Grants help children from 12 schools visit Lincoln library

Winnick Field Trip Initiative helps low-income children explore Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS – January 26, 2015 – More than 800 children from Illinois and Indiana will get to visit the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, the nation’s premier institution dedicated to the 16th president, as the result of generous contributions by the Winnick Family Foundation.

The Winnick Field Trip Initiative supports the transportation costs of visiting the presidential museum for schools with limited resources. To qualify, the schools must have a low-income enrollment of greater than 30 percent.

“For the last six years, the Winnick Field Trip Initiative has helped ensure that young people from underserved areas can be introduced to and empowered by Lincoln’s remarkable life and accomplishments” said Carla Knorowski, chief executive officer of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library Foundation. “We appreciate the Winnick Family Foundation’s important investment in sharing Lincoln’s legacy with new generations.”

The students who get to visit can be anywhere from 4th grade to 12th.

The schools receiving support through the Winnick Field Trip Initiative are:

- Champaign, Ill.: Westview Elementary School
- Dupo, Ill.: Bluffview Elementary School
- East Chicago, Ind.: East Chicago Central High School
- Elgin, Ill.: Channing Memorial Middle School
- Galatia, Ill.: Galatia Elementary School
- Hardin, Ill.: Calhoun Elementary
- Lincoln, Ill.: Northwest Elementary School
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