



# Summary of Grant Awards to All Campuses Round Thirty-Seven (Spring 2019)

<p><b>Makers Need MORE Space!</b> <b>Spring Valley Elementary</b></p> <p>This grant brings hands-on STEAM opportunities for our students! It allows our students to experience STEAM in new, exciting and engaging ways. This is done by adding additional items and materials to our existing MakerSpace carts. We provide the students with even more opportunities to create, collaborate, communicate and use critical thinking by adding additional robotics and a 3D printer with curriculum to enhance our program.</p> <p>Amount Funded: \$5,145          Students Impacted: 500+          Expenditure per student: \$10.29</p> <p><b>Named Grant Sponsor: First National Bank of Central Texas</b>  <b>Primary Grant Writers: Kathleen Minshew, Kristi Ziegelt &amp; Teresa Byford</b></p>	<p><b>Building Global Advocates One 'C' at a Time</b> <b>South Bosque Elementary</b></p> <p>Students will broaden their understanding, awareness and empathy for others globally with the use of the 4-C's: critical thinking, collaboration, communication and creativity. They will deepen their skills as they navigate through the different books through the help of noise cancelling headphones. They use FlipGrid's new feature, GridPals to converse with students globally without worrying about the noise from their fellow students around them. They are encouraged to let their creativity soar through the use of the Green Screen Pop Up Tents, which will provide them a private place within the classroom to record videos using apps such as DoInk</p> <p>Amount Funded: \$2,055          Students Impacted: 132          Expenditure per student: \$17.06</p> <p><b>Named Grant Sponsor: John Houston Custom Homes</b>  <b>Primary Grant Writers: Kristen Taylor, Amber Brown &amp; Lindsey Pick</b></p>
<p><b>Filling up our Think Tanks!</b> <b>South Bosque Elementary</b></p> <p>The problems and activities within the Think Tank Series are designed to challenge students to work at a higher cognitive level in three areas of the math curriculum. These sets, along with two and a half hours of hands-on professional development at our campus equips our first through fourth grade teachers in leading our students to think and solve math at high cognitive levels. The series requires students to move beyond the recall of facts, formulas and known procedures. They will determine needed information, informally or formally develop a plan for solving the problem, and use multiple strategies.</p> <p>Amount Funded: \$5,000          Students Impacted: 669          Expenditure per student: \$7.47</p> <p><b>Named Grant Sponsor: Lone Star Truck Group - Waco</b>  <b>Primary Grant Writer: Neta Kaye Penson</b></p>	<p><b>The 3 Bears had JUST RIGHT Chairs</b> <b>South Bosque Elementary</b></p> <p>Flexible seating options help make the library meet the needs of its diverse population and allow for the flexibility of space and learning needs. The library is a place of community within a school that allows for simultaneous access by small and large groups and accommodate various activities and learning needs. Flexible seating is an evidence based practice that leads to improved student achievement. By changing the seating from traditional chairs at tables to flexible seating options, the space becomes innovative and better accommodates the various activities and learning needs of the individuals and groups that visit.</p> <p>Amount Funded: \$4,940          Students Impacted: 660          Expenditure per student: \$7.48</p> <p><b>Named Grant Sponsor: Phillip &amp; Erin Prince</b>  <b>Primary Grant Writer: Wendy Sustala</b></p>



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<p><b>Special Seats for Special Students</b> <b>Woodgate Intermediate</b></p> <p>This grant is used to purchase alternative seating to support academic success, specifically for students identified with learning disabilities, challenges in attention, English language learners (ELL), and at-risk students. Offering alternative seating choices, wobble stools, swivel task chair, etc., in classes that specifically serve these special children provides a means to increase engagement, attention and, ultimately, academic success.</p> <p>Amount Funded: \$1,920            Students Impacted: 200            Expenditure per student: \$9.60  <b>Named Grant Sponsor:</b> Bush's Chicken  <b>Primary Grant Writer:</b> Kim Bullajian</p>	<p><b>Projecting Sight Reading Success</b> <b>Woodgate Intermediate</b></p> <p>Sight-reading is the reading and performing of a piece of music or song in music notation that the performer has not seen before. "Projecting Sight Reading Success" is a program using technologies and curriculum to project content large enough for every student to see clearly. The curriculum provides a continuous supply of various materials from which to practice. Through these exercises, the content stays fresh, new and challenging. With daily practice, every student will have "Sight Reading Success!"</p> <p>Amount Funded: \$4,860            Students Impacted: 100            Expenditure per student: \$48.60  <b>Named Grant Sponsor:</b> Schlotzsky's Waco-Mike &amp; Kristen Pool  <b>Primary Grant Writer:</b> Caleb Overstreet</p>
<p><b>Oh What a "Relief" it is: Augmented Reality</b> <b>Topographic Sandbox</b> <b>Midway Middle School</b></p> <p>Obtaining an Augmented Reality Topographic Sandbox (ARTS) allows students to learn using sight and touch. Students are able to apply a tough concept to real life and move away from abstract learning. Our students are able to construct and destruct landforms in the sand, while a projector shows the different levels of elevation, as well as see where erosion has taken place.</p> <p>Amount Funded: \$7,240            Students Impacted: 1,275            Expenditure per student: \$5.68  <b>Named Grant Sponsor:</b> Lehigh White Cement Company  <b>Primary Grant Writer:</b> Whitney Taylor</p>	<p><b>Photography Potpourri</b> <b>Midway High School</b></p> <p>Professional photographers, journalists, and other media representatives often rely on their cameras, computers, and other large devices to do their jobs. Their tasks are often made easier thanks to accessories for those devices. There are a number of new camera accessories that our students would benefit from. Some of those are portable photo studio kit, foam board for photo displays, Altura photo professional flash kit, wireless remote shutter, etc. These tools serve to advance their already high-quality work.</p> <p>Amount Funded: \$1,085            Students Impacted: 150            Expenditure per student: \$7.23  <b>Named Grant Sponsor:</b> Parsons Roofing  <b>Primary Grant Writer:</b> Jamie Beavers</p>