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Lincoln Park Public Schools receives Certificate of Recognition from American Red Cross

District acknowledged for hosting blood drives, donating 100 pints of blood and touching 288 lives

LINCOLN PARK, Mich. – The **American Red Cross** recently presented **Lincoln Park Public Schools** with a certificate of recognition for its efforts to host blood drives and recruit donors during the 2017-2018 school year. The district hosted four blood drives and donated 100 pints of blood, which will touch 288 lives. The district was also recognized for participating in the American Red Cross' high school scholarship program that awards \$500 scholarships to students.

"I want to thank the American Red Cross for including us in this extremely important pilot project to engage students in the blood donation process," said **Terry Dangerfield**, superintendent Lincoln Park Public Schools. "I am extremely proud of our students and staff members for stepping up and answering the American Red Cross' call for more blood donors. I was humbled to learn the donations we gathered were enough to touch the lives of nearly 300 people in need."

Lincoln Park is one of five metro school districts in southeast Michigan selected to participate in a pilot program aimed at involving high school students in the blood donation process. Other districts include Crestwood, Plymouth-Canton, Northville and Utica.

"Lincoln Park Public Schools was an amazing partner during the pilot year of this initiative," said **Dr. Leonard Rezmierski**, Chairman of the K-12 committee at the American Red Cross. "The dedication the students and staff showed by hosting four blood drives and collecting 100 pints of blood was remarkable. Lincoln Park had great success in this first year, and I look forward to watching its contribution and impact grow for years to come."

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