



2010 – 2011 Grants

Fine Arts

Fine Arts Enrichment Program

This program will provide all grades with educational and culturally enriching Fine Arts performances. A wide array of diverse programming is planned for the coming year thanks to the tremendous efforts of the APT Fine Arts Committee.

Stereo Equipment – Music Department

This stereo system will enhance the ability of students to critically listen to how their instruments should sound, play along with accompaniment CDs and listen to lessons on music history.

Gallery 300 – A Center for the Visual Arts

The lobby area of the DPM administrative center at 300 S. Waukegan Road will be used to display student artwork. This grant will provide funds for multifunctional mounting surfaces. By providing a gallery-like setting for displaying student artwork, the student's efforts are affirmed and their artistic talents encouraged.

Choral Riser Improvement Project

Every note and every word will be heard clearly with the addition of enhanced choral risers. These risers will also allow more students to participate in the choir concerts. The risers will be available for large group presentations, musical theater productions, drama productions, and general music performances.

Front Load Digital Kiln

With the addition of this advanced technology kiln, students' ceramic works will be precisely fired for the most accurate representation of their artwork. The kiln will also allow for different media, such as glass fusing, to be part of the curriculum.

Guest Composer 2011

This grant will assist District 67 in the funding of the Guest Composer for the 2011 Orchestra Commission at DPM. The selected composer, Jeffry Bishop, will compose a piece of music expressly for DPM and work with our DPM orchestra students in fine-tuning their performance of the piece. Mr. Bishop will conduct this piece at the DPM orchestra spring concert.

Language Arts

Lifetime Readers: Discovering the Joy of Reading

One of the most important components in a dynamic literacy program which engages even the most reluctant reader, is giving students choices in book selection and encouraging on-going reading. This grant will allow the language arts teachers to purchase additional books to be utilized during general classroom discussions.

Elaine Buckhardt - Leveled Literacy Intervention System

By using this scientifically based early intervention program, literacy difficulties can be addressed before they become long-term challenges. The format and activities included in these materials will enhance the students' phonemic awareness, alphabetic principles, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension.

Book Bag Program

This grant will strengthen the home-school connection by providing kindergarten students with books which include an accompanying parent guide to be used at home. Parents will be given concrete steps to reinforce concepts being taught in school. This strong start to reading will benefit the students in all curriculum areas.

Visiting Author Program

Through promoting interaction with published authors, the Visiting Author program helps bring the creative writing process to life in a meaningful and accessible way for all students in Grades K-8. The Spirit thanks the APT Visiting Author Committee for their commitment to this program.

Math

Tier 2 Math Support

Supplemental math materials will be utilized by students needing additional math support beyond the core general education math curriculum. Teachers will be able to target specific needs with these math support materials.

Science

Lake Forest Open Lands Environmental Education

Lake Forest Open Lands' education programs offer a unique way to integrate outdoor environmental education into the district's science curriculum. The materials purchased with this grant will continue to bring science to life for district students.

Interactive Dissection Software

By utilizing this interactive dissection software, the students will be better prepared for frog dissections and will be able to explore the anatomy of other animals studied. It will also provide a high quality alternative to hands-on dissections for those students who are unable to participate in the classroom dissections.

Elementeo

Elementeo is a chemistry based card game students can play to improve their knowledge of various chemistry concepts. Through this exciting game, students will learn without even trying!

Social Studies

Bringing Ancient Egypt to Deer Path

Fifth graders at DPM will explore ancient Egypt through presentations from guest speakers. Topics will include the discussion of functional and decorative ancient works, the exploration of the influence of ancient Greeks on the modern world, and the discussion of Imperial Rome and her armies.

Ancient Egyptian Animals

Through the use of animals, 5th grade students will learn more about the geography and land of ancient Egypt. This eye-opening, high interest presentation will enthrall the students while providing a valuable connection to the study of ancient Egypt.

Cultural Fairs

Cultural Fairs for sixth graders will revolve around the study of Southwest Asia, Africa, and Asia. The cultural fairs integrate social studies with fine arts, science, language arts and world language to bring the students a holistic experience.

Technology

NEO2 – Moving Ahead to 4th Grade

The NEO2 laptop is the perfect tool for students to use while developing keyboarding skills. In addition, this flexible tool allows for greater classroom access, putting key learning opportunities in the hands of students with minimal classroom disruption. Keyboarding, writing skills and math fact practice are areas of focus. After the implementation of this grant, every student in 3rd and 4th grade will have a NEO2 in the classroom.

Netbooks – Netting the Future

This grant will provide a pilot program utilizing Netbook computers at Deer Path Middle School. Netbook computers will provide basic word processing and spreadsheet capabilities as well as providing the ability to complete research, prepare PowerPoint presentations, and create voice threads. Through the pilot, the most effective use of computers in the classroom will be evaluated.

School Video Displays

Through the addition of school video displays at Deer Path Middle School, students will have an additional outlet to display artwork, school projects, student presentations, concert clips, and field trip pictures. The video displays will also be used to provide information about school events.

Wellness

Norm Erickson – Safety Mats for Wellness and Athletics

With the addition of these safety mats to the wellness and athletics areas, new curriculum elements can be added and the safety of the students will be maximized.

Human Power Generators

The Human Power Generator uses pedal power to generate electricity. These generators will be a powerful tool in teaching an appreciation of the physical energy required to produce electricity. The power generated will then be used in the science classrooms.

Outdoor Education Equipment

This equipment will enhance the Sheridan School wellness curriculum. It will provide a more vigorous experience with climbing, balance, agility and coordination training while promoting the development of core and upper body strength. This equipment will also provide a dedicated outdoor area for wellness classes.

Portable iPod Docks for Wellness

Research has shown that students are more motivated to perform well in fitness activities when music is part of the program. By providing more efficient speakers and a portable system, wellness classes can utilize music to achieve maximum participation and effort.

World Language

Gaius Julius Caesar Novels

Latin classes will use these novels to enhance the study of the connection between Ancient Rome and American culture. The novels present this material in an engaging, age appropriate manner.

Infusing Technology in World Language

By placing Netbook computers in the World Language classrooms, the teachers can more efficiently analyze the students' speaking proficiency. The students will be able to record verbal presentations, which the teachers can later grade and review with the students. This will be less disruptive to the classroom and provide more effective feedback.

Miscellaneous

Character Education Booster Shot

These books will be an important addition to the Emotional Wellness Initiative. The books will provide an additional resource for teachers to use in presenting various character and social-emotional topics.

Film Clips for Character Education

By using film clips to highlight various character and social-emotional topics, this grant provides an exciting and innovative way to present the important topics of the Emotional Wellness Initiative.

Alternative Chairs for the Classroom

Recent scientific research ties exercise and movement to increased learning. This pilot program will analyze the effectiveness of using exercise balls as an alternative to classroom chairs.

Kreischer Kids' Fund – Family Assistance Program

The Foundation has granted funds as in years past to support student activities where family funding is not possible. The fund is administered by District 67 personnel.

LEAD Parent University – 2011

This grant will provide LEAD with a contribution to help underwrite the cost of speakers for Parent University. We join other organizations and schools in our community in support of this program.

SPIRIT OF 67 FOUNDATION 2010 / 2011 GRANTS

	Title	Grant Amount	Applicant	Grades
Fine Arts				
1	Fine Arts Enrichment Program	\$13,800	Exec. APT Fine Arts	K - 8th
2	Stereo Equipment - Music Department	3,060	Hersey	5th - 6th
3	Guest Composer 2011 - Orchestra Commission	1,500	Rener	5th - 8th
4	Gallery 300 - A Center for Visual Arts	1,000	Vlami, Galluzzi, Tkachuk, Schumacher	K - 8th
5	Choral Riser Improvement Project	9,680	Gray	5th - 8th
6	Front Load Digital Kiln	7,000	Mickey, Wolf	5th - 8th
Total Fine Arts		\$36,040		
Language Arts				
1	Visiting Author Program	\$14,520	Exec. APT Visiting Author	K - 8th
2	Lifetime Readers: Discovering the Joy of Reading	2,400	Paull, Abel	6th - 8th
3	Elaine Buckhardt - Leveled Literacy Intervention System	13,435	Pawl, Miller	K - 2nd
4	Book Bag Program	2,510	Petes, Plucinski, Simala	K
Total Language Arts		\$32,865		
Math				
1	Tier 2 Math - Sheridan School	\$3,290	Gaebler	1st - 4th
Total Math		\$3,290		
Science				
1	Open Lands Environmental Education	\$2,095	Dixon - Lake Forest Open Lands	K - 4th
2	Interactive Dissection Software	300	Burns	6th
3	Elementeo	300	Carra and Summer Wu	7th - 8th
Total Science		\$2,695		
Social Studies				
1	Bringing Ancient Egypt to Deer Path	\$4,500	Binversie	5th
2	Ancient Egyptian Animals	420	Binversie	5th
3	Cultural Fairs	2,100	Oh	6th
Total Social Studies		\$7,020		
Technology				
1	NEO2 - Moving Ahead to 4th Grade	\$39,135	Schumacher	4th
2	Netbooks - Netting the Future	62,000	Schumacher	5th, 7th, 8th
3	School Video Displays	3,000	Henrickson	5th-8th
Total Technology		\$104,135		
Wellness				
1	Human Power Generators	\$6,305	Duncan, Cranford	3rd - 4th
2	Norm Erickson - Safety Mats for Wellness and Athletics	7,100	Yee, Levin	5th - 8th
3	Outdoor Education Equipment	32,425	Carney, Glyman	K - 4th
3	Portable iPod Docks For Wellness	800	Sostre	K - 4th
Total Wellness		\$46,630		
World Language				
1	Gaius Julius Caesar Novels	\$1,950	Monroe	8th
2	Infusing Technology in World Language	3,645	Behrens, Fetman, Henrickson	4th - 8th
Total World Language		\$5,595		
Miscellaneous				
1	Kreisher's Kids Fund - Family Assistance Program	5,000	Kullby, Steinert	K - 8th
2	LEAD Parent University - 2011	2,000	Frank-Bailey, LEAD	K - 8th
3	Character Education Booster Shot	1,410	Donoval, Schlemm, Leafman, Malin	K - 4th
4	Film Clips for Character Education	3,580	Leafman, Malin	5th - 8th
5	Alternative Chairs for the Classroom	3,625	Henrickson	1st - 8th
Total Miscellaneous		\$15,615		
TOTAL GRANTS		\$253,885		