



To the Friends and Supporters of the HISD Education Foundation,

2018 was a significant milestone for the Foundation as we celebrated twenty years of fulfilling our charter to support the students and staff of the Henderson Independent School District. That charter is specific: **“To enhance the quality of education and provide students with opportunities to become contributing citizens in our society.”**

The Education Foundation has two directions to provide this legacy of success – the teacher grant program **and** the student scholarship program. Luckily, our community has continuously put education first in many ways. One of the key methods to give this support is through ***continued annual commitment*** of individuals such as yourselves. Because of this, our scholarships and grants programs have disbursed over \$2.5 million in our twenty-year history.

Key to this growth is shown in the fact that we gave \$16,000 in student scholarships during year one and are now up to annual scholarships and grants totaling just over \$210,000. The strength of our base and our management of that base has continued to enable YOUR Foundation to pave the way for success locally in the classroom and with our graduates nationwide in collegiate endeavors.

With a strong and growing base AND with several large donations, we are now at a place to be able to offer new options as we plan to **MOVE FORWARD**. HISD Education Foundation is very methodically considering new opportunities to continue to make education the top priority for our community. You will be given opportunities, if you wish, to establish specific annual scholarships or grant programs OR become a part of a strong base with large scholarships being given out of an established pool of donations. Your board is made up of or has access to financial advisers, tax consultants, and attorneys who are helping make things easy for our partners in education. It will be something in which you or your family will want to participate.

But first, we ask each of you to renew your annual partnership with the HISD Education Foundation. These initial membership gifts will leave a lasting impact on future generations of children. Your support of teacher grants, student scholarships, and the general activities of the Foundation will enable us to begin a new era as we continue our vision of success and move forward with the continuing goal of maintaining the Tradition of Excellence far into the future. Thank you for your continued part in the legacy of the HISD Education Foundation.

Sincerely,

HISD Education Foundation
Board of Directors