

The Summit Educational Foundation is pleased to announce 19 grant awards totaling over \$102,000 for the 2020 fall grant cycle. Thanks to all the teachers and administrators who submitted grants to bring new ideas to our schools so our students are well equipped to succeed especially during this unprecedented time. They have been working tirelessly since last spring to give all students the best educational experience possible.

**Fall 2020 grant highlights include:**

**Professional Development to Deepen Understanding of Research Based Literacy Instruction from the LETRS Suite of Professional Learning**

This grant will provide funding for our district literacy coaches to access the three components of this highly regarded and intensive professional development course. The components include depth of knowledge on language/literacy skills to address struggling K-12 students, focus on foundational skills needed by Pre-K and Kindergarten students before learning to read/write, and in-depth instruction for administrators on how to implement strong literacy instruction district-wide.

**Resources to Support Evidence Based Literacy Instruction**

District literacy coaches and teachers from the Primary Centers and elementary schools will have access to pilot materials from the Heggerty Phonological and Phonemic Awareness Program which will guide teachers through instructional strategies to develop students' phonological awareness. The grant will also fund the purchase of key resource materials including Phonics and Spelling through Phoneme-Grapheme Mapping, and Morpheme Magic for grades 4-5.

**Kindergarten Book Bridge for the Primary Centers**

This grant will fund the purchase of new "Just Right" Handprints books for all fourteen Primary Center classroom libraries. These books will enhance existing libraries with new phonics based reading selections that will bridge Reading Workshop and the district-wide Phonics Program.

**Expansion of K-2 Classroom Libraries with Diverse Books**

This grant will provide funding to purchase new books for all K-2 classrooms district-wide with a focus on culturally-inclusive characters, authors, and life experiences.

**Orton Gillingham in a Bag at Jefferson Elementary School**

This grant will fund the purchase of individualized materials for students who need a socially distanced/safe way to support their phonics and reading skills at school and home.

**A 3 year Reflex Math Subscription for all 5 Elementary Schools**

SEF will provide funding for a 3 year subscription to Reflex Math which is a game-based Math Fact Fluency computer program that helps build a strong math foundation through fun games emphasizing math facts. Teachers and students have greatly benefited from having access to this resource during the hybrid instruction model of learning due to COVID.

**FrontRow Juno FM Systems at Lincoln-Hubbard Elementary School**

SEF will provide funding for new FrontRow Juno FM Systems in 6 classrooms at Lincoln-Hubbard Elementary School. These systems will improve clarity of teacher instruction especially when wearing masks, decrease background noise, and enhance the overall student learning experience in these classrooms.

**Swank Motion Pictures Subscription at LCJSMS**

This grant will fund a one year subscription to Swank Motion Pictures, a K-12 video streaming service that provides access to a vast collection of copyright-friendly motion pictures and documentaries at LCJSMS.

**Summit High School Art Magazine**

This SEF grant will support the printing of the third issue of the SHS Art Magazine, *The Artifact*. This publication's goal is to promote the art and artists of SHS and is available in the late spring.

**Summit High School Keyboard and Audio Production Lab Equipment**

SEF will provide funding for the purchase of a new keyboard and audio production lab equipment for the Music Department at SHS. This equipment will provide a more modern, technologically enhanced educational experience for SHS music students.

**Books to Support US History II Curriculum at Summit High School**

This grant will fund the purchase of *March* by John Lewis for all students in US History II.

**New Sliding Whiteboard Panel Systems in 3 Math Classrooms at Summit High School**

SEF will provide funding for purchase of new Sliding Whiteboard Panel Systems in 3 math classrooms at SHS which will enhance instruction for in person and virtual math students.

**Canon Color Poster Printer for Summit High School Media Center**

This grant will provide funds for the purchase of a new Canon Color Poster Printer for the SHS Media Center which will be used by teachers, departments, administration, and extra-curricular clubs.

**New Wacom Intuos Drawing Tablets and Pens at Summit High School**

This grant will provide funding for new Wacom Boards for 6 math and 6 science classrooms at SHS to support virtual teaching.

**Kami Site License at Summit High School**

SEF will provide funds for a one year site license at SHS for Kami which provides a robust set of web-based tools that support enhanced feedback and multi-media, digital annotation.