

**Summit Educational Foundation
Grants to Board of Education
Fall 2009**

F09101 **Arts Plus Residency**
School: Franklin
Applicant: Karen O'Connell and Dana Turk, PTA Cultural Arts coordinators
Target: 1st through 5th
Link: Amanda Greenblatt and Jude Avelino
Description: A two-day residency program for 1st and 2nd graders with an author/illustrator, and a week-long residency program for 3rd to 5th graders with a Jazz pianist. The author will hold small group writing/illustrating workshops with students and the musician will work with individual classes to create music, poetry and art.

Request: \$4,000 (total budget is \$9,400)
Recommend: \$500

F09102 **Finding our Way**
School: Brayton
Applicant: Chris Miller
Target: 3rd
Link: Rob Gannon
Description: Students will use GPS/compass systems and Google Earth to learn map skills and apply them to real life situations. They will participate in a scavenger hunt, and search for travel bugs and hidden caches at Brayton School and the Watchung reservation.

Request: \$494.61
Recommend: \$495

F09103 **Headsets for Podcasting**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Barbara Slezak and David Mimnaugh
Target: 1st-5th
Link: Christine Hayward
Description: Purchase 15 headsets for students to create and listen to podcasts. Podcasts are used to assist students' vocabulary, writing, editing, public speaking and presentation skills.

Request: \$493.80
Recommend: \$494

F09104 **Language Masters**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Karen Harrison
Target: 5th
Link: Leah Griffith
Description: Mrs. Harrison requests 24 Language Masters for use in 5th grade classes. The Language Master is an electronic dictionary and thesaurus. Students can spell words phonetically to receive the correct spelling and definition, and hear the correct pronunciation.
Request: \$2,441.44
Recommend: \$2,442

F09106 **The Literary Magazine**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Barbara Fleissner
Target: 1st through 5th
Link: Christine Hayward
Description: Mrs. Fleissner plans to publish a yearly Literary Magazine showcasing the students' best writing and illustrating work. The Magazine Club will meet twice a month at lunch and will be supported by a parent group. Total budget is \$1,350.
Request: \$500
Recommend: \$500

F09107 **Picture This**
School: Jefferson
Applicant: Janet Gibney
Target: Primary through 5th
Link: Melissa Kasemeyer
Description: Purchase one digital camera for each homeroom teacher at Jefferson. Students will use the cameras to document class activities and projects and create slide shows. Request is for 16 Canon Powershot cameras.
Request: \$2,951.84
Recommend: \$1,152, 1 camera at every grade level

F09108	Oh the Places We'll Go
School:	Jefferson
Applicant:	Janet Warbeck, Kristen Bucceri
Target:	1 st through 5 th , ESL (32 students)
Link:	Leslie Scott
Description:	Take ESL students on 3 field trips, supporting connections through literature and science and exposing children from non-English speaking homes to typical American cultural experiences. Students will attend a Paper Mill performance, and visit the Morris Museum Earth Explorers and the Liberty Science Center/IMAX theatre.
Request:	\$1,929
Recommend:	\$1,929
F09109	Reader's Theatre Garden
School:	Washington
Applicant:	Lauren Banker, Natalie Cassidy, Cindy Hedin
Target:	1st
Link:	Beth Nardino
Description:	A first grade garden will provide hands-on experiential learning. Activities include research on potential plants, planting flower beds, and maintaining them. The garden will be used as an outdoor readers' theatre.
Request:	\$1,569
Recommend:	\$849 to cover the cost of trees and plantings
F09110	Sensitivity Training
School:	Washington
Applicant:	Lauren Banker and Jeff Lambert
Target:	4 th graders, plus all Washington teachers
Link:	Meredith Warmington
Description:	Washington fourth graders and teachers (school-wide) will work with workshop leader Melinda Jennis to develop skills as mentors and supportive peers for students with special needs or disabilities. The workshops include role plays and small group discussions.
Request:	\$2,000
Recommend:	\$2,000

F09112 **The Right Moves: After School Chess**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Alexandra Penetra and Richard Leever
Target: 2nd – 5th
Link: Jude Avelino
Description: The Lincoln Hubbard Chess team will invite Grandmaster chess teacher/author Maurice Ashley to address the team. Copies of Mr. Ashley's book, The Most Valuable Skills in Chess, will be distributed to members and ten copies of the software, Think Like a King, will be purchased to help students improve their skills.
Request: \$2,300.79
Recommend: \$1,888 (covers speaker and software, and 5 copies of the book)

F09113 **Unscripted Learning, Act 2**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Matt Carlin
Target: teachers, district-wide
Link: Stewart Douglas
Description: A follow-up to a successful SEF funded course taught by Mr. Carlin. Mr. Carlin will purchase 10 copies of the book Unscripted Learning and teach a workshop series on bringing improvisation to life in the classroom setting. Open to all Summit teachers.
Request: \$255.40
Recommend: \$256

F09114 **Explode the Code Workbooks**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Karen Ferry
Target: 1st
Link: Stewart Douglas
Description: Purchase of phonics based workbooks for use in a first grade classroom. The books are leveled and will be integrated into small group classroom lessons.
Request: \$470.40
Recommend: \$471

F09115 **Fit 'N' Focused**
School: Brayton and Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Cheryl Moretz and Matt Carlin
Target: 1st – 5th
Link: Betsy Stockton
Description: Use Wii technology to work with ADHD students before school at both Brayton and Lincoln Hubbard schools. Students will work in small groups for 30 minutes (7:45-8:15) on physical activities that prime the brain for learning.

Request: \$2,821.17
Recommend: \$1,411 (share among 2 schools) Equipment to be purchased only once students are identified and parent approval received.

F09118 **Enrichment Through Exhibits**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Matt Carlin
Target: 1st-5th
Link: Leah Griffith
Description: Enrollment in the Morris Museum loan program. Boxed exhibits can be borrowed for up to 2 weeks and include topics such as butterflies, rocks and minerals, Native American instruments and landforms. Museum exhibits will be selected to tie into curriculum, providing a hands-on component to learning.

Request: \$500
Recommend: \$500

F09119 **Write On! Helping Struggling Writers and Making it Stick**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Matt Carlin
Target: 1st-5th
Link: Christine Hayward
Description: This is a pocket sized set of two help desk books for writing instruction. The books complement the Columbia Teacher's College workshop model and address methods for making new writing strategies stick for struggling and achieving students.

Request: \$493.06, one set for each teacher
Recommend: \$494

F09120 **Rising Stars, Reader's Theatre**
School: Lincoln Hubbard
Applicant: Matt Carlin
Target: 1st-5th, at risk
Link: Amy DiSibio
Description: Students that are struggling with reading will attend a before-school morning workshop twice a week to promote reading achievement. Students will act out story dialogue in small groups using Reader's Theatre texts.
Request: \$1,975.42
Recommend: \$1,976

F09121 **SmartBoard Technology**
School: Brayton
Applicant: Matthew Stambro, Mary Ryan, Aaron Gilbert, Elizabeth Essig
Target: 5th
Link: Betsy Stockton
Description: The fifth grade team at Brayton has requested one SmartBoard to be shared among the teachers.
Request: \$6,963
Recommend: up to \$13,926 for 2 SmartBoards

F09122 **Jefferson Journal**
School: Jefferson
Applicant: Linda Stanziale
Target: 1st-5th
Link: Sandra Galuppo
Description: Publish a year-end Literary Magazine showcasing the best writing and illustrating work of Jefferson students. The budget includes \$1,500 in printing costs plus stipend funds for teachers to type, edit and layout the Journal.
Request: \$3,900
Recommend: \$1,500, printing costs only

F09124 **Morning Computer Time**
School: Jefferson
Applicant: Ron Poles
Target: all elementary
Link: Melissa Kasemeyer
Description: Offer early morning (7:15-8:15am) computer lab sessions twice a week. Students without access to technology at home will use the computers to complete language arts and math work related to their school assignments.
Request: \$12,640 (additional morning staff time for all 5 elementary schools)
Recommend: \$2,528, pilot at Jefferson. Kids to be identified before staff is hired.

F09201 **Author Visit**
School: LCJSMS
Applicant: Megan Hartley
Target: 6th-7th
Link: Betsy MacPherson
Description: Funding for an author visit by Ms. Gennifer Choldenko, the author of Newbery Honor book Al Capone Does My Shirts. Ms. Choldenko will spend one day with 6th and 7th grade classes, giving five separate presentations to reach over 550 students.
Request: \$3,125
Recommend: up to \$3,125 (share airfare with DC audience)

F09203 **Music here, there and everywhere!**
School: LCJSMS
Applicant: T. Margiotta, M. Sarracino, J. Zieleniewski
Target: 6th-8th, Spanish classes
Link: Tracy Stabler
Description: The Spanish teachers are requesting 3 iPod Nanos with compatible speaker systems to play Spanish music in the classroom. Music is used daily in all Spanish classes and accessing itunes through the computer has not been reliable.
Request: \$1,636,02
Recommend: \$1,137

F09204 **Science Fun for All**
School: LCJSMS
Applicant: Suanne Benowitz and Karen Cotter
Target: 6th
Link: Sarah Sangree
Description: Purchase 3 science kits (analyze Euler's disks, grow polymer alligators, etc) and 4 books to make the 6th grade science curriculum more accessible to students.
Request: \$266.54
Recommend: \$267

F09205 **STAR Tellers**
School: LCJSMS
Applicant: Kimberly Stephens and Kelley DeRosa
Target: 8th, science classes
Link: Martha Sayre
Description: Bring a high quality portable planetarium to the middle school for three days for 8th graders.
Request: \$3,240
Recommend: \$3,240

F09301 Gramercy Brass Performance Workshop
School: SHS
Applicant: Alex Bocchino
Target: 9-12th band students (75 brass members)
Link: Ann DeBevoise
Description: The Gramercy Brass Ensemble will conduct a Masterclass and performance during the school day for SHS brass/band students.
Request: \$500
Recommend: \$500

F09303 Human Rights Day
School: SHS
Applicant: Don Standing
Target: 9th grade honors English, all Photography students
Link: Corey Walsh
Description: Funds are requested to repeat Human Rights Day at SHS. Ron Haviv, a professional Photojournalist who has photographed genocide and war in Darfur, Yugoslavia, Iraq and the Congo, will spend a day in forums with groups of students. The program will reach 500-700 students and is being coordinated with the Social Studies department to link to curriculum and other school activities.
Request: \$2,000
Recommend: \$2,000

F09306 Moving Instruction into the New Millennium – Smart Board
School: SHS
Applicant: Lawrence Seid
Target: 9-12th, History
Link: Heather Pollinger
Description: Mr. Seid has requested a SmartBoard for use with his history classes.
Request: \$5,750
Recommend: \$5,750

F09307 Visible Spectroscopy Labs
School: SHS
Applicant: Christine Stelmach
Target: 11th grade Chemistry students, possible additional use in biology (10th grade) and physics labs (9th grade honors and 12th grade)
Link: Donna Conforti
Description: Visible Spectroscopy labs show that atoms emit or absorb specific wavelengths of light based on their electron configuration. The school's four current spectrophotometers are in need of repair and are manually operated. Ten new units are requested.
Request: \$4,872
Recommend: \$4,872

F09308 **Applied Physics with Trebuchet Catapult Modeling**
School: SHS
Applicant: Jeremy Morman and Sarah Wagner
Target: 11th-12th AP Physics students
Link: Karen Cotter
Description: AP Physics students build trebuchet catapults capable of flinging
baseballs from 50-100 yards. Prior to building full size catapults,
students practice and learn with small-scale models.
Request: \$477, for 50 models
Recommend: \$477

F09309 **Elmo Document Camera with Projector**
School: SHS
Applicant: Frank Baragona
Target: 9th-12th Math
Link: Barbara Evans
Description: The Document Camera allows teachers and students to share
real-time work with a class without using transparencies. The
camera captures images and motion and projects them for
immediate viewing and uploading to a class website.
Request: \$1,246.25
Recommend: \$1,247

Total recommendation: \$57,926