

Fall 2005 Competitive Grants

All Schools: **Mini-library for ESL Students** Purchase of classic titles specially formatted to teach speaking, listening, reading, and writing to students who do not speak English as their first language. **African Odyssey II** Repeat of project from last year. Request to fund books, videos, artifacts, art & drama supplies, performers, and story tellers.

Elementary Schools: **Africa Is Not a Country** Project to involve all elementary school students, teachers, and families in reading the same book, which teaches about the geography culture, languages and people of Africa. Activities and lessons will integrate all areas of the curriculum.

Collicot/Cunningham: **18th Century Artifacts** Project to increase students' ability to use primary sources in the study of history. Need kits developed by Colonial Williamsburg Foundation: artifacts, worksheets, sources. **Exploring World Cultures Through Art** An "Artist in Residence" project that will use to explore culture and history: Asian, Aboriginal Muslim, African, South American, Russian, Native American, Western European

Collicot: **Literature Circles** Funds purchase of multiple copies of good literature at various levels of reading skills to be used by literature circles in class to improve comprehension, vocabulary, & fluency.

Glover: **Connecting Kids with Environment** Partnership with Trailside Museum to teach Mass. Curriculum Frameworks in Life Sciences.

Tucker: **Language Arts Kits** Themed, grade appropriate kits containing books, media, & materials chosen to promote language arts skills, but which also promote learning in world culture, geography, music and art. **Literature Resources for Math** Purchase of read-aloud books addressing math concepts and tying math to real world experience.

Pierce Middle School ***Quia - An Ed. Tool Using Technology*** Quia is a web based company allowing teachers to create computer generated exercises, tests, and activities. Group membership requested. ***Virtual Interactive Software for Math*** Provides virtual manipulatives to entire school for use in interactive math instruction.

Milton High School ***Making Reg. Ed. Available to All*** Software that reads books to students using voice simulation. MHS has site license for 5 & wants 5 more so there can be 10 at a time.