers program, please visit: www.ThankAmericasTeachers.com

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About AdoptAClassroom.org

AdoptAClassroom.org (AAC) gives teachers a hand by providing much needed classroom supplies and materials to help their students learn and succeed. As an award-winning 501(c)(3), AAC makes it easy for donors to provide funding and support to K-12 classrooms in public, private and charter schools throughout the U.S. On average, teachers spend \$500 of their own

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money each year to equip their classrooms - 10% of teachers spend more than \$1000 annually. Since 1998 AdoptAClassroom.org has raised over \$22 million and benefited more than 5 million students throughout the U.S. AAC holds a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator. For more information, or to adopt a classroom, please visit <u>www.adoptaclassroom.org</u>

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