



**2023-2024 EPSF Classroom Grant Program- Elkhorn Middle School Grants**

School	Grant Name	Description	Requestor	Grade	Amount
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>Respect Anti-Bullying Performance for All Middle Schools</u>	We would like to have Respect or a like presentation come out and do a performance on anti-bullying strategies. This is an annual activity we have done for our 6th graders to teach them about the different types of bullying and how to respond if they are the target or a bystander. There is a performance followed by a talk-back session where students are involved in acting out different scenarios.	Kyle Peterson	6th	\$ 400
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>Middle School Public Speaker</u>	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 Middle School	<u>Middle School Play Scripts, Performance Rights, Props, Costumes, Set Pieces</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 school. Any 6th, 7th or 8th grader can be involved in the technical productions of the EMS play production and have been able to participate with support from the Foundation through this grant. It is not just an acting experience for students but an opportunity to build leadership and communication skills by interviewing for crew chiefs, stage managing and assistant directing. Student actors also build communication skills that promote higher order thinking, abstract processing and problem solving skills. 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 of the Foundation for their continued support of our students. Not only does the play serve the 30-40 students involved directly in the production each year, but the 100s of parents and students who are able to watch the play for free due to the generosity of this grant. This in turn also helps promote the great work our high schools are doing in their own programs due to this Foundation grant.	Brenda Honliasson	6th-8th	\$ 1,500
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>LG TV and Vivi</u>	We would like to request a large TV and vivi in our fitness room to display lessons, activities, and exercise routines from our computer. The size will make a difference because of the size of the room, the activities involved and the number of students who will use this at a time. This would be used during the entire school year. We would like to bring different lessons into our curriculum by displaying them on a screen in our fitness room. We would not only use this for exercises, but also as a teaching tool when learning / reviewing subject content. An example would be rules of games and DCA review sessions. We would also like to explore options of teaching and providing video examples of specific skills necessary to be successful in our class. All students at Elkhorn Middle School would benefit from this addition as we would involve all grades and classes.	Jennifer Wragge	6th-8th	\$ 1,605
Elkhorn Middle School	<u>Vivi + Tv Mount</u>	The EMS Media Center has two TVs but only one will display since the other doesn't have a Vivi. I would like to get a second Vivi, plus a wall mount to change this. I often do lessons in the media center for things like research, digital citizenship, etc., as well as host events like Career Day and staff meetings. Right now I only have one TV that will display and it is at the back of the library which isn't easily seen on the opposite side. The second tv, which currently has no function, could allow for me to double-display so that a larger group can be served at once (i.e. two classes at a time during the research project). I need a Vivi so I can display on two screens for best instructional practices. I also need a tv mount that allows me to pull it forward and turn it so it faces the back of the library.	Lise Wagner	6th-8th	\$ 668

**TOTAL ELKHORN MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSROOM GRANTS**

**\$ 5,173**