

**Richard Freund**  
**2003 Friend of Education**

As one of the first mentors with the Partners in Learning (PaLs) Program at the Beaver Dam Unified School District, Richard Freund has helped many students find success in school. Freund has also provided small scholarships for students to pursue further education at a college or technical school.

Although Freund is no longer able to serve students through the PaLs program, he still supports them in different ways. He sends notes, brings books to students, and takes a personal interest in supporting students' interests and goals. For example, a middle school student expressed interest in someday becoming a veterinarian. Freund sent her books about animals and cards telling her she can reach her goal if she studies hard.