

Spring 2002 Grants

Handel's Messiah Christmas Program (\$1000)

Marie Palmer (ZUMS)

This grant purchased 200 copies of the music to Handel's Messiah to enable students to study baroque music, culminating in a concert December 6, 2002.

Multi-Sensory Success in the Language Arts Classroom (\$812)

Cathy Doerr, Susan Simpson, and Sarah Seligman (ZUMS)

This grant provided funding for the purchase of audio books for use in the Media Center by special needs learners.

Third Grade Book Club (\$748)

Jody Hobson (Eagle)

Award-winning literature and activity packets were purchased for use by the book club with funds from this grant. The book club met twice a month.

Reader's Workshop (\$1,000)

Jane Green (ZLMS)

The Reader's Workshop, which was help in conjunction with a writer's workshop, was funded by a grant to integrate reading and writing skills.

Non-fiction Science and Literacy Materials (\$1,000)

Kristen Williams (PVLE)

This grant provided books to all PVLE first-graders to enhance instructional reading on non-fiction science topics.

Author to "Author" (\$1,264)

Leanne Thacker and Sarah Seligman (ZUMC)

This grant enabled teachers to attend a workshop in Atlanta that helped them inspire students to study contemporary authors. The grant also purchased books and audiotapes for this program.

Save the Tortoises (\$1,790)

Emily Zucker and Megan Pfingsten (ZLMS, PVUE)

This grant enabled the teachers to travel to Florida for an Earth Watch expedition to study Gopher tortoises. They shared information learned with their students and through video, and the students participated in simulation activities and experiments.

We Aim to Have F.A.I.M. (Fun Adventures in Math) (\$715)

Jodi Hein (PVLE)

This grant allowed all second grade students at PVLE to participate in Math Pentathlon activities by providing materials and instructor training.

Building Blocks of Good Character (\$525)

Tonya Donnelly (PVLE)

This grant provided quality children's literature specifically designed to help develop positive personality traits to be studied. Topics included: responsibility, getting along with others, showing personal best and helping the environment.

Zionkids: Curriculum Development for Zion Nature Center (\$1,000)

Deb Ruckman (Eagle)

This grant brought together teachers from throughout the school system to collaborate and design curriculum that addressed Indiana standards in science and make resources available at the Zion Nature Center.

Eagle Book Club (\$960)

Deb Ruckman (Eagle)

Eagle fourth grade students had the opportunity to participate in an "Oprah"-style book club, using books selected for their high interest to students and their challenging content for discussion purposes.