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### **Polar Communications Awards \$5,000 in Grants to Area Schools**

**Park River, ND – January 17, 2017** – Polar Communications recently announced they have awarded four schools in their service territory a total of \$5,000 in Polar Technology Grants. Polar’s Technology Grant provides funding for PK-12 schools enabling the purchase of hardware, software, contracted services and other technologies that target student achievement through technology integration. Applicants were required to submit their proposals including an overview of their project abstract, goals, narrative, and budget information. Accredited PK-12 schools in Polar’s service territory were eligible to apply. Polar Communications awards up to \$5000 per year with each grant not to exceed \$2500.

Schools winning the 2016-17 Polar Technology Grants were the following:

**Drayton Public School – “LEGO Robotics” - \$1800**

**Fordville-Lankin Public School – “Applying Robotics to Promote Learning in Elementary” - \$1500**

**Northern Cass Public School – “Learning with LittleBits” - \$1200**

**St. Thomas Public School – “If These Walls Could Talk...A Small Scale Production” - \$500**

This is the 9<sup>th</sup> year that Polar has provided this grant to schools they serve, totaling over \$40,000 given to enhance technology in the classroom. Polar is proud to invest in our schools and the community providing value for the future.



*L to R: Polar Board Member Beverly Jensen and Drayton School Superintendent Dean Ralston*



*L to R: Fordville-Lankin Superintendent Michael O'Brien, Fordville-Lankin Elementary Students and Polar Board Member Jon McMillan*



*L to R: Northern Cass Teachers Amber Eller and Jessica Stoen, Polar CEO Karl Blake, Northern Cass Teacher Kelsey Fercho and Northern Cass Superintendent Dr. Cory Steiner*



*L to R: St. Thomas Teacher Kevin Beaudoin, St. Thomas Elementary Principal Jim Hanson and Polar Board Member Amber Meyer.*