

GRANT A WISH

2017-2018 EPSF Classroom Grant Program- Elkhorn Middle School Wishes

School	Grant Name	Description	Requestor	Grade	Amount	
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>Multimedia Authoring Opportunities for EMS Students</u>	I am requesting a new iMac for the library to provide students and staff opportunities to produce quality multimedia presentations. These would include, but not be limited to: special pull-out projects, HALE opportunities, green screen, music/audio projects requiring multiple audio tracks and loops, documentaries, History Day projects, sound effects for the school play and Teen Tech Week activities. An iMac is preferred due to its user friendly nature, included software and intuitive integration of media, thus decreasing the amount of lost instructional time to learn the necessary application. The iMac will also be used by library staff to produce video book trailers, create video tutorials, edit instructional copies of music concerts, and for other requested video/audio opportunities and projects as they arise. It will also serve as a troubleshooting station for Mac help requests from teachers and students.	Julie Hartman	6th-8th	\$1,399	
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>EMS Document Cameras</u>	EMS would like to request 2 document cameras to accommodate for additional teachers for the 2017-2018 school year. This will allow every teacher to have a document camera in their classroom.	Deb Garrison	6th-8th	\$1,474	
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>Teaching Through the Arts: EMS School Play Production</u>	Middle school is an opportunity to find interests and learn through experience. Many children need an activity that makes them feel connected to their the school. The theatre production that has been offered at EMS the last seven years has included several different avenues for students to be engaged and involved; not just an acting experience. At EMS, we run a very professional production with students interviewing for crew chief positions. Each chief must also be able to lead a group peers to make the best production possible. This production benefits the district by engaging students who may otherwise not be involved. This also promotes higher-order and abstract thought processes. Research demonstrates that students involved in performing arts have better attendance and perform better academically and socially. We believe the play production is needed in the Elkhorn district at the middle school level.	Rachel Peterson	6th-8th	\$1,500	Funded
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>Purple Hands Rally</u>	This is our school-wide effort to make EMS a safe and friendly building. Along with our school wide pledge, we have the group Respect2All put on a play geared to bullying prevention and awareness. We do our rally in October to tie in with the nation-wide effort to stop bullying and encourage everyone to be tolerant of others. In order to make student learning a top priority, we need to have a building wide environment that is positive and accepting of all students.	Ginny Owens	6th-8th	\$345	
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>Humans...the Greatest Mystery of All!</u>	Humans...The Greatest Mystery of All! grant will be utilized across the HALE grades and curriculum. The kits will aid the students in a greater understanding of what makes us human, how to solve problems through creative measures, and to encourage exploration of science, writing, and history in an engaging manner. The kits are comprised of detective work, crime scene analysis, and DNA mysteries. I teach a variety of higher level curriculum in which these kits would creatively fit. There are several scenarios in which I could utilize the DNA structures, lab work, and the creative story lines within the kits to teach different outcomes of the curriculum. Keeping the HALE kids engaged and challenged is always a feat, so having these kits will help in creating a fun and enriching class.	Laura Thoreen	HALE 6-8	\$413	
TOTAL WISHES					\$5,131	