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Dear Friends,

Thank you for a terrific first year for our new Wiley Elementary Foundation! As a new organization, we aimed to create awareness and interest in our mission:

To support the long-term sustainability of Wiley's award winning International Studies Magnet program by providing the school with resources to recruit and retain teachers and staff essential to Wiley's unique, inclusive culture and who provide benefits to every Wiley student.

We are delighted with the response from the school's community. Participation in our Movie Night and the Wiley World Event were fantastic, and with the help of donors' contributions, we were excited to present a Buddy Bench for the playground as an inaugural Fifth Grade Gift to the school.

We are grateful for the financial support offered to the Foundation. After receiving our tax-exempt status in April of 2019, the Foundation received both one-time gifts and ongoing donations through our Sustainers Program totaling approximately \$30,000! These funds will be fully allocated to support the teaching and staff positions that help make Wiley so successful.

The immediate effect of your generosity is an increase in funding for Wiley's Magnet Coordinator position. In order to enhance and support the international magnet theme, the Coordinator collaborates with teachers on language classes, electives, and other units of study; recruits magnet students and serves as a point person for interested families; organizes events and takes the lead on community connections; and teams with teachers and students to create Wiley Gives Back and other projects. **The benefits of additional funding for this position will be felt widely across the school, in every grade and every classroom.**

Moving into the 2019-2020 school year, our goal is to continue to support Wiley's unique culture in a meaningful way so as to benefit every student. As fellow parents of students who will benefit from the Foundation's initiatives, we encourage you to consider joining the Foundation's Sustainers Program, by pledging a monthly donation at www.wileyelementaryfoundation.org. You can also support the Foundation's initiative through one-time donations of cash, stocks, in-kind gifts, corporate donations, and volunteer services. If you would like to become more involved with the Foundation, please feel free to reach out to any of our Board members through the contact information on our website.

Stay tuned for more! Building on the excitement of returning to our incredible remodeled school on St. Mary's Street, the Foundation is thrilled to support Wiley throughout the upcoming School Year. We thank you and our corporate sponsors for helping us to achieve our mission of helping sustain Wiley's amazing magnet program!

Sincerely,

The Wiley Elementary Foundation Board

