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TEACHERS RECEIVE SCHOOL GRANTS FROM TRUCKER BUDDY AND TRIMBLE

Trucker Buddy International and Trimble are pleased to announce that 19 classes have each been granted $500 for school supplies and equipment needs as part of the School Supply Grant Program. The program started in the Fall of 2014, where teachers completed an application to qualify for grant consideration. Schools were evaluated based on funding needs, as well as the level of creativity in how applicants would use the funds.

Open to current Trucker Buddies and their Trucker Buddy classes, some teachers use the grant application for class projects to enable students to be involved in the process. This became not only a request for funds but also a learning experience for the students.

“Trimble is proud to continue supporting the Trucker Buddy scholarship program,” said Rick Ochsendorf, General Manager – North America for Trimble’s Transportation division. “Through these grants, students will be able to further their education and learn more about the importance of the transportation industry.”

“Trucker Buddy, with the funding from Trimble, is thrilled to offer these grants to these deserving schools. Many teachers and drivers donate not only their time but also their own funds to help their classrooms so this is a great opportunity to help their community,” said Alan Welborn, Executive Director.
Trucker Buddy International

Trucker Buddy International, an independent, non-profit 501(c) (3) organization, often called the number one trucking image campaign in North America, has helped educate schoolchildren and introduce educators to the trucking industry. This gives them the world through the eyes of a professional truck driver. The Trucker Buddy program helps to educate and mentor schoolchildren via a pen pal relationship between professional truck drivers and children in grades K-8 as supervised by their teachers.

After an extensive screening process, the professional truck drivers are matched with a class and as directed by the teacher, drivers share news about their travels with their class. Students write letters and send pictures to their drivers. Students’ skills in reading, writing, geography, mathematics, social studies, and history are enhanced and learning is made fun.

Since 1992, Trucker Buddy International has helped educate over a million schoolchildren and introduced them to caring, compassionate men and women, professional truck drivers. The on-going success of the program is due to driver volunteers, participating teachers and the contributions of sponsors. There is no cost to the drivers or teachers to participate in the program. The Trucker Buddy program is funded entirely by sponsorships and donations. If you would like to make a donation, click here.

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