



2019-2020 AEF MINI-GRANT AWARD WINNERS LIST

ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL

Deja Andersen & Andrew Poon, The Recharge Room
Christopher Saucedo, H2O Is The Way To Go!
Lesley Ogle, What's Your 20?: Promoting Wellness in the Library
Mauricio Eguez & Yumiko Goto, Moving the (Compass) Needle
An Inquiry Based Exploration of Electromagnetism
Frank Nunez, Audio Recording Studio Microphones

FIRST AVENUE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Olivia Tiet, Superfight: Winner Takes All
Anddie Chen, Burning Shadows!
Jamie Holmes, Algebra and Art Inter"twined"
John Choi & Mark Gould, Probing
Jamie Holmes & Michael Graves, Rockets and Parabolas
Karalee Nakatsuka & Lucretia Anton, Making History Come to
Life: Green Screens Student Creators and the Power of Place

HOLLY AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Marti Duyshart, Building Math Minds in 1st Grade
Adriana Smith, What Every Kindergarten Class Needs!
Laura Kladifko, "Flipping Out" For Place Value

LONGLEY WAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Yul Lee, Manipulatives and Games for Budding Mathematicians!
Nikki Montoya, Learning Without Tears and Overcoming
Learning Fears!
Alison Smith, Brandy Acker, & Dana Caro, Shhh! We are
Recording.
Heidi Morris, Books, Books, and Books, Oh My!

RANCHO LEARNING CENTER

Caroline Wu, Adulting 101

DANA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Jennifer Ary, Building Confident Girls!
Jeff Grable, Storage Cabinets for Musical Instruments &
Percussion Equipment
Ricardo Cortez, English Language Learning Through Peer
Mentorship & Social Skills Acquisition

BALDWIN STOCKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Frances Sambilay, Better Together
Nina Curone, Touch the Earth and Heal

CAMINO GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Sharon Pasqua, Do What's Sensible!

HIGHLAND OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**William Harrison, Janae Williams, Tiffany Mejia, Natalie
Wayne, Meredith Hawkins, Vanessa Pena, & Fiona
Kitteringham**, Soaring to New Heights with Project STEM Lab
Amy Hargrave, Pam Britt, & Ameenah Issa, Reading and
Writing Our Way Through History

HUGO REID ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**Sandra Macintosh, Kristine Iwashita-Morris, Kim Garber,
Dina Corthell, Amy Webb, Jordan Ortlund, Mary Olson
Tina Rettie, & Kit Wang**, Reading for All!
Jan Brown, I see me (in that library book!).
**Amanda Ritiau, Anna Battaglia, Brenda Halberstadt, & Jenna
Morris**, Fitness and Fun in First Grade!

Arcadia Educational Foundation making teachers' dreams come true! For over 21 years, AEF has supported the teachers and staff of the Arcadia Unified School District through our signature Mini-Grant Program. We are pleased to announce that for the 2019 – 2020 school year, 30 grants totaling over \$28,000 have been awarded!

AEF's mini-grant program is designed to help our teachers enrich their curriculum, enhance student learning and provide innovation and/or collaboration in learning. Two large grants were awarded this year, one to Highland Oaks for their "Soaring to New Heights with Project STEM Lab". Highland Oaks' new STEM Lab will be used by the whole school, students in TK through 5th grade. Lead applicants, William Harrison and Janae Williams state that the STEM Lab will be a hands on interactive space where teachers can introduce new opportunities for growth in various STEM skills. It will emphasize a learning process rather than just an outcome. We can't wait to see Highland Oaks' new lab in action. The other large grant went to Hugo Reid for their "Reading for All!" Lead applicants, Sandra Macintosh and Kristine Iwashita-Morris applied for a site license for Accelerated Reader which they hope will instill a lifelong love of reading and help develop self-discipline for their students. They also write that the Accelerated Reader Program provides teachers a consistent and immediate gauge of students reading comprehension because it allows students to work at their pace and level, supported by reports that highlight those who need additional help and those who need more of a challenge. Happy Reading to the Hugo Reid students!

All of this would not be possible without the support of our donors. **THANK You, THANK You to our donors** for recognizing the importance of supporting our teachers and staff as they strive to engage their students to Imagine..Inquire..Inspire!

Bravo, we congratulate all this year's award recipients!

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