

2014 Grant Award Recipients

(21 grants totaling \$57,005)

Ashland High School

Awarded To: Moshkovitz, S

Title Speech Recognition Software

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase eight copies of Dragon Naturally Speaking Home 12.0 and eight headsets and microphones for use by all teachers in the AHS English Department. The software will transcribe teachers' oral presentations into a Word document, enabling teachers to present information both verbally and visually without having to write notes. Students on IEP's will be given copies, thus facilitating or eliminating the need to take notes.

Amount Awarded: \$589

Awarded To: Graham, C

Title Elmo Cameras and Marine Biology

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase one Elmo MO-1 Visual Presenter document camera for use in marine biology classes at AHS to capture live video and images of dissection lab activities. This would enhance teaching and learning during small group activities and would more effectively reinforce concepts by saving images to be used in the future.

Amount Awarded: \$370

Awarded To: Mercandante, T

Title Electronic Music Carts

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase four Yamaha keyboards, computer software (Finale 2014 and Musica Practica), two USB WIFI for desktops, one digital recorder, and four workstations.

Amount Awarded: \$4,000

Awarded To: Marshquist, L; McGowan, C; Smith, S

Title	Students as Makers
Summary:	This grant will be used to purchase two machines – one MakerBot Replicator and one CNC Router and Engraver – for use in the AHS Unified Arts classes. The high technology machines will be used to enable students to create 3-Dimensional art pieces and other objects.
Amount Awarded:	\$3,893

Ashland Middle School

Awarded To: Knoff, T; Laing, L

Title	Classroom Chromebooks in AMS
Summary:	This grant will be used to purchase 13 Chromebooks and one storage and charging station for use by grade 7 Team Purple Students in ELA and Science. The Chromebooks will provide consistent access to the internet, and the writing and editing features of Google Docs. This also serves as a pilot project with the goal of making classroom use of Chromebooks a part of the grade 7 curriculum.
Amount Awarded:	\$3,851

Awarded To: Frazer, D; Moynagn, M; Allen, P; Vasile, R

Title	Humanities Meets the Common Core
Summary:	This grant will be used to purchase 10 iPad 2's for use by grade 8 students in the Humanities (ELA and Social Studies).
Amount Awarded:	\$3,790

Awarded To: Anagnostaras, G; Choinski, S

Title	Math & Science iPad Innovations for the Future
Summary:	This grant will be used to purchase 10 iPads for use in Math and Science, including STEM modules, by grade 7 students. The iPads will be dedicated exclusively for use by these students, who do not have regular, consistent access to the two iPad carts presently available at AMS.

Amount Awarded: \$3,790

Awarded To: Long, J

Title iPad Minis to Increase Attention and Differentiated Instruction in a Sub-Separate Classroom

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase eight iPad Minis, including covers, for use in one sub-separate classroom, which includes special education students in grades 6-8 with a wide range in ability. The iPads would enable the teacher to differentiate instruction in English, Math, Science and Social Studies.

Amount Awarded: \$2,460

Awarded To: Remsen, S; Truesdale, K

Title 7th Grade SPED Chromebooks

Summary: A request for funds to purchase 13 Samsung Chromebooks and one Mobile Laptop Storage and Charging Station (20 computer capacity) for dedicated use by 7th grade students with IEPs in a special education academic support classroom. The Chromebooks will provide these students with access to the accommodation of word processors for writing essays, internet-based research, and online learning tools such as Khan Academy and Quizlet.

Amount Awarded: \$3,831

Mindess School

Awarded To: DiModica, K; Crowley, T

Title Eno Interactive Whiteboard, Projector and Equipment

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase one Eno Interactive Whiteboard, one projector and related equipment for use in one fourth grade classroom. Through cooperative teaching, teachers and students from other classes will have the opportunity to use the Whiteboard on a daily basis in Math, Science, ELA, Social Studies and STEM-related subjects. The two recipients will model and teach other educators how to use the Whiteboard.

Amount Awarded: \$4,000

Awarded To: Bennett, C; Gazard, K; McPherson, M; Gallinagh, T; Narreau, K; McNally, L; Connor, K

Title Mindess Minis

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase 12 iPad Minis and cases and a subscription to ScootPad, a web based program for individualized learning in Math and Literacy. These iPads add to an existing 12 in the third grade, so that there are 24 available iPads on a cart for classroom use.

Amount Awarded: \$3,827

Awarded To: Connor, K; DiModica, K

Title Eno Interactive White Board fro Third Grade

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase one Eno Interactive White board, projector, amplifier, and related equipment for installation and use in one third-grade classroom to be shared between two teachers. The whiteboard would be used for visual, interactive instruction in ELA, Math, Science, STEM, and Social Studies.

Amount Awarded: \$4,000

Warren School

Awarded To: Caira, M

Title Get Interactive- SMART Board and Related Equipment

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase one mobile SMART Board and related equipment for use at the Warren School. The Board will be shared by all teachers in all grades.

Amount Awarded: \$4,000

Awarded To: McCarrick, T; Malone, J

Title Golden Sneaker Fitness Center

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase age-appropriate physical fitness equipment. The equipment will be added to equipment already donated to create a fitness center in the back of the Warren School gymnasium, which will be used by all students in the school.

Amount Awarded: \$978

Awarded To: Wise, A

Title iPads to Support Student Learning

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase four iPads, cases, and applications for use in a second grade inclusion classroom. It serves as a pilot project that would benefit a large number of teachers and students.

Amount Awarded: \$1,794

Awarded To: Micucci, R

Title Art Room Interactive Projector

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase an interactive projector for the art room at the Warren School. This will provide multi-modal instruction and access to all of the art that is available on the internet.

Amount Awarded: \$2,105

Awarded To: Noel, C

Title Learning Music Through Technology

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase two iPads with covers, three-four music centric apps, nine headphones, five headphone splitters, and a CD/iPod/iPhone player for use in "Round Robin" lesson plans in the music curriculum. The equipment would be used to create two of the four "stations" in the music room. Students would test their knowledge of the names of notes and create and improvise music.

Amount Awarded: \$1,295

Awarded To: Mulvey, C

Title Mini iPads for Literacy

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase four iPad Minis, covers, and headphones for dedicated, daily use in the first grade inclusion classroom in the Warren School. The iPads would be used to access Raz Kids, a literacy program that has multiple books available at all reading levels. Students would be able to listen to stories while words are highlighted, read stories independently, and answer reading comprehension questions.

Amount Awarded: \$1,440

Awarded To: Wilkinson, A

Title Igniting First Grade Learners

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase five iPad Minis and covers plus three apps (vocabulary & spelling, writing, and iMovie) for dedicated, daily use in one grade 1 classroom, which includes four special needs students. The iPads would be used in cooperative learning groups, project based activities, and center rotations.

Amount Awarded: \$2,108

Pittaway School

Awarded To: White, P

Title iPads and Preschoolers

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase e-Picture books, headphones, splitters and related equipment for use with 10 iPads currently in the Preschool. The e-books will be used for small and large group instruction, as well as independent and buddy learning across the Preschool curriculum, including handwriting.

Amount Awarded: \$985

Office of Student Services

Awarded To: Silva, K

Title ELL On-Line Support

Summary: This grant will be used to purchase a total of 10 iPad 2s to support each English Language Learner (ELL) teacher in the District with one iPad to use with their students both in the inclusion setting and in the small group English Language Instruction classes. The iPads will offer immediate understanding of vocabulary through pictures on the internet, as well as translation apps, language-based activities and games.

Amount \$3,990

Awarded: