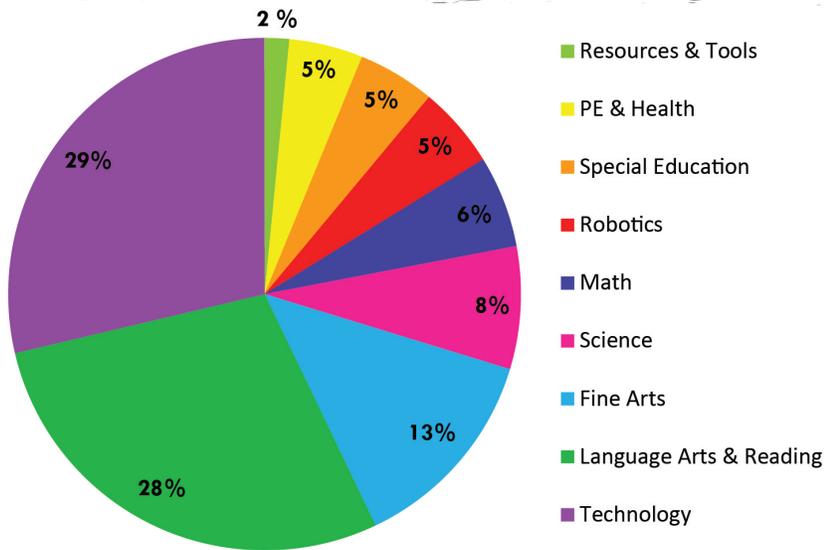


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2018-2019 EPSF Classroom Grant Program- Blue Sage Elementary Wish Request

School	Grant Name	Description	Requestor	Grade	Amount
Blue Sage Elementary	Promoting Code	Sphero SPRK (Schools-Parents-Robots-Kids) is a robotic ball that allows students to experiment with coding while focusing on their critical thinking skills using a variety of STEM foundations. Students use a custom drag and drop coding language called OVAL, students can create an infinite number of programs that their Sphero will carry out. Sphero is controlled by any bluetooth enabled device and will serve as a companion to the iPads that Blue Sage will have. Along with the purchase of Sphero itself, an abundance of free apps are also included and are available to download for students to explore. Computer club would incorporate the use of Spheros in their program throughout the year. Using a combination of the included lesson plans as well as curriculum formed at Blue Sage, students would be exposed to basic coding in coordination with the following skills: (such as: percentages and percent error, multi-step story problems, graphing and coordinate planes, reproduction of objects to scale, area of triangles, examining statistics from a sample population, evaluating design solutions, testing and modifying a process) The primary purpose to allow our computer club students to have the same opportunities per buildings. Our building will also benefit from using some intro activities with SPRK to help introduce STEM concepts and ideas in Media classes. The goal of this grant is to support the computer club & STEM initiative that is already established with Sphero lessons focused on two key 21st century skills: critical thinking and creativity. This focus will allow students to explore STEM concepts while learning rudimentary	Kimberly Miller	2nd-5th	\$1,200.00
Blue Sage Elementary	Read This Way with a Playaway!	At Blue Sage, we will have a diverse group of students who read books in classroom read-alouds, novel units, and independently. Playaway books are a way for all students with a variety of reading abilities to be engaged in and enjoy a variety of books that the media center has to offer. The device will help increase comprehension, vocabulary and fluency skills. There is a variety of speed ability on a playaway that can be paired for the students needs. This system will allow both struggling readers and high ability readers to feel pride and confidence in completing a book in a new way.	Lindsey Carlson	3rd-5th	\$1,945.00
Blue Sage Elementary	Book Room Basics	Having a fully functioning book room is essential to best meet students' reading needs and is a big task! Receiving an Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation Grant would help purchase the required supplies to set up and organize the book room at Blue Sage Elementary. In addition to the set up, books would be purchased that target intermediate readers and provide texts that they are excited about, such as nonfiction books about sports, careers, and hobbies. Research shows students make the most progress with reading skills by doing just that - reading. In order for students to gain confidence and success, they need to be reading books at their level that are of diverse genres and of high interest.	Janet Lech	3rd-5th	\$1,515.00
Blue Sage Elementary	Building Primary Readers	Leveled books are books that provide opportunities for students to read fun, high interest, engaging books that are at their varying levels. Having access to multiple texts at instructional and independent levels allows students to practice the strategies being taught in order to become successful, strategic readers. Leveled books are used daily with small, flexible groups throughout elementary schools to teach decoding and comprehension strategies, as well as work on reading in a phrased, fluent manner. Providing students with a variety of books on different topics and from different genres helps engage students by tapping into their different interests. Since Blue Sage is a brand new elementary opening in the fall of 2018, receiving this grant will help students have multiple opportunities to practice reading in order to develop and strengthen their reading abilities. The most beneficial type of practice for early readers to become better at reading are texts at their level where there are opportunities to practice decoding strategies, while also giving the students opportunities to feel the success of being able to read and comprehend the text, no matter what their level.	Janet Lech	K-2nd	\$1,756.00
Blue Sage Elementary	Only One You	Students will participate all year in Family Circles at Blue Sage Elementary. We will be basing the monthly lessons on the book Only One You. Towards the end of the year, students will have the opportunity to paint a rock to be added to the Blue Sage rock garden.	Katie Knust	K,1,2,3rd-5th	\$350.00
Blue Sage Elementary	LIGHTBOX Interactive Books	A Lightbox book delivers a unique student centered learning experience that can be accessed from any device. These interactive books integrate video, audio, worksheets, slideshows, transparencies, quizzes and other interactive features to improve comprehension, vocabulary, literacy development and engagement. The collection from Follett includes content areas of science, social studies, humanities and more while continuing to grow. As well as being interactive and engaging while supporting multiple content areas, these interactive books have multi-user access. Literally every student at Blue Sage Elementary could be on the same book at the same time! They can also be accessed from home.	Kimberly Miller	K-5th	\$1,424.00
Blue Sage Elementary	Osmos!	The purpose of this request is to receive approval to purchase Osmo for the media center, computer club and for classroom use with the iPads. Osmo is a piece of hardware that turns the iPad into an interactive learning experience. It comes with manipulatives that enhance the learning in math through the use of tangrams & coding and in reading with the use of letter tiles. The Osmo website does a fantastic job of creating lesson plan ideas to use with students K-6. These plans includes ideas such as STEM, reading, cursive, geography, vocabulary, music, art, etc. Plus, you can create your own lessons/activities to individualize the learning! As a school, we are always seeking out ways to support learning in all areas and we want to encourage students who come from a variety of different backgrounds and bring different exceptionalities to the classroom. The Osmo device can be tied to fit beginning sounds to those who are very advanced and expanding their vocabulary. The Osmo truly is appropriate for all ability levels. My intent is to share this with computer club, stations, mentor activities as well as incorporate it with STEM activities in 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade media curriculum. They can then help "peer teach" the Osmo to others in their classroom as well as to their reading buddies.	Kimberly Miller	K-5th	\$1,019.00
Blue Sage Elementary	IXL Language Arts and Science	IXL Language Arts is a program that can be used by students in Kindergarten through 5th grade. Students can focus on skills that are needed to achieve proficiency in the area of Language Arts. They can use any of the skills in pre-k on up in order to either receive remediation support or enrichment support. Students in fifth grade would also benefit from IXL Science in order to review skills from previous grades and enrich skills for later on to better prepare them for learning throughout the school year.	Natalie Shirley	K-5th	\$1,456.00
Blue Sage Elementary	Flocabulary	The Flocabulary program offers engaging raps, quizzes, lyrics, worksheets, that can be utilized across the curriculum. The Blue Sage team of teachers for 2018-19 school year would like to be able to utilize Flocabulary across all subject areas including Guidance and Special teachers. Flocabulary really matches curriculum and skills being taught in all subject areas. I have used it in Manchester for 2 years now, and have received very positive feedback from all teachers. Flocabulary has been used to engage students, introduce a concept in any subject, or provide a great closure strategy for teachers. My students sing along, and find enjoyment and fun in their learning while listening to the lyrics and rhythm Flocabulary offers. Some of the raps include the following skills: using context clues, main idea and details, and author's purpose are just a few that were played on a regular basis. The program offers a weekly rap of current events, as well as a packet of activities for the students to complete using vocabulary words. The students look forward to this every day and would request a song when introduced a new skill. There are Math, Language Arts, Vocabulary, Science, and Social Studies videos that align to our district curriculum. We would use this program across the curriculum. The membership for school wide is \$2,000.00. Blue Sage K-5 teachers are requesting to implement the use of Flocabulary into their instruction. Thank you for your consideration, and we are looking forward to more Flocabulary for the 2018-2019 school year.	Andrea Zitek Lee	K-5th	\$2,000.00
BLUE SAGE TOTAL					\$12,665.00