



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

School	Grant Name	Description	Requestor	Grade	Amount
Elkhorn 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 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 Ridge Middle School	<u>Coffee Cart Set Up</u>	This classroom grant would provide an interactive skill lab for students in my classroom. Students in my classroom all have individualized education plans and intellectual disabilities, meaning they perform at a much younger age than their same-aged peers. While all the students with which I work are middle school aged, developmentally some of them function more like young children. When looking at our classroom of less than ten students, there should be opportunities for students to work and learn with their same-aged peers, but also learn daily skills such as cooking, cleaning, working, and counting money through a work setting. This is important because students who have intellectual disabilities often need additional time and practice to learn specific skills, both academically and vocationally. We would love for our middle school students to continue learning through structured and functional learning rather than sitting at a desk for most of the day as this is not how young learners best learn. This grant would provide the initial start-up supplies required to develop an efficient and safe coffee/smoothie cart (2 skill labs) for Elkhorn Ridge Middle School. The best part of this opportunity is that an interactive skill lab will allow my students to practice their learning in a way that may allow them to one day contribute to society. It also provides another opportunity for inclusion as we'll rely on peer helpers (several sets, potentially up to 20 various students) to help us staff our cart. Once this cart is established, it should raise money to self-sustain the program for many years to come.	Stacy Kreun	6th-8th	\$ 1,081
Elkhorn Ridge Middle School	<u>Teaching Through the Arts Grant</u>	The Teaching Through the Arts Grant would significantly help facilitate a working theatrical production. At Elkhorn Ridge Middle School, the monetary funds would be put towards a variety of products used to make a successful production. Scripts, royalties, costumes, props, set materials (woods, nails and paint), and stage makeup would be some of the uses of these funds. These materials would provide over 500 students with the necessary resources to create a theatrical production comparable to other theaters and have hands-on experience with a variety of real theater components.	Hayley Berglund	6th-8th	\$ 1,500
TOTAL ELKHORN RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSROOM GRANTS					\$ 3,981