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Immediate Release

## PARAMOUNT SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE RECEIVES GRANT FROM INDIANAPOLIS ROTARY FOUNDATION

Indianapolis, IN (December 6, 2017) – Paramount School of Excellence is pleased to announce it has received a \$25,000 grant from the Indianapolis Rotary Foundation. These funds will be used to expand the school's E-STEM (environmental, science, technology, engineering and math) offerings for its 725 students.



"We are thrilled to partner with the Rotary Club of Indianapolis to realize our vision of a school-based Eco Discovery Center" said Executive Director Tommy Reddicks. "Rotary's generous support will create a unique learning space where students can participate in a captivating, inquiry-based environmental and life science experience."

The rooftop addition will provide a year-round area for students to study micro-habitats, grow plants, and observe wildlife. Paramount will utilize the Eco

Center in the summer months for its eight-week academic enrichment STEAM (Success Through Education, Agriculture and Mentoring) initiative and throughout the school year for classes and after-school programs.

The Indianapolis Rotary Foundation awards annual Community Grants through a competitive application and review process. The Indianapolis Rotary Foundation is a private, stand-alone corporation that serves as the primary community charitable arm of the Rotary Club of Indianapolis. The Rotary Club of Indianapolis joins leaders to take action and improve the Indianapolis community. Visit <u>www.indyrotary.org</u> for more information.

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## **Paramount School of Excellence**

Paramount School of Excellence's mission is to inspire learning through an unparalleled academic approach and transform communities by changing lives. Located in Indianapolis's near eastside, Paramount Brookside is a Four-Star School that exists to educate K-8 students in an innovative environment that instills high expectations for success. Paramount accomplishes its mission through an emphasis on rigorous academics, technology and the environment. www.paramountindy.org