

Farmers Makes Donation to Help School Replenish Needed Supplies

Overland Park, Kan. (May 8, 2014) - As part of the Farmers Insurance “Thank A Million Teachers” national program, Farmers and NASCAR driver Kasey Kahne honored Lori Briggs-Jeter, a Special Education Resource Room Teacher who has been teaching at Overland Park Elementary School for 30 years, with a heartfelt “Thank You” in front of hundreds of excited students.

During the visit, Farmers and Kahne showed off the special Farmers Insurance “Thank A Million Teachers” paint scheme, which will adorn the hood of Kahne’s No. 5 Chevy SS in Saturday’s NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race at Kansas Speedway. He also will drive this special paint scheme for a third time this month -- National Teacher Appreciation Month -- at Charlotte Motor Speedway on May 25. Also during Thursday’s visit, Farmers announced a donation to Overland Park Elementary of funds to help the school replenish its school supplies.

“We are thrilled to have Kasey’s support of the Farmers ‘Thank A Million Teachers’ initiative,” said Doris Dunn, Director of Community Relations for Farmers Insurance. “We understand that teachers play an integral role in helping children learn and grow smarter. That’s why Farmers is excited to provide America with a platform to share their ‘thanks’ with educators and honor teachers with funding to continue doing what they do best — positively impact the minds of our future leaders.”

“Teachers play such an important role in helping students pursue their dreams so I’m proud to be a part of the Farmers Insurance ‘Thank A Million Teachers’ program,” Kahne said. “It’s great being able to show our appreciation towards these amazing teachers who have positively influenced our lives.”

“We are grateful to Farmers Insurance and Kasey Kahne for their support of all of the teachers and students at Overland Park Elementary,” said Leah Debner, Principal of Overland Park Elementary. “Their visit today highlights the commitment teachers make to ensure a quality education for all students; teachers like Mrs. Briggs-Jeter who motivate and inspire students to set goals for their future endeavors. We’re so fortunate to have someone like Lori at our school. By dedicating more than three decades of her life to help educate the students at Overland Park Elementary, she’s made a positive impact of the lives of thousands of students over the years. On behalf of our teachers, students and community, I would like to personally thank Farmers and Kasey for their support of teachers and the educational initiatives through the ‘Thank A Million Teachers’ program.”

With more than 500,000 teachers across the United States already recognized since the “Thank A Million Teachers” program launched earlier this year, Farmers Insurance is far ahead of its stated goal to Thank a Million Teachers in 2014.

As part of the “Thank A Million Teachers” program, Farmers is urging America to thank teachers, past and present, for the positive impact they have had in communities across the nation. Earlier this week, Farmers announced the details of a national competition that offers teachers across America the chance to win one of five \$100,000 grants through the “Thank A Million Teachers” program.

Farmers has also invited teachers to submit proposals for \$2,500 grants on www.thankamillionteachers.com website. During May, Farmers is inviting the public to vote on the round of proposals submitted in March and April, with 30 new winners to be announced in June. In all, Farmers has committed to donating \$1 million to teachers and education programs in 2014.

For more information about the Farmers Insurance “Thank A Million Teachers” program, or to personally thank one or more of your favorite teachers, visit www.thankamillionteachers.com today.

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