

Spring 2009 Grant Awards

Wii Love to Learn! (\$388.96)

Jennife Davis (ZCHS)

This grant funded purchase of a Wii system and games for the Life Skills students which will aid them in improving social interactions, cognitive abilities, problem solving, physical fitness, gross and fine motor skill control, and eye-hand coordination.

Products to be Proud of (\$500)

Deb Krupowicz (PVE)

Students will learn to construct quality products for class projects systematically. They will be able to produce quality posters, dioramas, collages, mobiles, books, scripts, puppets, cartoons, games, and displays without the intensity of parent intervention.

Parent Resource Center (\$1586.41)

Cheri Mikesell (PVE)

This grant will provide families with games and hands-on-activities that support the practical math applications they have learned at school.

Using Books the WRITE Way! (\$1,243.25)

Kim Kasal and Tonya Taylor (Eagle)

This grant funded purchase of consumable novels that will allow students to highlight, underline, write in, and manipulate the text. This will improve their ability to independently use reading strategies and improve comprehension and challenge students to engage in higher order thinking skills.

Marvelous Math Meetings (\$1,180.57)

Kyla McDaniel (Stonegate)

Organized math learning centers and activities in a third grade math class allowing students an opportunity to review concepts from past units and to challenge those students who need higher level thinking, while the teacher gives more individualized instruction through small groups.

Increasing Time on Task & Building Core Strength (\$1,180)

Emily Duhn and Mary Jo Swenson (Stonegate)

Students will be provided exercise stability balls to sit on instead of chairs, which will increase attention and concentration by providing constant motor feedback to students while sitting in the classroom.

Lights!...Camera!...Flip!: Bringing the Flip Video Camera into the Classroom. (\$3,500)

Carrie Sanders (ZWMS)

This grant funded the purchase 30 video cameras, which will enable students to complete Web 2.0 learning projects that incorporate inquiry-based learning, sharing of information, and creativity.

Guided Reading Program (\$7,015.19)

Jodi Burns and Victoria Fouse (Union)

This grant funded the purchase of leveled books for use in small guided reading groups for all grade levels at Union.

Building a Library of Math Games and Resources (\$1,675.96)

Shannon Hall, Leslie Daugherty, Beth Knapik, Kristen Williams, Chris Anzeveno, Cathy Daugherty, Rene Frye (PVE)

This grant funded the purchase of math games and manipulatives for 1st graders to excite and engage them in the mathematics curriculum.

IPODS for Everything (\$7,353.00)

Jeremy Skura (ZMS)

This grant funded the purchase of 30 iPods for 5th graders that will allow them to download audio books, record literature circles, review Mighty Math facts, view podcasts in the form of interviews, reenactments, or oral histories, Google news to connect to current events, create digital projects, create and publish blogs or wikis on topics learned in class, narrate labs or experiments in science class, search the internet for additional information and pictures, and access weather and astrological information to help with two major units in this content area.

Lights, Camera, Action: Viewing the Hispanic World Through Cinema (\$974.20)

Lindsay Alessandrini and Laura Haehl (ZCHS)

This grant funded the purchase of 18 videos from seven different Spanish-speaking countries to enable Spanish students to see the grammar and vocabulary they learn in class used in a real-world setting.