

MERCER ISLAND SCHOOLS FOUNDATION GRANTS 2011-2012

SPECIAL SERVICES • Number of Grants submitted: 8 • Amount requested: \$5,176.00

TEACHER	ITEM	AMOUNT
1. Jobe - MIHS Life skills	Life Skills Cooking Class Support	\$1000
Provide support for a life skills class in which developmentally disabled students ages 14-21 learn basic cooking skills in conjunction with nutrition, shopping, budgeting, measuring and math skills.		
2. Kenyon - Island Park ERR	Sensory Calming Room	\$1011
Purchase materials for a sensory calming room for students who require heavy work and calming outlets.		
3. Fiser - Island Park Resource Room	SRA Specific Skills Series	\$1000
This research based series supplements the standard reading curriculum to provide extra support for struggling learners.		
4. Riccio - IMS Life Skills	Walkie Talkies	\$85
Two sets of walkie talkies to replace broken ones so that paraprofessionals can communicate immediately with the special ed teachers when problems occur.		
5. Riccio - IMS Life Skills	SRA Language for Learning Series	\$880
The classrooms have two levels already, this will complete the set to allow the program to address the full range of student abilities.		
6. Jobe - MIHS Sped	Social Skills Curriculum	\$215
This supplemental social skills curriculum will be used with high functioning students with Autism, Asperger's Syndrome, PPD-NOS, Non-verbal Learning disability and ADHD.		
7. Murray - W Mercer Resource Room	Social Skills Curriculum Support	\$75
Purchase elementary level books to support and extend current efforts to develop appropriate social skills and classroom behavior.		
8. Papasedero - IMS Sped	Novel Studies	\$910
Purchase 3 sets of novels with the reading mastery teacher materials to supplement the core reading curriculum at IMS.		

MERCER ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL • Number of Grants submitted: 10 • Amount requested: \$10,856.00

TEACHER	ITEM	AMOUNT
1. Patrick Zanders	Crest (Field Trip Budget)	\$3000.00
Field trips are a critical component of education at Crest, which is focused on an alternative, personalized learning experience for each student.		
2. Daniela Melgar	Drama I (Improv Artist in Residence)	\$1200.00
Funds allow comedic performers from Jet City Improv to work with Drama I students on improvisation techniques. The grant covers the costs to provide this workshop for both semesters of Drama I/Improv students.		
3. Daniela Melgar	Drama 2 (Physical Artist in Residence)	\$500.00
Funds allow a trained theater professional to do some physical work with Drama 2 student actors. Physical work is the process of creating and strengthening the physical persona of a character on stage.		
4. Daniela Melgar	Drama 2 (Artist in Residence)	\$350.00
Grant funds Artist in Residence Stephen Scheide to work with Drama 2 students on stage combat and fight choreography. Funds would pay for a four hour workshop, spread over several class periods. The results will be used in Drama productions this year.		
5. Kathy Medlock	French 3 (World Languages)	\$180.00
Funds will purchase materials to enrich an existing unit of study called "Impressionism" and enable students to recreate their own French Impressionist masterpiece. The works of art will be displayed at Fine Arts Showcase		
6. David Bentley	Performing Arts (Artist in Residence)	\$1000.00
Funds will pay for a consultant recording engineer to assist the MIHS Jazz Ensemble in the production of a professional quality recording. The final product will be used as an application to the Essentially Ellington Competition in New York in May, 2012.		
7. Jamie Cooke	Environmental Science (enrichment materials)	\$426.00
Funds will purchase gardening supplies to allow Environmental Science students to plan, plant and sustainably grow their own edible crop. This is an opportunity for students to apply the concepts they learn in class about agriculture, soils and global problems.		
8. Karen Sherwood and Susan McKay	Honors World Cultures (books)	\$900.00
Funds would purchase a classroom set of the short novel: Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress to complement the new unit of Modern China – and in particular the Communist/cultural revolution .		
9. Vicki White Miltun	Symphonic Orchestra (Artists in residence)	\$800.00
Funds would hire two Chamber Music Coaches to coach small ensembles of 2-6 in the MIHS Symphonic Orchestra, which has a total of 65 students.		
10. Charnell Bolger	Cross-Curricular (Student/Staff Activity)	\$2500.00
Funds would purchase services of an instructor to provide 50 sessions of ZUMBA, twice a week before school.		

ISLANDER MIDDLE SCHOOL • Number of Grants Requested: 11 • Amount requested: \$15,412.00

TEACHER	ITEM	AMOUNT
1. Ramona Behnke	Battle of the Books	\$1400
Battle of the Books is a competition that provides an opportunity for students to read from a selected list of books, share the books in a group setting, and prepare for a tournament competition.		
2. Karen Eash	Small Group Literature Circle	\$600.00
6th grade LA/SS classes extended curriculum. Literature Circles will provide an opportunity for kids to question and reflect how a book affects them.		
3. Weston Lucus	Literature Idol	\$550
7th grade HC students will 'pitch' their favorite novel to a panel of judges (teacher, administrator, fellow student) in the style of American Idol. The three to five finalists will compete for the grand prize of the whole class being assigned their novel to read as assigned reading.		
4. Arlene Azose	Scientific Illustrator	\$1800
To be used in all IMS grade 6 science classes. A scientific illustrator would teach the science students the technique of scientific illustrations using some of their own science work.		
5. Krell/Bentley	Professional Artist in residence	\$2880
Professional musicians will come to IMS to perform for band members and then mentor smaller groups of students.		
6. Patri Collins	EMP Field trip	\$100
The Photo, Film and Music class will attend the EMP while studying NW music.		
7. Bruce Harrington	Student Own Novels	\$500
IMS 6th graders will have the opportunity to write and illustrate an original 'novel'. After the writing and illustrating process, the books will be bound to look like a real book.		
8. Alice Chang	Chinese Cultural Experience	\$350
20 IMS 7th graders taking Chinese would use the supplies this year. The grant will purchase pen brushes, ink stone, ink and red paper to create items similar to what the Chinese create to celebrate the New Year..		
9. Aaron Miller	Enrichment Days	\$3000
Enrichment Days are two half-days in the afternoon, after students complete the MSP testing in the morning. Activities are led by teachers and staff members in areas of extracurricular interest. All IMS students participate in Enrichment Days.		
10. Mary Jo Budzius/ Aaron Miller	7th Grade Homework Center	\$1700
The Homework Center is open to all IMS 7th graders. Daily use is about 12-20 students. The center allows for individualized help and supports personalized learning and struggling students.		
11. Mary Jo Budzius/ Aaron Miller	8th Grade Homework Center	\$2532
The grant will provide funding for a new after school homework center for the 8th grade. It would be open to all 8th graders, for individual help on homework issue		

ISLAND PARK • Number of Grants Submitted: 6 • Amount requested: \$4,359.16

TEACHER	ITEM	AMOUNT
1. Susan Hamp and Sharon Stypulkoski	Opera Time – Big Stories Happen in Small Moments	\$608
A Seattle Opera teaching artist will give demonstrative, 30 minute lessons for all kindergarten through third grade classrooms. Lessons consist of singing, reading, vocabulary and "small moments" discussion.		
2. K. T. Tobiason	Soccer Dreams	\$800
Funds will sponsor author and Mercer Island Resident, Clare Meeker to visit third grade library classes. Along with sharing her captivating book, Soccer Dreams, Ms. Meeker will explore the themes of teamwork, goal-setting, hard work and positive communication.		
3. Glyn Bordelon	Oregon Trail Experience	\$1,433.20
Funds would purchase an interactive, four-hour Oregon Trail Experience run by Nature Visions at Juel Park in Redmond for all 4th graders. Students become pioneer families traveling along the Oregon Trail.		
4. Cheryl Sandstrom	Native Plants	\$500
Grant will allow Northwest Native American life and culture guest speakers to teach 3rd grade students about traditional native plants which will then be planted in the school garden.		
5. Jan Vetter	Study of Japan	\$773.00
Funding would purchase materials and supplies for a first grade social studies unit of study, Japan. For example, clay kimonos will be made as a Mother's Day gift. Cranes will be stamped on fabric for the creation of furoshikis, traditional Japanese handkerchiefs. Rice paper prints will be made as Father's Day gifts.		
6. Angela McCann and Stephanie John-Lewis	School House Rock DVDs	\$244.96
Funds would purchase Disney Grammar School House Rock DVDs which would bring grammar to life and make it fun. The DVDs would augment the fifth grade grammar program and help students assimilate concepts through catchy songs and rhymes.		

LAKERIDGE • Number of Grants submitted: 7 • Amount requested: \$5,197.96

TEACHER	ITEM	AMOUNT
1. Angela Carey and Rachel Segerhammar, 5th grade	Artist-in-residence	\$2650
This grant will fund an artist-in-residence who will teach 5th grade students songs, percussion parts and dance from Brazil, Cuba and other regions of South America. The skills and music pieces students learn will be presented in the All-School Musical in June.		
2. 3rd grade teachers	Readers Notebooks and Quick Word Handbooks	\$851.51
Funds will purchase a Reader's Notebook and Quick Word Handbook for each student in 3rd grade. These materials will be used to enrich the 3rd grade Reader's Workshop lessons and assist with word study and spelling.		
3. Lucy Anderson, 3rd grade	Reading Games	\$451.80
Funds will purchase Learning Well reading game sets to enhance the 3rd grade's Reader's Workshop.		
4. Barbara Tivnan, 2nd grade	Double Dice	\$42.85
Funds will purchase three sets of double dice for each second grade class. They can be used to practice addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.		
5. Barbara Tivnan	Novels for Advanced Students	\$76.40
Funds will purchase five novels for use by more advanced readers in the course of the Daily 5 Reading Program. Mrs. Tivnan is requesting two copies of each novel so her advanced students can read individually or in pairs.		
6. 3rd grade team	Burke Museum Culture Boxes	\$525.60
Funds will rent culture boxes from the Burke Museum containing artifacts relating to the 3rd grade Cultures in our Community social studies unit. Five boxes are being used in the Fall to coincide with the unit covering Africa, China, Japan, Mexico, and Australia; four additional boxes are reserved for use in January when the classes cover Natives in the Puget Sound, Plateau and Coast.		
7. Lorin Belcher	Bill Nye Science DVDs	\$599.80
Funds will purchase 20 Bill Nye science DVDs to add to the Lakeridge library.		

WEST MERCER • Number of Grants submitted: 7 • Amount requested: \$6,166.73

TEACHER	ITEM	AMOUNT
1. Julie Langley – 5th	Leveled books for literacy workshop	\$2821.73
Funds will purchase five of the six levels of nonfiction books for all of fifth grade. The school does not own enough nonfiction books for all 100 fifth grade students to spend the recommended 55% of their time reading nonfiction books.		
2. Veronica Golden - K	CAFÉ picture books	\$126
Funds requested will purchase 11 picture books to introduce Café strategies. This purchase would support the on-going effort of West Mercer teachers to implement Daily 5 and Café strategies.		
3. Nancy Burrill – grade 1	Children's Choice Books	\$206
The primary grades at West Mercer would like to participate in selecting the Washington Children's Choice Picture Book award for 2012. There are 20 books nominated and they will be read between November and April.		
4. David Baxter, 4rd grade	Installation of theatre lights	\$600
Funds will permanently hang theatre lights that will illuminate the front of the WM stage.		
5. David Baxter, 4th grade	iknowthat.com	\$338
Funds will go to purchase membership to iknowthat.com – the website has interactive learning games in all core curricular areas. Working with the site offers students an opportunity to pursue their interests in a wide variety of age-appropriate activities.		
6. Kirsten Bourke, 5th grade	Museum of Flight Portable Universe	\$475
Funds will be used to participate in the "Museum of Flight Portable Universe Program: Our sensational solar system". A mobile planetarium is used to teach about the solar system, allowing students to explore the solar system and learn about physical interactions between these bodies.		
7. Sherry Isaacs/Chris Ray, 3rd	Guest visit and Beaver lake field trip	\$1600
Two classes of third grade students (40) would connect their classroom learning about native customs to a real experience		