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**APPLE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION EDUCATION FOUNDATION CONTINUES EFFORTS TO SUPPORT INNOVATION IN THE CLASSROOM WITH \$10,000 GRANT PROGRAM AWARD**

**FAIRFAX, Va., March 12, 2009**—Keeping learning interesting is the challenge of every hardworking educator. Each year, students grow savvier and more sophisticated, and remaining on top of the most effective ways to convey the basics to each class requires innovation. Apple Federal Credit Union’s Education Foundation understands the need to remain on the cutting edge of teaching tactics, and regularly supports organizations, such as the non-profit Loudoun Education Foundation (LEF), with generous funding grants.

On February 25, 2009, the LEF received a grant of \$10,000 to help fund the group’s Teacher Grant Program. Since 1991, more than \$100,000 in grants has been funded through LEF, leading to enhanced educational experiences by public school students within Loudoun County, Virginia. In 2008 alone, more than \$20,000 in grant money was awarded to 29 schools within the coverage area.



**Award presentation ceremony. (L to R) Mike Engley, Executive Director, Apple FCU Education Foundation; Dawn Meyer, Executive Director of Loudoun Education Foundation; Paul Lin, President of Loudoun Education Foundation.**

“I am very excited that Apple Federal Credit Union Education Foundation has partnered with the Loudoun Education Foundation to help the teachers and students in Loudoun County public schools,” says Dawn Meyer, executive director of LEF. “This is a generous amount of money that could not come at a better time considering what is going on with the school budget.”

Established in 2006, the Apple FCU Education Foundation was endowed with a singular purpose, to support the continuation of quality education in Northern Virginia. In 2008, the Foundation kept this promise by offering up nearly \$200,000 in scholarships and grants to area youth, educators and organizations supporting Northern Virginia’s next steps in education.

To learn more about the Apple FCU Education Foundation and its *Better Grade of Giving* on behalf of the Credit Union’s philanthropic sensibilities, visit [AFCUFoundation.org](http://AFCUFoundation.org). For more information on Apple Federal Credit Union and its products and services, call 703-788-4800, or visit [AppleFCU.org](http://AppleFCU.org).

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