## BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING APRIL 13, 2021 Spirit of Excellence RECOGNITION

Good evening and welcome to our **Spirit of Excellence Award** segment. This is a time where we recognize outstanding staff and students who are truly making an impact.

Tonight, we are excited to honor Collegiate School of Medicine and Bioscience on winning the top prize of \$10,000 in World Wide Technology's annual Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Student Forum Hackathon.

This year's Hackathon challenge was to design a program to help students through the lack of social interaction during a pandemic.

The funds will be used to support the development and implementation of Collegiate's winning concept, a Microsoft Teams widget called "Recess."

Also of note, the District's Metro A&C High School received 4<sup>th</sup> place behind 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher John Burroughs and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher Lindbergh High.

Congratulations again to the Collegiate students, their families, school leadership and AP computer science teacher Alex Schenk. This is the second team he has led to a top finish in the Hackathon. Collegiate's first win was in 2018.

Thanks also to World Wide Technology for their support of STEM education and for creating such a special opportunity for our students!

THIS CONCLUDES OUR SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM.