



**2022-2023 EPSF Classroom Grant Program- Elkhorn Grandview Middle School Grants**

School	Grant Name	Description	Requestor	Grade	Amount
Elkhorn Grandview Middle School	Respect Scrap presentations for all middle schools	RESPECT is a local organization that focuses on helping students navigate important topics such as bullying. RESPECT has been a continuous part of our anti-bullying message to our middle school students in Elkhorn. RESPECT comes out (this year virtual) to our schools they perform a 30 minute play on bullying. The program we would like RESPECT to perform is called "Scraps" and focuses on social bullying, the bullying that can occur within friendships or when relationships are used to hurt other people. Students learn how to identify these bullying behaviors and how to respond as the target or bystander. During the talk-back session, students have the opportunity to practice techniques to stop and prevent bullying during a fun and safe role-play. Understanding how to respond in these situations is very beneficial for students as they navigate middle school and peer relationships which can be complex and difficult for some. Students being able to role-play and practice these techniques is helpful so they have the tools to deescalate situations at school so the focus can remain on student learning. We would love the opportunity to bring RESPECT back into our buildings so students can hear this message. Thank you for considering.	Amy Wynn	6th	\$ 395
Elkhorn Grandview Middle School	Middle School Public Speaker	Public Speakers are an effective way to motivate and inform our student body. The five middle schools are requesting a grant to help pay for an annual public speaker. The public speaker would cover important topics for our middle schoolers such as social media, bullying, career readiness, anti-drugs, etc. We believe this will make a positive and long-lasting impact on our students.	Rachel Peterson	6th-8th	\$ 1,000
Elkhorn Grandview Middle School	<u>Play Scripts for EGMS 2022-23 Play Production</u>	Middle school is an opportunity to find interests and learn through experience. The theatre production that has been offered at EGMS for the last several years has included several different avenues for students to be engaged and involved; not just an acting experience. At EGMS, we run a professional production with students serving as stage managers, assistant directors, running and props crew, and so forth. Each position backstage must also be able to lead a group of 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 and have been so thankful to the Foundation for their continued support of our students. In addition to the grant supporting students through the process of preparing for a production, this grant also benefits hundreds of students and families who are able to attend the production for free due to this generous grant. It allows students and their families to fall in love with live theatre with often prohibitive costs of taking an entire family to a live show.	Holly Nielsen	6th-8th	\$ 1,500
Elkhorn Grandview Middle School	<u>Author Visit for MS (Author TBD)</u>	In the past, we have had an author visit our middle schools every three years. Typically this involves having a popular young adult author come spend a day at each of our EPS middle schools. In the past they have spoken to students in an assembly in the morning, and done a writers workshop in the afternoon. This has been such an amazing experience for our avid readers and aspiring authors! But it also has an impact on students we don't expect. We have done a school read aloud with a book from the author who comes to visit as well which gets our students engaged and excited about reading. Due to COVID19, we have been unable to book an author for the next school year, but we are hoping that authors will start scheduling in person visits again soon. If need be, there are some authors who do virtual visits which we are also willing to consider if COVID19 continues to be an obstacle in getting an author to visit in person. Due to us not having an author scheduled, we do not yet know the exact cost this will be. However, our last author visit was 2000 per school. (please note that attached purchase order is estimated amount only as we do not have exact author)	Amy Williams	6th-8th	\$ 2,000
<b>TOTAL ELKHORN GRANDVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSROOM GRANTS</b>					<b>\$ 4,895</b>