

Randolph Foundation awards first educational grant

“We are proud to be able to support Martens and her efforts at implementing innovative teaching methods specifically to assist students in the Therapeutic Learning Classroom,” said Rebecca Robateau, former school committee member and the other RFE co-director.

Robateau referred to the TLC program for students with emotional, behavioral and learning disabilities.

Martens will use the grant to purchase an iPad “to support students’ self-regulation skills,” she said in her grant proposal, and for books for her daily social skills classes.

“I use children’s literature to teach character traits, decision-making, problem-solving, coping skills and interpersonal skills,” Martens wrote.

The RFE provides private funding for Randolph public schools, gathering donations from local businesses.

“The Randolph Foundation follows a promising practice that has been used successfully in Sharon, Newton and Milton,” said Bruce Pontbriand, an RFE board member and former school committee member. “I’m excited that Randolph is beginning this community-based initiative to help fund the teachers in our schools.”



Randolph Foundation for Education Co-directors Rebecca Robateau (left) and Judy Conway (right) award RFE’s first educational grant to Lyons School teacher Dawn Martens. [Photo by Jesse Gordon]

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