



## Congratulations!

### 2024-25 Education Grant Winners



"The Firstmark Foundation is proud to announce the 2024-25 Education Grant recipients and award each winner the sum of \$1,000 to go toward their project idea. We are excited to see their ideas come to life to support their students and school districts. Congratulations!"

*Marisa Pérez-Díaz, Executive Director/Firstmark Foundation*

**Alisha Stults**  
New Braunfels ISD  
Memorial Elementary School

**Amanda Combs**  
Northside ISD  
Kallison Elementary School

**Andrea Colwell**  
Northside ISD  
Scobee Elementary School

**Angela López García**  
Alamo Heights ISD  
Alamo Heights High School

**Angelena Watkins**  
Judson ISD  
Judson Middle School STEM

**Anna Sexton**  
Southwest ISD  
McNair Middle School

**Bettina Bonsu**  
Public Charter School  
George Gervin Academy

**Bonnie L. Garza**  
Medina Valley ISD  
LaCoste Elementary School

**Brandy González-Kee**  
Northside ISD  
Clark High School

**Darla White**  
Northside ISD  
Zachry Middle School

**Dr. James Hernandez**  
Harlandale ISD  
Terrell Wells Middle School

**Eliza Vela**  
San Antonio ISD  
Longfellow Middle School

**Karen Wilcox**  
North East ISD  
Northwood Elementary School

**Leticia McNabb**  
Northside ISD  
Villarreal Elementary School

**Melinda Valdez**  
Northside ISD  
Beard Elementary School

**Natalie Stuart**  
Northside ISD  
Mead Elementary School

**Samantha Santos**  
North East ISD  
Colonial Hills Elementary

**Sarah Lankford**  
Northside ISD  
Vale Middle School

**Shirley G. Tucker**  
La Vernia ISD  
La Vernia Intermediate School

**Valerie Valencia**  
Compass Rose Public Schools  
Insenuity Elementary School

# Turkeys for Teachers



**We had a blast passing out turkeys, goodie bags, and more, to 1,000 educators at our fifth annual Turkeys for Teachers!**

During the event, educators and their families got to enjoy live performances from local school bands and tons of volunteers showing them appreciation for all they do. The turkeys were provided by Firstmark, The Lonnie Walker IV Foundation graciously contributed all the side dishes, and the San Antonio Spurs gave ticket deals for teachers to attend future NBA games. Huge shoutout to our partners, The Lonnie Walker IV Foundation, Spurs Sports & Entertainment, San Antonio ZOO, and HUB Investment Partners (HUB) for all their contributions!

Teachers give so much time and effort to enrich the lives of students abound, and this is just one way we can show our appreciation. We already can't wait for next November!







## Educator of the Month

October



**Elyssa Fields**  
Northside ISD  
Langley Elementary

November



**Brittany Mapel**  
Northside ISD  
Folks Middle School

December



**Ansley Harris**  
North East ISD  
Roosevelt High School



## Teacher of the Game



**Jennifer Grimes**  
Northside ISD  
Valley Hi Elementary



**Katya Solis**  
KIPP Texas Public Schools  
KIPP Camino Academy



**Miguel Hernandez**  
San Antonio ISD  
S.J. Davis Middle School



**Gabriela Rodriguez**  
Comal ISD  
Bill Brown Elementary School

These contributions would not be possible without Firstmark's Power of the Dollar® members, who continue to provide a stream of resources to fund important initiatives that help create sustainability within the education system. Through the Firstmark Foundation, we will continue to make a tangible, positive impact in the education community through the collective giving of the credit union's membership.



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