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Contribution Supports Student Success at Findley Elementary
Iowa Student Loan Contributes \$10,000 to I Have a Dream Foundation

WEST DES MOINES, IOWA (*June 7, 2018*) — Iowa Student Loan recently provided a \$10,000 contribution to the Des Moines I Have a Dream Foundation.

As a reflection of Iowa Student Loan’s mission to help Iowa families find the resources necessary to succeed in postsecondary education, the contribution will be used to fund general programming and make contributions to students’ college savings accounts.

The Des Moines I Have a Dream Foundation motivates and empowers students from low-income communities to reach their education and career goals by providing long-term programming, mentoring, tutoring and enrichment, as well as tuition assistance. Established in 1990, the Des Moines I Have a Dream Foundation now serves each student at Findley Elementary and is expanding into Harding Middle and North High School.

"We are thankful for the continued support of Iowa Student Loan," said Emily Westergaard, chief executive officer for the Des Moines I Have a Dream Foundation. "Through partnerships like this one we are able to strengthen the educational outcomes for our more than 500 students in Des Moines."

Beyond the \$10,000 contribution, Iowa Student Loan also provides annual programming to Dreamer families regarding how to plan and pay for college.

"Being involved in this partnership really means we’re fulfilling our mission to ensure every Iowa family has access to the resources they need to go to and be successful in college," said Christine Hensley, Iowa Student Loan board chair. "This program shows students and families who might otherwise not have considered college a possibility that it can be a reality."

Learn more about [the Des Moines I Have a Dream Foundation](#).

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Photo, courtesy of Iowa Student Loan:

Christine Hensley, Iowa Student Loan board chair, presents Dreamer staff and students with a \$10,000 contribution for program support and college savings deposits.

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About Iowa Student Loan

Established in 1979 as a private, nonprofit organization, Iowa Student Loan helps Iowa students and families obtain the resources necessary to succeed in postsecondary education. Iowa Student Loan has helped more than 392,500 students pay for college. The organization, based in West Des Moines, Iowa, also provides an array of borrower benefits, financial literacy tools and community reinvestment programs, including support for free college planning services for students and their families. For more information about Iowa Student Loan, visit www.iowaStudentLoan.org.

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