



Community Education Foundation Awards For Expanded Student Success



2019 Grant Recipients

Virtual and Augmented Reality Project (\$6,751.00)

Cynthia Reetz, 6th Grade Teacher, and Andrea Dimmer, Library Media Specialist - Thomas Jefferson Middle School

Project: ClassVR is a groundbreaking new technology has been shown to increase student engagement, deepen understanding, and spur inquiry. It aides student learning through communication and collaboration, creating an immersive experience for the students. With this capability utilized across curriculums and grade levels, participate in virtual field trips and experiences that may be otherwise unavailable due to time, distance, and cost.

CharacterStrong Curriculum - Support through Social-Emotional Learning (\$4,248.00)

Melissa Wellenstein, Social Emotional Coach (formerly Guidance Counselor) - St. John XXIII Catholic School

Project: CharacterStrong Curriculum utilizes research-based resources to support a multi-tiered system of supports through social-emotional learning. The primary goal is to teach students the importance of strengthening one's own character in order to improve relationships, increase academic achievement, and improve the overall climate and culture at school.

Total 2018 Grant Amount: \$10,999.00

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3D Printing in Manufacturing (3D Printer) (\$3,000.00)

Ryan Volke and Taylor Last, Tech Ed Teachers - Port Washington High School

Project: This project will immediately provide increased student project completion with better attention to detail by allowing even more students in all areas of technology education to effectively solve design projects. In all Tech Ed courses, students will be able to design custom pieces for their projects. CAD students will be able to model three-dimensional projects. Machining and Casting students will be able to make molds prior to casting metal. The overall impact to student learning will be immense and ongoing.

Digital Keyboard Transition (2 Keyboards) (\$1,890.00)

Dennis Gephart, Choral Director and Chris Clouthier, Band Director - Port Washington High School

Project: The High School Music Department is in the process of replacing current upright acoustic pianos in the band and choir rooms with digital pianos. Digital pianos do not have reoccurring tuning expenses and have several features that will be extremely beneficial to the students. These features include recording and playback, numerous voices, and increased portability, which will enhance the music experience for students in both choir and band.

Academic Career Planning (ACP) "Making a Difference by Connecting the World of Work with Careers & Community Engagement" (\$1,525.00)

Susan Michel, School Counselor, and Lori Bruno, School Psychologist - Thomas Jefferson Middle School

Project: Academic Career Planning (ACP) was state-mandate for all school districts in 2017-18. Our school district was fortunate to be one of 25 pilot schools that helped implement the curriculum and program for ACP. The funds from the grant will be used to expand the program by connecting career exploration with community service. This will help students be aware of and understand the needs within their community, as well as see themselves as an active participant in the community.

Spirit System - Interactive Assessment System (\$3,409.00)

Erin Lackovic, Marketing & Development Director, and Kristi Klein, Principal - St. John XXIII Catholic School

Project: The Spirit System uses technology to teach students how to manage their individual health and fitness by engaging students in a fun and interactive way while providing students, parents, teachers, and administrators with accurate data and reports that can be used to improve health, nutrition, and academic performance. The goal is to make students comfortable monitoring their own health improvements, while adopting quality habits as they transition into adulthood.

Total 2018 Grant Amount: \$9,824.00
