

SUBJECT: Consideration and possible approval of multiple 2024 Dollar General Literacy Foundation Grant Awards totaling \$11,569.

BACKGROUND: 2024 Dollar General Literacy Foundation Grant Awards

Garfield Elementary received an award totaling \$3,845, to support their project, *Gators Love Decodable Text*. The project helps identify and support students who are struggling to read by providing decodable texts on a variety of fiction and nonfiction topics that will engage readers.

Jensen Elementary was awarded \$3,724, to support its project, *Benchmark Education Decodables*. The funds will be used to purchase a K-1 BEC Decodables Kit and accessories to be shared among the Kindergarten and First-Grade English Language Arts teachers.

Turner Elementary's \$4,000 grant award will support the *Growing Readers* project, which will provide over 700 individual decodable readers to strengthen the reading skills of Pre-K to 4th-grade students. Each grade level will have multiple decodable readers available for use.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Services described will be provided with grant funds.

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend approval of the multiple 2024 Dollar General Literacy Foundation Grant Awards totaling \$11,569.

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