



Fall 2012 Grants Awarded

Name of Grant	Campus	Teachers	Abstract	\$ Amount
iCan Learn with iPods and iPads	Central Elementary	Bettie Busby Mary Ann Gregg Crissie Kovar Tana Hoelscher Brennan Popham	This Innovative Teaching Grant brings 21 st Century technology and learning opportunities to economically disadvantaged Kindergarten students in an attempt to accelerate learning and level the academic and technology playing fields. We studied the #1 ranked Elementary School in the state of Texas, in Highland Park ISD, to see what technology they use with their Kindergarten students and we believe that our Kindergarten students at Central Elementary in Mabank ISD deserve to have the same opportunities! To compete Highland Park ISD, we are asking for 1 iPod and 2 iPads for each Kindergarten classroom at our school. On June 15, 2012, through bond funding, Highland Park ISD provided Pre-K through 5 th grade with iPads for the classroom. Their plan is to phase out laptops with iPads in the school by adding one grade level per year for 6 th -12 th grade	\$5,500
Speeding into Reading	Central Elementary	Julie Boothe Heather Baldrige	The purpose of our grant is to obtain materials needed to increase reading fluency in our second grade students who are below grade level.	\$2,269.00
4 th Grade Classroom Science Library and Interactive Center	Central Elementary	Leslie Ward	The goal is to create a literacy/interactive center in the classroom that contains leveled readers, non-fiction topic books, and interactive lessons on various TEKS that I teach during the year. This will allow students to deepen their knowledge over TEKS using content that is geared to their reading level. Also, this center will allow additional tutorial and enrichment opportunities for the students using books and interactive computer lessons above the normal classroom instruction.	\$1,000.00
Technology, Broadcasting, and Production Experience for Students	Central & Southside Elementary	David Glosup	The purchase of video production equipment and software will be used primarily to expose students to broadcasting and media careers at an early age. The equipment will be used to set up a miniature yet fully functional broadcast studio in a designated location on campus. This broadcast studio will be used to film announcements "news cast" for the following morning each day and will showcase students who have expressed interest as well as exhibited good behavior.	\$1,618.00



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Library Without Walls	All MISD Campuses	Linda Carter Karen Jones	Lending electronic books (eBooks) allows libraries to potentially serve more patrons beyond the hours and walls of their campuses, including the summer months when the campuses are closed. According to a CNN article, (E-books Spur Reading Among Americans, Survey Shows), "We must "meet students where they are' or risk losing them altogether". Electronic books can be purchased with simultaneous, unlimited use.	\$5,000.00
Sculptural Ceramics Program	Mabank High	Kyra Tracy	Our goal is to continue to expand the art program at MISD so that more students can achieve college AP credit as well as expand their portfolios and experiences for college entrance reviews. Currently we do not have the equipment needed to create the achievement of college credit in an AP 3D Design class for our students. With the equipment needed we will be able to begin an Art II, III, IV Sculptural Ceramics program and an AP 3D Design program in 2013-14 . In order to grow our program and offer our students more opportunities we need equipment. Students involved in Art I; Art II, III, IV Sculpture 2012-12 can experience creating pottery on a Potter's Wheel immediately within their current class.	\$5,000.00
TOTAL				\$20,387.00