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Hello,

I understand that the grant check that I sent up a few weeks ago has not yet been deposited because it needs board approval. The board would also need a description of the grant and how the money will be utilized. I have included this information from Mrs. Kelly, who applied for and was awarded the grant, below:

Kawameeh Middle School will be using the grant money to purchase Holocaust related literature (both digital and hard copies) as well as bring in a speaker (virtually if necessary) to discuss and share Holocaust-related experiences. This directly ties into the 8th grade ELA curriculum for Unit 2: Holocaust - "Remembering the Past".

As a young Jewish boy in Poland, Mark Schonwetter survived the Holocaust, along with his mother and sister, by hiding in the forests as well as in the homes of righteous Polish families. Over the last few years, Mark and his daughters Ann Arnold and Isabella Fiske, have been sharing his story of survival with adults of all ages as well as students all over the Northeast. In 2016, Ann put her father's story in writing and published her first book, *Together A Journey for Survival*. Through Ann & Isabella's travels and speaking engagements they discovered one of the biggest obstacles that schools face with Holocaust Education is budget restraints.

As a result, they have established the Mark Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation. The goal of this foundation is to raise funds to allow schools to apply for grants that will aide them in purchasing materials and funding programs that will enhance Holocaust curriculum.

Please let me know if you need more information so that we can get this approved.

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