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**Inspirus Credit Union to celebrate Lynnwood Grand Opening
with more than \$35,000 in donations to local schools**

LYNNWOOD, WASH. – Inspirus, a statewide education-affiliated credit union, will celebrate its Grand Opening in Lynnwood at 3405 188th St. S.W., one block southwest of Alderwood Mall. This is the credit union’s first expansion beyond Seattle and Spokane.

Events kick off Monday, Oct. 10, at 3 p.m. with check presentations to area schools and appetizers catered by Seattle’s nonprofit FareStart. Award recipients include [Edmonds School District’s Career and Technical Education](#) program (\$1,000) and Northshore School District (\$1,500). Individual K-12 schools received “mini-grants” of \$300 to more than \$3,000 as part of a one-day “flash-fund” of teachers’ classroom supply requests on DonorsChoose.org. Those donations will total more than \$35,000.

All week long, guests can stop by to visit the Inspirus Community Wall, a quarterly tribute honoring a local education success story. Currently, it features Edmonds School District’s Career and Technical Education program. Guests can get their pictures taken at a photo booth, create artwork to be displayed in the lobby, and take home carving pumpkins.

On Saturday, Oct. 15, at 10 a.m., all Inspirus locations will host a free [Community Shred Day](#), where anyone can bring up to two bankers’ boxes full of unneeded private documents for safe disposal.

Since expanding eligibility last year to all Washingtonians who share a passion for education, the credit union (formerly School Employees Credit Union of Washington) has grown significantly, and it plans to open additional branches in 2017. It offers savings and checking accounts, certificates of deposit, loans, and mortgage products to consumers as well as limited business products. It enables members to “do good and do well” by providing consistently superior rates and dividends while donating a portion of net income to benefit Washington schools.

About Inspirus Credit Union

Founded in 1936 by a Seattle math and journalism teacher, Inspirus serves 80,000 members across Washington who share a passion for education. With \$1.1 billion in assets, Inspirus operates branches in Seattle, Spokane, and Lynnwood. Its philanthropy model includes education-giveback programs that allow members to direct charitable contributions to schools in their communities. Inspirus employees donate upwards of 1,000 volunteer hours each year in support of education. For more information, visit inspirusCU.org.

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