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To: All Program Staff
 From: Dr. Lisa Hagel, Superintendent
 Date: June 17, 2019
 Re: Day of Giving Fridays

First and foremost, I want to say **Thank You** to all of you for your caring efforts in creating a warm and wonderful place to work. As we continue to work through the Orange Frog/Happiness Advantage sessions and share our learning in the big read through the Big Potential book, the experience helps us all. We have shared the Happiness Advantage training with 2,400 people so far and have many future trainings ahead.

This past year we tried our “Day of Giving Fridays” and this went very well. Through your participation in the Day of Giving, OUR COMMUNITY WAS GREATLY IMPACTED ON MAY 31, 2019 THROUGH 28 PROJECTS - 7,530 INTENTIONAL ACTS OF KINDNESS WERE COMMITTED!!

This year on the SECOND and FOURTH Friday of each month through the year (or the SECOND and FOURTH Thursday during the summer or those on balanced calendar), we will welcome you to wear blue jeans, but ask for a \$2.00 contribution to the “Day of Giving Fund.” All staff, except administrators, are welcome to wear blue jeans to work (without holes, tears, or shredding) as long as they do not have a professional commitment or training out of the GISD programs or district they are serving.

The “Day of Giving Fridays” are intended to honor your requests for casual dress and raise funds for our 1,900 Acts of Kindness on behalf of our 1,900 employees. Your contributions create a day where the gestures and acts of kindness truly come from all of us.

As we provide this opportunity to give back, it is advised that no flip-flops or t-shirts are to be worn. Additionally, we encourage an **orange or GISD** shirt be worn with your denim as a symbol of pride and happiness for the organization. Our goal is to maintain a quality atmosphere that reflects the exemplary skills of our staff.

The “Day of Giving Fridays” will begin on Thursday, June 27, 2019. Each staff member can contribute \$2.00 and receive a ticket for their donation or pay for the entire year at one time. Additionally, payroll deduction can be used and additional donations can be made to the “Day of Giving Fund.” The payroll deduction will be available starting in July 2019. At the end of the calendar year, tax deduction forms will be distributed for each individual’s contributions to the “Day of Giving” that positively impact our community.

Future Day of Giving Dates:

June 27, 2019	September 26/27, 2019	January 9/10, 2020	April 9, 2020 (due to Good Friday on April 10, 2020)
July 11, 2019	October 10/11, 2019	January 24, 2020	April 23/24, 2020
July 25, 2019	October 24/25, 2019	February 13/14, 2020	May 7/8, 2020
August 8, 2019	November 7/8, 2019	February 27/28, 2020	May 21/22, 2020
August 22/23, 2019	November 21/22, 2019	March 13, 2020	June 11/12, 2020
September 12/13, 2019	December 13, 2019	March 26/27, 2020	

These special “Day of Giving Fridays” will not affect the designated casual days you already have in your buildings and programs. We all want this concept to be successful and help our organization, as well as our community.

Thank You for Your Spirit of Giving,

Dr. Lisa Hagel, Superintendent