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Thompson School District Instruments to Get Some TLC

LOVELAND, CO. – Thompson Education Foundation, the Chokecherry Fund and Thompson School District are partnering to make sure that school district-owned instruments are in good, playable condition for students.

Recognizing a need for repair and maintenance of district-owned instruments, the Chokecherry Fund established a challenge gift with Thompson Education Foundation to ensure district instruments are in good playable condition, increasing access for all students interested in pursuing instrumental music. Rising to the challenge, Thompson School District's Curriculum and Instruction department identified \$33,000, equal funding, from the 2012-2013 Instructional Materials budget to be used for instrument repair. Director of Curriculum and Instruction Diane Lauer said "Our last comprehensive music adoption was in 2007. We anticipate funding another music curriculum adoption in 2015. This is an excellent mid-cycle opportunity to support our music program. "

From tone bars to tubas, orchestra and band instruments owned by the district will be assessed for their repair needs. Repairs can range from a new set of key pads to orchestra bow re-hair to replacing broken cello bridges. The traveling elementary school keyboard lab, used yearly by each school, will get some much needed attention as well.

Interested in supporting instrumental music maintenance in Thompson School District? Contact Thompson Education Foundation at 970-613-5074 or www.thetef.org for information about this important and ongoing project.

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