

# Why I GIVE

## GIPS FOUNDATION | Staff Campaign

We're kicking off the **2025 Staff Giving Campaign**. Your passion lies in empowering students to achieve their dreams. The GIPS Foundation fuels that passion, providing scholarships, funding innovative classroom projects, and creating lasting legacies for generations of learners.

### Why Give?

Witnessing the GIPS Foundation's impact on countless students and dedicated staff has truly touched our hearts. We are filled with gratitude for the opportunities our family received through the Foundation, and we feel compelled to ensure those same opportunities for future generations. Therefore, we are pleased to pledge \$5,000 as a matching gift, hoping to ignite a spark of generosity and support for the Foundation. - Joel & Terry Wiegand

### Together, We Can Make a Difference

The GIPS team – educators, custodians, paras, secretaries, counselors, administrators, social workers, nutrition services personnel, maintenance personnel, nurses, and specialists – forms a powerful force. Together they dedicated themselves to shaping the lives of nearly 10,000 students.

### Your Impact Matters

You are the heart of this campaign. Your generosity empowers the Foundation to:

- Fuel dreams and aspirations
- Ignite a passion for making a difference
- Provide a future where every student thrives

Since 2004, GIPS staff have invested over \$1.6 million in student futures. For **every dollar you contribute, the Foundation multiplies its impact**, generating an additional \$16 in benefits for our students.

### The Wiegand Challenge

Joel, a long-time CPA in Grand Island, and Terry, a retired GIPS Elementary teacher, have a deep history with the school district. Their involvement, spanning decades, includes supporting the GIPS Foundation through scholarships and staff campaigns, driven by their appreciation for the excellent education their sons received. Their challenge gift will match your new or increased contributions, dollar for dollar, up to a total of \$5,000.



### Show Your GIPS Pride and GIPS Foundation Support

Donate **\$84** or more (just \$7 per month) and receive an exclusive GIPS Foundation long-sleeved t-shirt.

### Let's make 2025 the most empowering year yet!

Every gift, big or small, will have a powerful impact on the lives of our students! We appreciate your support!

Beth Schott & Michelle Thorne - Elementary School Co-Chairs  
Gina Harpham, Jacqueline Proctor & Jacob Morrow - Middle School Co-Chairs  
Matthew Kosch & Julie Markvicka - Senior High Co-Chairs