



Cuyahoga Falls City Schools
FRIEND OF EDUCATION AWARD

Certificate of Commendation

THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO

ELKS LODGE #1923

IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR INITIATING A PARTNERSHIP WITH CUYAHOGA FALLS HIGH SCHOOL. YOUR UNIQUE AND TIMELY DONATION OF PORTABLE HAND SANITIZING STATIONS DURING A PANDEMIC DEMONSTRATES YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE WELFARE OF OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF.

YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION AND YOUR ENDEAVOR TO PARTNER WITH THE CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT TRULY ESTABLISHES YOU AS A MEMBER OF OUR BLACK TIGER FAMILY.

Dr. Todd M. Nichols,
Superintendent/CEO

2/3/2021

Date

Ms. Karen Schofield,
President - Board of Education

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Elks Lodge #1923

The partnership with the Elks Lodge #1923 is a new one that has developed over the past year. Giving back to the community is an ongoing mission for the Elks. Sarah Whitford, Elks President, initiated the partnership with Cuyahoga Falls High School back in 2020 through an email to Principal Allison Bogdan.

Through that email, the Lodge embarked on a goal to identify and satisfy a particular need of the high school. Ms. Bogdan shared the email with her staff, who in turn shared it with their students to generate ideas of the school's needs. Many wonderful ideas were submitted. However, one student's suggestion was both needed and timely. The student wanted to increase the number of sanitizer stations in the school.

On Wednesday, December 16, 2020, using funds secured through the national chapter, members of the Elks Lodge #1923 surprised Principal Allison Bogdan with a generous donation of twelve free-standing hand sanitizing stations, refills, and a variety of support materials valued at about \$1,800.

These couldn't have come at a better time in the midst of a pandemic. The free-standing units can be moved to high-traffic areas throughout the school when needed.

According to Principal Bogdan, the Elks, and especially Sarah were the most generous and kind group that she has ever worked with and we are blessed to have these people in the Falls. Partnering with the Elks has been an inspiring experience. The time they spent and the generosity they demonstrated is what our Black Tiger Family is all about and we are excited to partner with them in future endeavors.