

Mini-Grant Awards 2011-12

Grant Award & Reasons	School/Department	Applicant	\$ Request	Project Description	# of People
\$300	#1 Tatanka PTO	Mindy Weis PTO President	\$300 (would accept any amount available)	They would be able to provide 20 parents with background checks for parents to utilize and help in the classroom as well as field trips.	15 parents
\$300	#2 Tatanks Elementary teachers k-2	Kristi Fobbe	\$300	K-2 families will receive a “Family Literacy Bag” with fiction and non-fiction books. There will be choices of three activities for families to choose from. The bag will be completed and sent back to school for another family to utilize.	250 students and parents
\$300	#3 NES Media Center	Joan Olson	\$300—will purchase 6 Playaways with earphones, batteries and lanyards. (Playaways are small mini recorders made of droppable plastic)	The playaways can be used during recess or class time to help a child read and listen to the stories. Parents will then use the packet to discuss the book and answer questions.	6 families per week
\$300	#4 Montrose Elementary Special Education Assessment teacher and Title One teacher	Sammy Nelson and Laurie Meyer	\$300	F.R.E.D. is Father’s Reading Every Day will be established and parents will be able to access the leveled library with their student.	This would be open to all parents and students
\$100	#5 NES kindergarten team	Cherie Sanderson	\$300 (would accept anything)	.Parents will be invited to a Read Together Day and learn to teach their child how to read by modeling and guidance by the teachers.	95 students,3 teachers and 128 parents

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\$100	#6 PES Enrichment Program	Sharon Herzfeld	\$300 (would accept less)	The PES intermediate teachers need books in the 900-1300 for their novel groups who meet with paraprofessionals each week. Parents will help with the comprehension on the texts	25 students,6 staff and parents
\$300	#7 NES third grade teacher	Marsha Muntiferin g	\$300	Book Bag program for children at risk. The books will be brought home with the students nightly and read and discussed with the parents.	25 students and parents
\$300	#8 Tatanka Elementary teacher	Cheree Johnson	\$300 (would accept anything)	Math games will be purchased to help develop math skills and can be checked out by parents to use.	22 students and parents
\$300	#9 ECFE	Terrisa Fisher and Diane Mastel	\$300	To continue with the “Raising a Reader” program to promote reading with parents to their pre-school students. The program provides multi-cultural and bilingual books to families who often do not have the opportunity or resources to have books in their home.	40 plus students and parents
\$300	#10 Tantanka Elementary	Melanie Olson	\$300	A Nook Color a Readers Tablet plus accessories. Parents that volunteer with the students will use the nook for reading and comprehension and fluency. The nook can be signed out and the student and parent can read and answer comprehension questions together.	100 people per year and this can be used for years to come.

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\$300	#11 Northwinds Elementary	Suzie Lommel	\$300	A purchase of a netbook that would meet the needs of all my students. This would enable the students to access the website that they currently use for preparation for exams.	28 students plus parent helpers
\$300	#12 Buffalo Middle School	Desiree Tweeten	\$300 (would need at least \$200 to start program)	Funding will help begin a school to home reading program. The teacher would purchase leveled books that will be sent home with students on a regular, rotating basis to read with parents. It will help build confidence and reading fluency in their children.	Entire classroom plus parents
\$150	#13 ECSE	Linda Carlson	\$300	Purchase sensory stimulating art supplies for children ages 2-3 years of age. The families can use the supplies at home and return to work on projects together.	21 students and parents