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Students jump for joy as Ed Foundation receives huge donation



Orion Jones (left) from Juan Cabrillo Elementary School and Oceane Jones from Malibu High School.
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The Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation received \$658,805 in donations as part of its back-to-school giving campaign. The campaign was, in part, due to a match donation of \$50,000 from Santa Monica Place and Kaiser Permanente, each donating \$25,000.

The funds will go toward arts programs, instructional assistants and stretch grants in the SMMUSD schools next year, according to a statement released from the foundation.

“Thank you to Santa Monica Place and Kaiser Permanente for their inspiring leadership, to our Flash Match donors for their commitment to our students and to each donor for

their dedication to excellent programs for all SMMUSD students,” Linda Greenberg, executive director of the foundation, said.

On the last day of the fundraiser, the foundation received \$157,598—a new record for community donations in a single day.