

**GISD EDUCATION FOUNDATIONS
2017 INNOVATIVE TEACHING GRANT APPLICATIONS**

Name of Grants and Campus/Grade submitted	Amount Awarded:
Edison:	\$ 6,179.68
<p>Circle N Dairy Field Trip Kindergarten</p> <p>This will be a real-world experience for kindergarten students (to learn that milk comes from a cow - not the store). This experience allows students to get an up-close look at how a dairy runs and all the work it takes to operate one. Students will get to experience the daily tasks of running the dairy. They will even get to feed a calf and practice their milking skills on a simulated cow.</p>	\$ 1,800.00
<p>Bilingual Dictionaries Kindergarten & 1st Grade</p> <p>Adding bilingual dictionaries to the bilingual classrooms will enhance the opportunities for students to cooperate with their bilingual partners in developing language skills. It would be a tremendous help for students to learn to communicate orally as well as writing in their second language. These will be equally beneficial to English Language students as they learn Spanish.</p>	\$ 1,079.68
<p>AUDIENCE IN ACTION! Kindergarten, Year Twelve Kindergarten</p> <p>Edison Elementary will introduce Kindergarten kids to live theater by attending a live theatrical performance by the NCTC Drama Department. This allows the children a truly new and diverse experience. This field trip addresses several fine arts TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) satisfied by the students responding and evaluating this experience.</p>	\$ 750.00
<p>AUDIENCE IN ACTION! 1st Grade, Year Twelve 1st Grade</p> <p>Edison Elementary has been able to introduce 1st Graders to live theater for the past nine years by attending a live theatrical performance by the NCTC Drama Department. This field trip addresses several fine arts TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) satisfied by the students responding and evaluating this experience.</p>	\$ 750.00
<p>iLearn Through iPads! 1st Grade/Bilingual Kindergarten</p> <p>Mini iPads will open up the endless possibilities to better suite the Osmo applications we received from GISD Education Foundation last year. Every student will engage independently or with their partner during Bilingual learning centers. iPads will encourage learning in key areas such as: social-emotional skills, creative thinking, art, and STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics).</p>	\$ 1,800.00
Chalmers:	\$ 7,264.64

<p>Science Classroom Library - 5th Grade Reading Science based graphic novels featuring Max Axiom Super Scientist. These provide students with additional resources to aid in understanding science concepts. They will inspire students to take ownership of their own learning by providing information on 6th grade science concepts in a fun, but informative format. The students will frequently read the novels and be able to explain science concepts in greater detail by the time the students get to the 6th grade.</p>	<p>\$ 306.80</p>
<p>Tracks, Scats, and Signs! Oh my! Each 5th grade students will be able to have their own personal copy of this guidebook to the world of animal tracks including "descriptions on how to find and identify footprints, nests, feathers, fur and other common clues left by seventeen wild animals as they pursue their lives in wood, fields, and along ponds". It reinforces the concepts previously taught during the experience at Leeper Lake. This will be an beautiful illustration and step by step instructions for culminating activities. This publication gives hands-on experiences to encourage further exploration and family involvement in the area of life science.</p>	<p>\$ 1,492.50</p>
<p>Math VersaTiles - 5th Grade Classes The VersaTiles allow students to practice every math TEK that they have learend and self-monitors their success. This promotes accountability, relection and the students are able to take control of their own learning. VersaTiles are engaging puzzles that offer a fun challenge and immediate feedback to earn student. There is flexibility for whole class practice, small group guided practtice, indipendent or partner work, or learning stations. This system is self checking and allows for students to find their mistakes and correct them.</p>	<p>\$ 1,631.52</p>
<p>GJHS:</p>	<p>\$ 3,507.11</p>
<p>Great Readers Need Great Books 7th & 8th Grades To purchase current, interesting books for the library that provides our students with interesting and relevant topics. If students are interested in what they are reading, research has shown these interested readers will have positive trends in their reading achievements and goars. Book talks will be created for the books and shared with students during library class. Book trailers will also be located and shared with students through the use of QR codes, library classes and the school's video announcements.</p>	<p>\$ 945.04</p>
<p>Art Rocks: Art Club Brings Art and Joy to the City of Gainesville 7th & 8th Grades Art To foster a sense of giving and to explore how art can be a service to the community by brining joy and a bit of wonder to those who come across it. After learning about the Kindness Rocks Project (http://the.kindnessrocksproject.com), the GJHS Art Club will disign and paint rocks to hide in and around the city. The GJHS Art Club will invite members of the GISD community and city community to join them in painting and placing the rocks around the city. You post the rock on social media and then hide the rock in a different location.</p>	<p>\$ 204.17</p>

<p>Technology for individualized Intervention Purposes - 7th Grade Math. The purpose is to engage students and promote student motivation to excel in the math classroom with the use of modern technology. iPads will be incorporated into tutorials and invention classes. Additional assistance using these iPads will target the students individualized needs. The use of iPads for instructional purposes allows students to use technology for their academic success and not just for news and social media. Partial funding was given by the GISD Education Foundation.</p>	<p>\$ 1,645.00</p>
<p>Connecting Our Past to Our Future 7th & 8th Grades Traditions should be a part of GJHS. Many students ask why there are ropes around the leopard, why we have our school song, and why we once were called "the Panthers". A professional microphone and accessory kit to attach to our current recording devices will be purchased and this equipment will allow GJHS students to conduct quality audio and video interviews. These Interviews will help build a bridge between our community and our current students by the students interviewing former students of GISD. The teachers will reach out to the community through social media, local newspapers, alumni and community groups to find individuals or groups who are willing to share their school pride and memories of GISD with the current generation of GJHS students.</p>	<p>\$ 712.90</p>
<p>GHS:</p>	<p>\$ 1,608.69</p>
<p>Listen Together - GHS Life Skills Classroom <i>The purchasing of Califone CA20-30 Classroom 30 pack headphone sets will be used in conjunction with iPads and chrome books to help facilitate student engagement for learning with focused listening and reduced distractions. These headphone sets can be used with unit lessons, keyboarding sentence exercises, and internet interactions for transition to daily living at home and in our community.</i></p>	<p>\$ 178.74</p>
<p>VEX Robotics Competition for high School - 2nd team Engineering The grant will be used for a 2nd VEX Robotics team at GHS and will allow the class to go to competition. The students will build, program and compete the robots to compete in the VEX Robotics Competition. The first robotics team was paid for by a VEX EDR Robotics grant.</p>	<p>\$ 1,429.95</p>
	<p>\$ 22,921.87</p>