2014
Instructional Mini Grant
Award Recipients

Wednesday, March 12, 2014
4:30 p.m.
Gildersleeve Middle School Auditorium

What are Mini Grants?
Instructional Mini Grants provide “seed money” for innovative, instructional projects within a school. The teacher may apply for funds to implement a creative project that will enhance the regular program.
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| **Gatewood PEEP**             | **Kathy Barthelemy**    | The Early Childhood Science Classroom  
Students will be provided science tools and literature to promote interactivity and engagement along with self-directed learning.                      |
| **Rebecca Lentz**             | **Accessible & Engaging STEAM Center**      | A mobile Art/STEAM center will be built to allow students access to STEAM activities introduced initially through art projects.                         |
| **Debra Coppedge**            | **School House Wall Panel Activities**       | The School House Wall Panel will serve as a wheelchair accessible learning center for numerous skills.                                                 |
| **Lee Hall Early Childhood Center** | **Jennifer Clemons** | Oral Language Enrichment  
Materials will be obtained to develop oral language skills in a small group setting.                                                           |
| **Karen Panchision**          | **Rhyme Awareness Through Song & Prop Retelling** | Students will be able to identify rhyming words and generate them independently.                                                                           |
| **Julianne Sinnaeve**         | **Introducing & Integrating STEM Activities to Enhance Our Quality First Step Program** | Through the materials obtained, students will be able to experiment and explore across the curriculum on a daily basis.                                |
| **Leita Oberhofer**           | **Enhancing Math, Engineering & Science in the Preschool Classroom** | The use of hands on materials will be used to enhance the math, engineering and science areas in the curriculum.                                      |
| **Marshall Early Childhood Center** | **Cynthia Watson** | Let Me Tell You A Story!  
Provided materials will add support for readers in their oral language development.                                                                       |
| **An Achievable Dream Academy** | **Karla Bradley** | Magnificent Math Stations that Extend & Enhance Student Learning  
Students will explore various math stations centered around problem solving and critical thinking.                                                      |
|                               | **Kim Anderson-Hasty** | Read & Glow  
Forty hands-on activities for targeted phonemic development will be available to students.                                                                 |
An Achievable Dream Academy

Esther Kreider
Science Club
A weather station for the science club will be available so students can check weather conditions, along with the ability to make predictions about future weather patterns.

Carver Elementary

Terry McGlennon
Integrating STEM Instruction Through the Use of LEGOs
Students will use the materials to teach the concepts of force, motion, energy and renewable energy.

Marilyn Morris
Hear It, See It, Solve It! Communicating is Cool!
This project will provide English Language Learners (ELLs) with tools to help improve their oral English language proficiency skills.

B.C. Charles Elementary

Karen DiGorgio
Our Whole School Can Read It!
eBooks will become available to allow more students the opportunity to read popular fiction titles.

Melanie Denison & Shelley Haywood
Membership to “More Starfall” for SmartBoard
Through the use of the SmartBoard, special education students will have the opportunity to learn about core subjects in a fun and meaningful way.

Dutrow Elementary

Colleen Fritzinger
Novel Reading
Fifth graders will participate in a novel study to encourage comprehension, internet and critical thinking.

Epes Elementary

Carrie Cariglio
Wake Up & Read with Bagels and Books
This Saturday morning family engagement literacy project will benefit students and families through the facilitation of literacy activities.

Donna Taylor
Building an ’Ear Print’ for Sounds Through Experiences:
Phonemic Awareness
Students will improve their phonemic awareness through use of the Clicker 6 software program.

Karen Ciotta
LEGO Land
LEGO Tech Machines will build teamwork, foster creativity and help develop problem solving skills.

Greenwood Elementary

Nicole Smith
Reading & Math Games for Parent Involvement
Reading and math file folder type games will go home with students to be played with their families.

Hiddenwood Elementary

Janet Eanes
It’s Orff Again!!
A continuing grant to complete the acquisition of Orff instruments to be used in cooperative learning, self-expression and understanding musical concepts.

Hilton Elementary

Mina Gibbons
Hands-On for Understanding Decimals & Fractions
Manipulative materials will increase students understanding of decimals and fractions.

Cathy Pape
Youth Development
Through various student clubs and activities, students will build a sense of pride and accomplishment.

Jenkins Elementary

Michelle Tunstall & Rebecca Norfleet
We Both Read!
This series of books addresses the needs of two different leveled readers in an interactive format.

Kiln Creek Elementary

Erinn Cauthers
Big Book Centers
Students will use centers to listen to music that will help them learn math and reading concepts.
Lee Hall Elementary

Amanda Bartusiak
Now We Know Our ABCs
Letter of the week activities will be enhanced through the use of real life items.

Irene Dethlefs
Special Needs Students & Reading
Age appropriate high interest readers will benefit classroom instruction for special needs students.

Theodora Jackson
When I Grow Up
Students will demonstrate growth in oral language by participating in dramatic play.

Magruder Elementary

Bridget Lester
Watch Our Garden Grow
A school garden will allow special needs students to learn about life cycles and practice social skills with other students in the school.

Alaina Shorter & Erin McCoy
Future Engineers
Students will be able to connect math, science, oral speaking and social studies during a design project

McIntosh Elementary

Angela Goerger
Book Buddies
Books in a Bag will be paired with a home project for family involvement.

Nelson Elementary

Carol Hughes
TouchMath Program: A Research-Based Mathematics Curriculum
Special needs students will have access to an alternative teaching method for math computation.

Newsome Park Elementary

Elizabeth Guthrie
TAG-Your Turn to Read!
TAG readers will promote reading enjoyment, skills, fluency and comprehension in other students.

Richneck Elementary

Tarri Jones
Small Group Counseling
Students in small group counseling will use play therapeutic techniques to reduce negative behaviors in the classroom.

Margaret Hagley
FLIPS-Family Literacy in a Pouch
Families will be provided with ready made activities that incorporate reading, math and social studies to review with their student.

Riverside Elementary

Janet Rippy
Recorder Success for All
This project will provide a venue for students with hand coordination difficulties in music.

Janet Rippy
Music & Literacy-Making the Connection
Music application of mallet instruments will be introduced to children's literature to help with literacy while teaching musical concepts.

Sanford Elementary

Kimberly Correiro
Patient Problem Solvers
Materials for problem solving centers are designed to help students solve real world problems in a collaborative method.

Rachel Swords & Catherine Footer
The Leveled Literacy Intervention Home Library
This project allows students to build a home library that reflects strategies taught in class.

Kimberly Correiro
Think About It!
This writing activity center will encourage connections between school and the real world.

Christine Steigleman
Elementary STEM Investigations
STEM kits will allow students to perform hands-on investigations related to engineering correlating with science concepts.
Saunders Elementary

Julie Leazott
LEGO Language Arts
LEGO manipulatives will be used during reading and writing activities to enhance learning.

Shaina Morris
Little Movers
Stability balls will be used to enhance attentiveness and focus for fidgety students in small group instruction.

Leanne Navarro & Nicole Schaeffer
Measuring Up & Little Movers
The Master Ruler will help children master equivalent measurements within standard and metric systems.

Sedgefield Elementary

Mitzi Embridge
The Science of Sound
Different objects will be used in experiments by students to see how they react to manipulation.

Crittenden Middle

Jeane Husch
Green School Yards: The Crittenden Middle School STE(A)M Project
Students will learn about recycling and the creative reuse of materials through art.

Dozier Middle

Ashleigh Hatfield, Shannon Loerch & Lynn Roberts
CCC Skills
This project will support the theme of community through the study of the novel Divergent.

Nita Barbour, Lynn Roberts, Courtney Smith & Patricia Ferguson
Accessible Reading for Every Student
This project makes available to all students an online library with a wide selection of leveled fiction and non-fiction chapter books.

Gildersleeve Middle

Kymani Pearson Brown
Read Along Listening Stations for English Language Learners
ELL students will be able to listen and read along with the same texts as their native English-speaking peers are reading in Language Arts.

Hines Middle

Betsy Bateman
Picture This & Read
English students will have a variety of small group stations with picture books to build reading skills.

Patrick Horan
Total Participation Dry Erase Boards
The boards will allow all students to participate as well as be used to draw time lines, create thought maps and illustrate ideas.

Stacey Hester
Getting in the Scope of Things
Students will have their own copy of SCOPE magazine to use during the Scope Magazine Club at lunch to discuss articles and learn that magazines are an important form of informational text.

Huntington Middle

Amani Dawson
Yoga Focus for the Classroom
Yoga techniques will be used to help students reduce test anxiety and improve concentration.

Passage Middle

Laura Cvitanovich
High-Interest Classic Literature for Paired Text Lessons
High-interest accessible texts will be paired with nonfiction passages for whole novel study.

B.T. Washington Middle

Kathie Tomaino, Melissa Poe & LaSonya Slade
A Foundation in Economics for Middle School Students
The librarian, living skills and eighth grade Civics teachers will provide materials for an in-depth foundation of economic principles.

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**Denbigh High**

*Katrina Hines*
Colored Emotions
Students involved in an emotions based awareness program will use art to explore more positive options.

**Dhyronn Goggins**
*Aviation Academy*
RV-12 Aviation Electronics Installation Package
High school students will be able to install and evaluate aircraft electrical systems.

**Menchville High**

*John Gulick*
Protein Cloning
Students will practice higher lab skills to try and clone a protein using genetically engineered bacteria.

*Janine Carneal*
Building English Skills Through Board Games
Afterschool options for students will now include the opportunity to learn and master English skills while playing educational board games.

*Justine White*
Magnetic Fields Forever
Students will measure magnetic fields emanating from common devices, determine magnetic field strength and investigate possible health ramifications from the electromagnetic fields.

*Sandy Graham & Janine Carneal*
The Lion’s Roar Online
The Menchville student newspaper will become more widely available to the community through an online format.

**Warwick High**

*Brooke Johnson*
Café 123 - School Based Enterprise & Transitional Skills
Students will learn employment skills related to operating a business through a school-based enterprise.

*Cristal Hunt*
Autism Culinary Arts Project
The goal is to incorporate cooking with hands-on activities to build independent students/adults.

**Woodside High**

*Cathy Shelton*
Outside In & Upside Down - Inside the Camera Obscura
Converting the classroom into a camera obscura will allow students to experience what occurs on the retina of our eyes.

*Tiffany Thompson, Margaret Wiggins & James Shaffer*
Growing & Going Green: Woodside Greenhouse Supplies
A greenhouse will be used for inquiry-based experiments and hands-on learning opportunities for a variety of science courses.

*Sharon Williams*
Book Buddies
This will give a new group of Woodside students an opportunity to make positive connections with the students at Greenwood Elementary.

**Divisionwide**

*Teresa Crowson*
Individualized, Integrated & Independent Structured Work Systems
A package of at least 20 different occupational therapy activities will be available to teachers as a lending library.

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