



Robin Ball of U.S. Cellular celebrates with Linda Bangs' Capri Street School class. Bangs had her request for a set of guided reading books fulfilled by U.S. Cellular's Calling All Teachers Campaign.

## Bangor-area schools share \$1M U.S. Cellular donation

BANGOR — U.S. Cellular associates from the Bangor area visited Capri Street School and Bangor High School to celebrate the share of more than \$1 million in classroom funding that Linda Bangs and Geoffrey Wingard received from the wireless company's 2009 Calling All Teachers campaign.

Teachers across the country submitted projects through the Calling All Teachers campaign — everything from textbooks and pencils to projectors and easels to help enrich learning experiences for students.

During the campaign Bangs and Wingard submitted a request for classroom supplies to

DonorsChoose.org, a nonprofit Web site that links donors with educators facing shrinking budgets. Also receiving grants were schools in Eddington, Holden, Hampden and Bucksport. When U.S. Cellular launched the campaign three weeks ago it planned to fund \$1 million worth of teacher requests through DonorsChoose.org, but the response from teachers was beyond expectations. The Web site received more than 2,000 submissions in the markets where U.S. Cellular does business.

"The response to this campaign from teachers across our

footprint was so incredible that we couldn't imagine leaving any of their classroom projects unfunded," said Eric Conlon, director of sales for U.S. Cellular in New England. "Our teachers go above and beyond for their students every day. So we decided to go above our original million-dollar budget to support all of them."

Earlier this year U.S. Cellular awarded \$1 million to 10 schools across the country through its Calling All Communities campaign.

For more information about Calling All Teachers, visit [uscellular.com/callingallteachers](http://uscellular.com/callingallteachers) or a local U.S. Cellular store.

