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Dear Parent or Legal Guardian,

We are excited to share that Moore Public Schools (MPS) and the MPS Foundation annual philanthropic initiative, "Moore Love," will be throughout the entire month of February and that this year our students have chosen to raise funds for three very important causes.

The Superintendent's Leadership Academy, which is comprised of Leadership class students from Moore, Westmoore and Southmoore high schools, are leading the charge and working with their feeder junior high and elementary schools to collaborate on fundraising.

When asked which nonprofit group to support this year through the Superintendent's Leadership Academy philanthropy efforts, our young leaders did not choose one group or even two - they chose three. All of these causes are important and helpful to many of our students and all of our schools.

- **Mary Abbott Children's House:** is a safe place for children to tell their stories regarding sexual and physical abuse and neglect, as well as children who are a witness to crime and in drug endangered situations. Abbott House provides forensic interviews, medical assessments, advocacy, and education around the signs of abuse and how to report suspected abuse. For more information, visit webpage: www.abbott-house.org
- **Sparrow Project:** (of Moore, OK), creates a safe environment for young adults with intellectual disabilities that promote happy and fulfilled lives through job skills, life skills, creative interests and social activities. For more information, visit Facebook page: @thesparrowproject
- **Regional Foodbank:** MPS works with the Oklahoma Regional Food Bank to provide food items in backpacks for approximately 650 of our students. These students do not have food to sustain them during the weekend and this program helps fulfill this need. For more information, visit webpage: www.regionalfoodbank.org

How will our students raise money during the month of February? Every Friday - Feb. 1, 8, 15 and 22, at each school, there will be fundraisers. All of the money raised on those fundraisers will go toward the three philanthropic efforts. The fundraisers at each school site will be selected by the student leaders at that site and approved by their administration. Some of the fundraisers may include assemblies, pajama day, hat day, and etc. Also this year – parents, families and friends – can donate directly to the school site in addition to participating every Friday.



Who doesn't love a friendly competition for a good cause? We have three high schools in our district and each of them have junior high and elementary schools that “feed” into them – hence why those schools are often referred to as “feeder” schools. This year, we are having an intra-district challenge to see which high school and their feeder schools can raise the most money. At the end of February, based on most funds raised, a champion will be determined and they will receive the trophy and bragging rights! Will it be the Lion Pride, Jaguar Pride or SaberCat Pride?

We are confident that Moore Love will be a success in helping to meet the needs of so many of our students, schools and community. I have always said our community is the strongest, most giving and selfless communities. We help each other, that is what WE do! I look forward to seeing what we accomplish for these three great causes, together.

As always, thank you for your support!

Sincerely,



Dr. Romines, Superintendent

