



2023-2024 EPSF Classroom Grant Program- Elkhorn North Ridge Middle School Grants

School	Grant Name	Description	Requestor	Grade	Amount
Elkhorn North Ridge 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 North Ridge 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 North Ridge Middle School	<u>Scripts, Performance Rights, Costumes, Props for middle school play</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 ERNMS 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. The theatre production that has been offered for the first-time last year at ENRMS. At ENRMS, we run a professional production with students interviewing for crew chief positions. Each chief must also be able to lead a group of peers to make the best production possible.	Andrew Christ	6th-8th	\$ 1,500
TOTAL ELKHORN NORTH RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSROOM GRANTS					\$ 2,900