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Vermillion Public Schools Foundation honored

The Vermillion Public Schools Foundation was recently honored by Associated School Boards of South Dakota with the ASBSD Community Service Award for prioritizing initiatives that enrich and augment experiences of local public school students.

The Community Service Award is presented to individuals or groups serving their local school district in exemplary fashion.

Vermillion Public Schools Foundation has supported student trips, funded dual credit courses, administered the Angel Fund, which enables students to take part in extracurricular activities after school, and the Edith Siegrist fund, which supports library and music programs.

In addition, VPSF played an important role in publicly supporting a \$26 million dollar bond initiative to build a new elementary school, funded the remodel of teachers' lounge at the high school and provided Governor's Camp summer learning boxes for students, among many other projects.

"Vermillion Public Schools Foundation's work to enhance the experiences of public school students in their local district is a fantastic example of how community members can come together to make a positive difference in students' lives," ASBSD Executive Director Wade Pogany said.

"Their contribution to public education is more than worthy of celebrating and we're happy to do so."

ASBSD is a private, non-profit association representing more than 850 South Dakota school board members, the 149 school districts they govern and the students they serve. Our vision is leadership to achieve excellence for South Dakota public education through a mission of partnering, advocating and leading.