

## Grant Applications December 2024

For your information, the Assistant Superintendent and/or the CFO, Executive Director of Business Services have approved the following grant applications during the above month:

Organization	Author/Contact	Project Title	Amount Requested	Terms
Northland Foundation	Becky Gamache	Duluth Preschool	\$14,272.77	SEL tools to help children calm and learn to solve problems. In kind: training and coaching to use the tools; no cost
Northland Foundation	Jen Jaros	Prenatal to Grade 3 group (Brenda Spartz, Sally Wiedt, Jen Jaros, Sherry Williams, Becky Crane, Becky Gamache)	\$4,000.00	<p>The P3 group has an on-going focus of bridging gaps between EC and K3, along with engaging community partners and providers with the goals that align with MDE's Successful Learner Equation. Ready Schools + Ready Families + Ready Communities</p> <p>The funds would be used for continuing Pyramid Model Training and supplies as well as community conversations hosted by this group that would enhance alignment both within our district systems as well as community providers and partners. Space to host meetings. No money from the general fund is necessary.</p>
MDE	Cindy Miller	District-wide Library/Media/Tech	\$75,000.00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. develop a communication campaign about digital literacy, digital citizenship, and tech lessons/resources in school and public libraries</li> <li>2. K-12 school and public librarian PD about these topics</li> </ol>
Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation	Danette Seboe	CTE: New East/Denfeld Forensics Classes	\$2,500.00	Equipment and supplies for new Forensic Science classes. We will need to purchase additional supplies and the required textbook.
Irving Community Club	Rachael Thapa	Lincoln Park Middle School (Zoe Blumhardt-LPMS Reading Interventionist,	\$5,000.00	Funds will be used to purchase books for all students and educators as well as snacks and supplies for "One Book One Day," a school-wide literacy event event.

		Rachel Thapa- Community School Coordinator)		The purpose of One Book One Day is to help reinforce our school-wide positive literacy climate and goals, to engage students in a community reading experience, and encourage discussion about books and reading. All students and staff will read through a student-selected book cover to cover together in one school day. Students will get to keep their book to add to their personal library at home or share with friends and family. Estimated budget: \$4000 for books (800 books x \$5/book) + \$1000 for snacks + event supplies
MN Department of Health	Lexie Neff	District Wide - Safety, Health, and Environmental Coordinator	\$4,000.00- 20,000.00	Grant funds are for decreasing the level of lead in water in schools. Grants are awarded based on number of impacted people, age of impacted people, and percent of tests that were over 5ppb at the time of the last testing (2021 for ISD 709). This was recommended by the Facilities Director, it has not been discussed with principals yet. Unsure if it would need to be, as work would be done over the summer.
Minnesota Department of Transportation	Andrea Heil	Duluth Community Education - Safe Routes to School Coordinator	N/A	MnDOT funds will go to local infrastructure planning groups: Arrowhead Regional Development Commission (ARDC) or the DSMIC (Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council). They will partner with the district and community to develop the district-wide Safe Routes to School Plan.
Northland Foundation	Cal Harris	Ispec	\$800.00	The goal of our project is to foster a sense of responsibility and stewardship towards wildlife among third-grade girls by engaging them in hands-on activities that support and protect local bird populations. Through building and maintaining birdhouses and feeders, and participating in community clean-up efforts, the girls will learn about

				wildlife conservation, habitat preservation, and the importance of community service.
Hospitality Minnesota Education Foundation	Stacy Gizas	Denfeld HS Culinary Art Instructor & Child Development Teacher	\$2,500.00	Purchasing new Curriculum for Introduction to Cooking course. It is the the most recent ProStart Curriculum, - 3rd Edition
Minnesota Sea Grant Center for Great Lakes Literacy	Kayla Christensen	Ordean East Middle School, 8th Grade Science Teacher	\$550.00	Transportation and Payment for a field trip to Hartley.