

Roosevelt trio among those named for SONIC grants

Three Roosevelt teachers were among 10 Lubbock area teachers named to receive a prize from SONIC.

The honorees were:

- Kelcee Lewis at Roosevelt Elementary School for the project "Osmo Learning for Littles!"

- Lori Hoffman at Roosevelt Elementary School for the project "ABC and Number Fun with Osmos."

- Stephanie Johnson at Roosevelt Elementary School for the project "Backpacking for Safety!!"

SONIC Drive-In matched all donations to DonorsChoose on Teacher Appreciation Day, giving 10 teachers in Lubbock a total donation of \$778.

The awards were presented to honor teachers who have worked hard to meet students' distance learning needs during the COVID-19 outbreak that led to school closing with 45 days left in the year.

SONIC donated \$1 million through Limeades for Learning to public school teacher requests across the country on Teacher Appreciation Day, which was in May supporting their endeavors to

provide students with essential education resources.

In Lubbock, teachers in eight schools were among those whose projects received funding. In addition to the Roosevelt honorees, recipients were:

- Tessa Jenkins at Centennial Elementary School for the project "Help 4th Grade Wiggle While They Work"

- Tammy Smith at Hardwick Elementary School for the project "PE The Next Level"

- Amelia Ballejo at Harwell Elementary School for the project "Connecting at the Carpet"

- Amy Hancock at Honey Elementary School for the project "Play that Funky Music, Whiteboard!"

- Jennifer Garcia-Frazier at Lubbock Senior High School for the project "Digital Interactive Notebooks"

- Holly Reed at Stewart Elementary School for the project "Portable Lap Desks"

- Tamara Klotzman at Wester Elementary School for the project "NEW Dance Program!"

"Teachers across the country face new and complex

challenges to keep their students learning right now," said Christi Woodworth, Vice President for public relations for SONIC in a press release. "As we continue to celebrate teachers this Teacher Appreciation Month, we sincerely thank educators like those in Lubbock, who are creatively keeping their students learning even as schools are closed. With SONIC's \$1 million donation match we were able to help teachers obtain resources for their students and will continue to empower them throughout the year."

SONIC is committed to helping teachers all year long. Through Limeades for Learning, SONIC has donated \$16.6 million to public school teachers, helping more than 21,000 teachers and impacting more than 5.4 million students in public schools nationwide since 2009.

Visit LimeadesforLearning.com to learn about future funding opportunities and explore public school teacher requests in the community in need of support.