Freeport LNG donates \$18,000 for Angleton High School calculators

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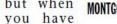
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ANGLETON — Angleton High School math students calculator will have the necessary by itself is tools to help them navigate not very through their Algebra prob- expensive, lems thanks to contribu- but when tions from Freeport LNG.

provide new equipment begins to be quite a bit of for its math department, money," Superintendent Angleton High Math Freeport LNG donated close Pat Montgomery said. to \$18,000 to purchase

calculators cost about \$90 each.

"One



To help the high school several hundred, then it the department's severe

Students will be able Linda Jo Huff said. During 200 TI 83 Plus calculators to use them for the for the high school. The STAAR Algebra I test, as

well as in the classroom, Montgomery said.

"Our students having access to the latest technology will surely benefit them on the state assessment and on the work they do every single day in school," Montgomery said.

The need stemmed from shortage of calculators, Department chairwoman

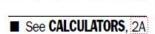




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Angleton High School staff members hold up test-quality calculators bought with money donated by Freeport LNG.

Calculators

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STAAR testing in the spring, only 300 calculators were available for the 500 Montgomery said. students who took the test.

borrowed the necessary machines from the science educators who work so department and Angleton hard to provide a quality Junior High.

Freeport LNG, expressing Mazurkiewicz, Freeport the district's need for test- LNG director of commuquality calculators.

While some school districts are applying for make a big difference in the grants to pay for electronic devices, including laptop computers and tablets, the TI 83 Plus calculator is a tion of Freeport LNG, necessary piece of technology in the classroom, Montgomery said.

lators available for the from another area in need, students, the donation she said. will help the high school not only have one for each in our budget, and so it kid, but to have extras, the would mean that some superintendent said.

a sense of comfort when she learned of Freeport LNG's donation.

"There was a certain amount of relief that we weren't going to have to for The Facts. Contact him at worry about how we were 979-237-0155.

going to ensure that our kids have the technology that they need," she said.

The purchase of the calculators will benefit more than just students,

"Freeport LNG strongly Department officials believes in supporting our local students and the educational experience Huff approached for them," said Wendy nity affairs.

> "These calculators will district's ability to achieve that," Mazurkiewicz said.

If not for the contribudistrict officials would have had to look elsewhere for the funds to buy the equip-With only 346 calcu- ment, possibly taking it

"We don't have any froth other need was not going Montgomery said she felt to be met," Montgomery said.

> "Their donation goes far beyond the calculators."

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