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AT&T Foundation Awards \$20,000 Grant to Parkview Elementary To Expand the Use of Technology to Support Educational Goals

Baton Rouge, LA – On Friday, February 20, the AT&T Foundation, the corporate philanthropy arm of AT&T Inc. (NYSE:T), will award the first installment of a \$20,000 grant to Parkview Elementary School to support the expansion of technology throughout the curriculum. A check presentation will be made to the school at 8:30 a.m. Friday on campus. The key goals include transforming teaching methods and techniques through the effective use of technology, to improve student learning and achievement and to prepare students for life and work in a technology dependent world.

“The AT&T Foundation has a strong record of supporting initiatives and projects that enhance the education of our children,” said William A. Oliver, president of AT&T Louisiana. “I am proud we are able to support the great work already underway at Parkview Elementary School to help our children succeed in school. Investing in a well-educated workforce may be the single most important thing we can do to help America remain the leader in a digital, global economy.”

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The project is designed to address the lack of up-to-date technology at Parkview Elementary School and to provide the training and support needed to utilize the technology. **The grant will enable the school to purchase equipment and materials, including a digital camera, photo printer, multimedia projector, document camera and four computers.**

“This project will likely result in transforming teaching methods and practices as well as improving student performance,” said **Principal Norma Church of Parkview Elementary School**. “As the teacher expands the use of technology throughout the curriculum, the students will be actively engaged in inquiry-based and project-based activities and projects. This teaching style will afford the students numerous opportunities to analyze information, compare data and demonstrate an understanding of the materials.”

For more information, call AT&T’s Hood Harris at (205) 215-5520 or Church at the school, (225) 753-5615. The school is located at 5660 Park Forest.

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