



Mentor Appreciation Luncheon

SEEDLING FOUNDATION

May 20th was a special day for Seedling Foundation, as we had the honor and privilege of recognizing our wonderful volunteers at our 11th Annual Mentor Appreciation Luncheon. Robert Maxwell, KXAN Investigative Reporter, began our celebration as our guest emcee by acknowledging the dedication and passion of our Seedling Board and Staff and the overwhelming generosity of our donors and partners. Mr. Leroy Nellis, a longtime Seedling supporter, Board member, and community advocate for mentoring, received the Angels & Advocates award for his inspired dedication to raising awareness and volunteer interest in Seedling and our Mentor Program.

As a wonderful example of how mentoring has the amazing ability to change not one life but two, our keynote speakers, mentor Tucker Furlow and his mentee Kevin Rogel shared the story of their mentoring journey. Commitment, perseverance and the ability to focus on strengths were qualities this pair attributed to their success. These assets are inherent in all of our Seedling mentors, as evidenced by the amazingly high number of them who return each year to serve. It's no secret why we do this work! Each mentee holds a special place in their mentor's heart. Thank you to all of our mentors; you have made it possible for over 600 children to experience a caring relationship with a Seedling mentor this year.