

MILTON FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION

FALL GRANTS 2015

TITLE	TEACHER	SCHOOL	DESCRIPTION	RATIONALE
Can You Dig It! - Engaging in Archaeology in the School Yard	Kerri Devin	Pierce	8 archaeological dig kits for 6 th Grade students to use in the outdoor classroom.	Hands-on, memorable learning experience.
3D Digitizing	Jessica Jarboe	MHS	Digitizer that creates clean, watertight 3D models that are ready to 3D-print; it can also be used to create 3D images to project on the smart board.	Application documented how each discipline will utilize the digitizer; builds upon MFE-funded 3D printer.
Tucker Take Home Books	Catherine DesRoche	Tucker	Pre-K and Kindergarten level books and book cart, which will allow students to access "just right" books to take home.	Given the effectiveness of the established take-home book project, the committee strongly supports the proposal.
<i>The Special Kids in School</i> series	Jeanne Sgroi	Collicot	Start a library of resources for common medical and emotional childhood conditions for Nurse's Office.	Affordable and impactful books funded in the past at Glover.
Incorporating Technology into S-L Sessions through the Use of iPads	Tina Mahon	PMS	1- iPad for speech-language sessions	Video modeling for parents/homework is compelling.
Thinking for All	Elizabeth Caruso	Collicot	Materials to enhance social thinking for all students at Collicot; providing a framework for staff and students.	Proposal clearly described the need for social skills curriculum.

Centrifuges for Qualitative Analysis of an Unknown Inquiry	Linda Stefanick and Jon Diamond	MHS	3 desktop, electric lab centrifuges for inquiry based laboratory experiments in the chemistry curriculum.	Inexpensive and will allow students to conduct meaningful experiences
Enhancing Spanish Student ListeningHeadphones"	Jennifer Taber and Janis Gordon	Tucker, Collicot, Cunningham	2 sets of 30 headphones for grade 3-5 Spanish students.	Great learning tool to support language learning across 3 schools.
Fairy Tales and "Just-Right" Books	Sarah Slater, Sarah Smith, Kathy Mulligan, Maureen McClain	Cunningham	Storybooks and leveled readers for Kindergarten.	Supportive of independent reading programs and "Just Right" Books
Drumming Across the World	Rebecca Damiani	MHS	Drums in order to give as many students as possible the opportunity to create music.	Drums are durable so our investment goes a long way. Group favors supporting the arts.
Books to Go	Alysa D. Buchanan and Janis Powell	Collicot, Cunningham	Fiction and non-fiction texts for a leveled classroom lending library (K-2, 3-5)	Supportive of independent reading programs and "Just Right" Books.
Developing Social Thinking for All Students	Elizabeth Caruso	Collicot	Purchase materials to enhance social thinking for all students at Collicot; provide a framework for staff and students	Proposal clearly described the need for social skills curriculum.
Models for the Life Science Classrooms	Melissa Burns, Karen Plunkett, Kara Yifru	MHS	12 - 3D models of knee joints to provide students with better understanding of the anatomy of the knee ligament, as well as the physiology of locomotion.	The Biology, Anatomy and Physiology students would benefit from using 3D models and manipulatives.

Listening Center and Audio Books on CD	Kelley Hannon and Ellen Lohan	Collicot	5 - portable CD players and books on CD.	Strong benefits of audio books and listening library; teachers asked try to share materials within the school to avoid duplicate purchases.
Pathways to College and SOCK support	Karen Cahill	MHS	Support for the SOCK (Share Our College Knowledge) program.	We would like to show our support for the program started by outside donors/parents.
Document Cameras	Josh Coben and Jake Smith	Cunningham	2 - document cameras for 5th grade classrooms for use in Math, Science, Social Studies, and Reading.	Effective tool for teaching; affordable and useful technology
Social Emotional Calm Down Spaces	Kerri Joyce, Ramsay Cadet, Deb Fidrocki, Elaine McNeil-Girmai	Tucker	Materials to set up three areas within the building that will provide calming opportunities for students.	Supportive of the idea; we received some clarity about need for 3 stations (1 per floor).
iPad Mini and Display Port	Kathleen Daley	MHS	An iPad Mini, protective case, display port adapter for PE department.	Clear benefits for using a camera to film students or demonstrate a concept in athletics.
John Phelan Gallery		PMS	New frames that will display student art work.	Since the current frames are considered unsafe and dilapidated, we fully support this purchase.
Gilded Student Illuminated Manuscripts/ Age of Exploration	Michael Gallagher	PMS	Materials that will allow 8th grade students to create an illuminated manuscript and complete a simulated voyage of discovery in the Atlantic.	Great way to engage middle school students.

Improving Social Thinking Skills	Robin Lee	MHS	Materials to implement social thinking strategies for more than 40 students plus academic support classes.	High quality materials that serve needy students in a structured setting.
Recycle Center	Lea Franklin	Glover	Materials to facilitate a recycle center, which will be located in the first grade hallway.	Support the idea of STEM books to teach recycling within 1st grade classroom.
Bringing Early Literacy and Numeracy to Life	Soondarie Baker, Tara Kostek, Bonnie Johnson	Tucker	3 rugs that highlight the alphabet, numbers to 25, and primary colors.	Rugs are approved for school use; they will support learning all day.
Spanish-English Illustrated Dictionaries to Enhance Vocabulary Development	Jennifer Taber, Christina Brown, Janis Gordon	Collicot, Cunningham, Glover, Tucker	75 Spanish/English bilingual dictionaries for 5th graders town-wide.	Good price for a tool that will increase oral and written fluency and usage of new vocabulary.
Common Core ELA and Math Skill Building Folders	Coates, Craven, Donovan, Turner	Glover	Skill building folders that will be used in 2nd grade classrooms.	Good tools for centers - prepared learning activities for independent or group work.
Ipads for Inclusion	Kelly Herbert and Matt Buckheit	PMS	1 iPad and a \$50 gift card to purchase apps to use with students in the REACH classroom.	Useful tool to help students in the REACH classroom to be successfully included in more general education classes.
Sundance Chapter Books	Gina Cassler and Anne Ware	Glover	Enjoyable and appropriate Laugh-Out-Loud series of chapter books.	Funded books across all elementary schools to support reader's workshop

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