

Lubbock Area Foundation - Mini-Grants for Teachers 2005

Teacher	School	Project Title	Description	Grant Amount
<u>Elementary</u>				
Ms. Nancy Woods	All Saints Episcopal School	SOCIAL STUDIES COMES ALIVE Grade Level: 1 # Students: 26	This project will enrich the current Social studies curriculum with hands-on activities, books and dimensional materials that will heighten student interest. Students will be involved in recreating historical events through the lives and accomplishments of U.S. heroes and will also develop a deeper understanding and respect for the people, places, and events that helped to form our country.	\$750.00
Mr. David Williams	Hardwick Elementary	THE PLANETS ABOVE US Grade Level: 3 # Students: 22	Models of the earth, moon and solar system, solar system board games, activity sets and books will be used to enhance student knowledge of our solar system. Students will develop a visual record of all aspects of our solar system and will integrate this knowledge into other areas of the daily curricula..	\$585.00
Ms. Marci Parker	Hardwick Elementary	MANIPULATIVES MAKE MATHEMATICIANS Grade Level: 1 # Students: 20 - 100	A variety of math manipulatives and games will be used for daily instruction, concept review, tutoring in small groups, and center activities. Hands-on, tactile learning will help the students develop and understand math concepts.	\$525.00
Ms. Terri Guajardo	Harwell Elementary	A LADDER TO SCIENCE LITERACY: EARLY, JR & SR ENGINEERING ACADEMIES Grade Level: K-5 # Students: 120	This project will use Lego's to actively engage students in after-school science activities that will increase their interest in the science field in general and in engineering in particular. Activities will be vary by grade level and will range from the understanding of science concepts to basic engineering and robotics.	\$1,000.00
Ms. Andrea James	Hodges Elementary School	LET'S GET TOGETHER Grade Level: 5 # Students: 75	The purpose of this project is to get parents involved in their children's education. Students will be provided with books to read aloud to an adult each night. Videotapes or DVD's will introduce the teacher to the parents and let the parents know how to facilitate the reading process at home as well as what the expectations and need of the teacher and students are. The project also includes a Math Night for parents and a Night of the Notables presentation of Revolutionary War characters.	\$650.00
Ms. Sharon Terry	Iles Elementary	FAMILY READING NIGHT Grade Level: K # Students: 60	This project will build a positive relationship between the home and school setting by giving parents and students the opportunity to attend four Family Reading Nights. At these events, they will gather for a light meal, and listen together as the teacher reads a book related to a core subject. They will then participate in several related learning centers and then will be given the book to take home and keep.	\$700.00

Debbi Galey and Kelli Dickson	Iles Elementary	CORE KNOWLEDGE - THE ART AND ARCHITECTURE OF ISLAM Grade Level: 4 # Students: 45 - 50	This project will expose students to the art and architecture of the Islamic culture and will demonstrate how Islamic art has influenced our own culture. By participating in artistic experiences, students will develop an understanding and awareness of commonalities they share with people of the Islamic faith.	\$500.00
Ms. Jean Durrett	Maedgen Elementary School	CRIMINALITY SITE INQUEST (CSI) Grade Level: 5-6 # Students: 100	Students will examine accidents, acid rain and other real-world scientific applications when they are presented with scenarios and challenged to work backward to solve mysteries. The possibilities for investigation include capturing still images, time-lapse photography, graphing motion, examining harmonic motion and putting to use science process skills of predicting, classifying, measuring, observing and reading scientifically.	\$879.00
Ms. Mary Ellen Garcia	Murfee Elementary School	LET'S KEEP THOSE BABIES READING Grade Level: K # Students: 600	This project will enhance the Guided Reading program for Kindergarten students by enticing the children to read with subject matter and simple stories that appeal to them. These books will stimulate their interest while improving their reading ability.	\$618.03
Ms. Robin Fulbright	Murfee Elementary School	TACKLING TUTORING Grade Level: 5-6 # Students: 100	Tutoring will become more fun for children who have to stay afterschool for additional help with the introduction of two new learning components. VersaTiles will combine the challenge of solving a puzzle with purposeful practice and the Marilyn Burns Math & Literature series will use popular books such as Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, Holes and Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry to engage the children in meaningful math concepts.	\$814.85
Ms. Peggy Austin	North Ridge Elementary	JAPANESE PEN PALS Grade Level: 2 # Students: 22	Students will participate in a Pen Pal project with the 2nd grade students from Kaminakazuma Elementary in Mito, Ibaraka, Japan. They will exchange letters, power point presentations and books about our countries, regions, families and schools as well as make and exchange gifts. T-shirts will be made for the Japanese students and kimonos for the American students.	\$500.00
Ms. Jennifer Hardin	Rush Elementary School	HANDS-ON SCIENCE CENTERS Grade Level: 1 # Students: 92	Multiple classrooms will benefit from materials that will put science in the hands of children through science centers. Science skills will be reinforced and kinesthetic learners will benefit from resources such as Crystal Creations, Oceans in Motion, Rock Origins, Static Electricity and Our Changing Earth.	\$564.03
Ms. Candace Tickle	Waters Elementary	READY SET READ! Grade Level: 1 # Students: 100 - 150	Literacy Centers will expose students to content rich activities that encourage independent learning with a variety of formats including games, letter tiles, magic board cards, wipe off mats, building cubes and story starters. These materials will support independent learning while the teacher is with guided reading groups.	\$967.04

Ms. Susan Myers	Waters Elementary	NUMBERS 'MATTER' Grade Level: 1 and 2 # Students: 225	This project will engage primary students by bringing non-fiction literature and manipulatives together in exciting science activities. Students science knowledge will be enhanceD as they take part in hand-on experiences in small groups.	\$348.50
Barbara Carnes and Michelle Alexander	Waters Elementary	OUR FIFTH GRADE TEACHER YELLED AT US! Grade Level: 3 # Students: 40+	If students are to be successful on the fifth grade science tests, more science learning must take place in the earlier grades. The 'Loose in the Lab' workbook will be used to provide hand's on learning opportunities through projects such as The Big Cornstarch Explosion, Baking Soda Cannon, Glacier Sculpting, Thermal Polution and Fish, Pendulum Studies, Paper Clip Stew and Mini Lava Lamps.	\$984.00
Ms. Odilia Alaniz	Waters Elementary	WRITING AMAZING POETRY Grade Level: 2-6 # Students: 500	Throughout the school year, students will learn to identify and understand the use of literary elements in writing while also reading and writing their own poetry. Poems will be written on a variety of topics and will be submitted by students school wide for inclusion in a poetry book. The culminating activity will be a poetry festival that will give students an opportunity to read their poems during an open microphone session. Awards will be given to all participants with additional awards for distinguished poems.	\$358.71
Ms. Ameer Dobson	West Early Childhood Center	SUPER SCIENCE Grade Level: K # Students: 80	Age-appropriate science equipment will be obtained for use in weekly science lessons and activities. By participating in hands-on, application-type methods of learning, science will come to life for young learners.	\$669.75
Ms. Barbara Young	Westwind Elementary	ENGAGING STUDENTS AND ENHANCING THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF SCIENCE Grade Level: 3 # Students: 88	Through this project, students will become classroom zoologists, astrologers, geologists, biologists and engineers. They will watch life cycles emerge, study the solar system and observe orbits, explore plant and soil uses, study machines and their affect on our lives and examine and classify igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks.	\$934.80
Ms. Glenda Hagood	Westwind Elementary	SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS Grade Level: K # Students: 132	Through a series of participatory science experiments, students will learn to recognize and understand scientific concepts presented about air, water, soil, plants, life cycles and patterns. Just a few of the experiments include a Blizard in a Bucket, Growing a Peanut Bush, Butterfly Pavilion, Magnetic Tennis Balls and Test Tube Adventures.	\$993.90
Ms. Kathy Dawson	Westwind Elementary	ENHANCING SCIENCE THROUGH DISCOVERY BAGS Grade Level: 1 # Students: 22	Students will have the opportunity to take a Discovery Bag home twice each month. Each will contain colorful, informational books as well as fun activities designed to enhance their learning of a specific science concept. Each bag will contain a journal that prompts the entire family to share what they learned through the activities and what part of the bag they enjoyed most.	\$786.45

Secondary

Ms. Crystal Chapman	Alderson Academy	NOVEL UNITS Grade Level: 6-8 # Students: 100 - 150	Age-appropriate novels will be used to improve reading comprehension and literacy strategies and will also be used in relation to writing, language arts, social studies and current events. Projects and journals will be used to assess the students understanding of the complexities of the novel, characters, conflicts and resolutions.	\$1,000.00
Ms. Nancy Elle	All Saints Episcopal School	GPS - IN AND OUT OF THE CLASSROOM Grade Level: 5-9 # Students: 100+	Students will learn to use GPS units to create thematic maps, graphs, charts, models and databases. The GPS units will also be used on school trips to familiarize the students with mapping, change of elevation and pinpointing location and will be used to connect the geological changes that occur in the landscape of Texas as elevations changes occur.	\$825.00
Mr. Gabriel Gonzales	Christ the King Cathedral School	MULTICULTURAL MUSIC EXPLORATION Grade Level: PreK-12 # Students: 200+	Musical selections from North and South America, Africa, and Asia will be adapted to the level of students in grades K-12. The students will explore their potential in music with singing, acting, dancing and movement while enhancing their musical knowledge and appreciation of other cultures.	\$500.00
Ms. Vicki Sellers	Crosbyton Middle School	INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS: MSE ₂ Grade Level: 6-8 # Students: 100	Middle school students will use Windows Move Maker software and other technology to interview, investigate, analyze, write and edit articles, report, video record and produce a news program on a regular basis.	\$770.00
Ms. Carolyn McCain	Levelland Middle School	PLATE TECTONICS Grade Level: 6 # Students: 200	This project will use curriculum and models of erupting volcanos, fault simulators, and spreading center models to enhance student learning of earth systems and land features resulting from continental drift and plate movement.	\$700.00
Ms. Delores Martinez	Matthews Alternative High School	GOAL SETTING Grade Level: 9-12 # Students: 120 per semester	This program will develop the abilities of at-risk students to set and achieve short and long-term goals. Many of these students are already parents, have family responsibilities and are living without parental guidance. It is hoped that this program will positively impact their performance at school, their lives outside of the school setting and their hopes for education beyond high school.	\$599.90
Ms. Anna Thompson	Ralls Middle School	THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF HISPANICS TO THE UNITED STATES Grade Level: 6 # Students: 130	Through research, reading and various activities, students will learn about Hispanic customs, traditions and people. They will use biographies, literature, poetry, music, art and other resources to highlight the best and brightest of the culture and to learn about their impact on the United States.	\$832.00
Ms. Tammy Pickering	Shallowater High School	PHYSICS HOUSE PROJECT Grade Level: 11-12 # Students: 40	Students will work as teams to design, build, wire and electrify a model house to meet provided specifications. In addition, they will develop a presentation to explain the physics of electricity.	\$1,000.00

Ms. Jennifer Reynolds	Shallowater Middle School	CHUCK WAGON DINNER Grade Level: 7 # Students: 80	Students will use a variety of resources to learn about life in early Texas. At the end of the school year, they will dress as authentic cowboys and cowgirls for a chuckwagon dinner. At that time, they will also share their own cowboy poetry with other students.	\$461.00
			TOTAL MINI-GRANTS AWARDED (29)	\$20,816.96