

# MARQUETTE BANK

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## **Marquette Bank's Adopt-a-Classroom Contest Helps Local Schools**

*Neighborhood bank gives gift cards to teachers for classroom supplies.*

Orland Park, IL (September 25, 2009) – To celebrate the start of the school year, Marquette Bank, a locally-owned neighborhood bank, sponsored an Adopt-a-Classroom prize drawing. Customers, neighbors and teachers were able to enter the drawing at any of the Marquette Bank locations. Participants entered for the chance to win \$250 in gift cards to benefit a local K-12 classroom of their choice.

A winner was chosen at random from the entries at each branch and two winners were selected from Bank employee submissions. In total, twenty-six prizes were awarded to classrooms throughout the Chicagoland area. Employees from the Bank then visited the classrooms to present the teacher and class with their prize money. From art supplies to field trips and books to educational games, each teacher from the winning classroom was able to choose how the money was spent.

“The Bank has always worked in partnership with local schools to support education” said Betty Kosky-Harn, Executive Vice President. “Our Adopt-a-Classroom contest was a fun way to support teachers and students; and to create some excitement with our customers, neighbors and employees.”

Marquette Bank would like to recognize the following winning teachers and classes of the Adopt-a-Classroom prize drawing:

- Ms. Parise’s 4<sup>th</sup> grade class at Columbia Explorer Academy (Chicago)
- Ms. Metzger’s 5<sup>th</sup> grade class at Christ Our Savior (Calumet City)
- Ms. Brown’s class at The Academy of St. Benedict the African (Chicago)
- MSgt. Rich Burt’s class at Bolingbrook High School (Bolingbrook)
- Ms. Meroz’s 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class at Georgetown Elementary (Aurora)
- Ms. Grandberry’s 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class at Haines Elementary (Chicago)
- Ms. Grueneberg’s class at Carl Sandburg High School (Orland Park)
- Mrs. O’Malley’s 5<sup>th</sup> grade class at St. Agatha Catholic Academy (Chicago)
- Mrs. Dunn-Brandt’s 6<sup>th</sup> grade class at Brooks Middle School (Bolingbrook)
- Ms. Manzke’s 1<sup>st</sup> grade class at St. Gall School (Chicago)
- Ms. Bielecki’s 4<sup>th</sup> grade class at Mt. Greenwood School (Chicago)
- Ms. Brown’s 4<sup>th</sup> grade class at Nativity B.V.M (Chicago)
- Mrs. Boyce’s 5<sup>th</sup> grade class at Central School (Lemont)
- Ms. Kennedy’s 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class at Glen Oaks Elementary (Hickory Hills)
- Ms. Alducin’s 4<sup>th</sup> grade class at Daley Elementary Academy (Chicago)
- Mrs. Thomas’s 4<sup>th</sup> grade class at Daniel Zizumbo Charter School (Chicago)
- Ms. Washington’s 5<sup>th</sup> grade class at Carroll School (Chicago)
- Mrs. Prindle’s 1<sup>st</sup> grade class at Morton Gingerwood School (Oak Forest)
- Ma. Mann’s 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class at Otis P. Graves Elementary School (Summit)

- Ms. Smigielski's 7<sup>th</sup> grade class at St. Turbius (Chicago)
- Mr. Obradovich's class at Century Jr. High (Orland Park)
- Mrs. Tivesdale's 1<sup>st</sup> grade class at Grand Prairie (Frankfort)
- Mrs. Berryman's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class at St. Nicholas of Tollentine School (Chicago)
- Ms. Espnoza's 6<sup>th</sup> grade class at Nelson Ridge (New Lenox)
- Ms. Slonskis's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class at St. Gerald School (Oak Lawn)
- Ms. Carino's class at Lincoln Way High School (Frankfort).

The Marquette Bank Adopt-a-Classroom prize drawing was part of the Marquette Neighborhood Commitment where each quarter the Bank focuses on a different area of need – shelter, hunger, education and health/well-being. Other education activities this quarter included: Marquette Bank Education Foundation Scholarship Program awarding scholarships to over 50 graduating high schools seniors and the Neighborhood School Supply Drive benefiting eighteen local schools and organizations. For more information about Marquette Bank and its Neighborhood Commitment, call 1-888-254-9500 or visit [www.emarquettebank.com](http://www.emarquettebank.com).



**Photo Caption:** Marquette Bank employees Andy Pacocha (far left) and Patricia Villarreal (far right) pose with Ms. Parise's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class at Columbia Explorer Academy in Chicago.



**Photo Caption:** Ms. Bielecki's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class at Mt. Greenwood School in Chicago was the winner from Marquette Bank's Evergreen Park branch.



**Photo Caption:** 1<sup>st</sup> graders at Morton Gingerwood School pose with their teacher, Mrs. Prindle, winner of Marquette Bank's Adopt-a-Classroom prize drawing in Oak Forest.

***About Marquette Bank:***

Marquette National Corporation is a \$1.6 billion diversified financial holding company for Marquette Bank. Marquette Bank has been a locally-operated bank providing personalized banking service since 1945. Marquette Bank is a full-service, customer-focused neighborhood bank that serves the financial needs of Chicagoland communities, offering an extensive line of financial products including retail banking, mortgages, trust and business banking, free Online Bill Pay and free Automated Telephone Banking. Marquette Bank's retail branches are located in Chicago, Aurora, Bolingbrook, Bridgeview, Evergreen Park, Hickory Hills, Lemont, New Lenox, Oak Lawn, Oak Forest, Orland Park, Romeoville and Summit, Illinois. Marquette Bank customers have convenient free access to almost 40,000 Allpoint and Starsf ATMs.

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