



**RADNOR EDUCATIONAL
FOUNDATION**

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Summary Report of Approved

Grants School Year 2014-15

Fall 2014 Approved Grants

Grant Amount

- **Mindfulness at Radnor Middle School** **\$15,024**

This grant will support Everyday Mindfulness for Schools training at RMS with a second cohort of staff. Jenny Mills of Roots and Wings, LLC will train a new group of teachers (6th-8th) and support/specialist staff members on practical Mindfulness techniques that have been adapted and used successfully by middle school faculty and staff (Cohort One) within various settings at RMS.

Grant Proposer: Esther Purnell
- **Wayne Elementary Audio Books** **\$5,000**

Audio and e-books will be purchased for the WES library to implement the Language Arts curriculum with fidelity. The WES primary teachers will use the books in class instruction and listening centers.

Grant Proposers: WES Committee / Sue Dahlstrom
- **Ithan Elementary School Time Dance Residency** **\$3,000**

Contempra Dance Company will introduce a variety of dance styles to the children beginning with the roots of dance in African culture and then demonstrating dance styles from across the decades of the 20th and 21st century, including swing, 50's rock n roll, 70's discos, hip hop and more. This grant will support the cultural arts programming at IES.

Grant Proposer: Lisa Green
- **Elementary School Independent Readers** **\$7,960**

This grant will assist in funding the acquisition of early grade books for independent reading in the three elementary schools. Distribution of the books will continue to be facilitated through the school libraries.

Grant Proposers: Dr. Maureen McQuiggan / Sue Dahlstrom
- **Radnor Neighbors Helping Neighbors** **\$6,000**

This grant will provide funding to support RTSD social workers in addressing exigent financial emergencies faced by families of RTSD students.

Grant Proposers: Ceire Evans and Christine Hoffmann

Grant Amount

- **RTSD Teacher / Staff Enrichment through ISTE** **\$5,805.50**

The Instructional Technology Department will offer staff and teacher enrichment opportunities by providing up to 17 additional conference registrations for the 2015 International Society for Technology in Education Conference held in Philadelphia.

Grant Proposer: Joan Cusano
- **Radnor Center for Excellence Summer Intern Program** **\$5,000**

The Center for Excellence will implement a program to place RHS students in summer internships with local businesses.

Grant Proposers: Chris Massaro and Lisa Borowski
- **Radnor High School Book Club** **\$1,000**

E-books were purchased so that students at RHS have the opportunity to participate in a Book Club.

Grant Proposers: Michele Wetzel & Fran Misener
- **Radnor High School Composer in Residence** **\$3,000**

A composer in residence will create one or more new compositions for performance by the RHS Concert Bands and Honors Jazz Band.

Grant Proposer: Daniel Drew
- **Radnor Middle School Indonesian Batik** **\$2,800**

An artist in residence visited RMS to introduce the entire 6th Grade class to Indonesian batik as part of the study by the class of Indonesia's culture and geography. The batiks will be displayed in the sixth grade hallway.

Grant Proposer: Tom Rendulich
- **Radnor Middle School Schools to Watch** **\$5,396.25**

This grant will help support the efforts of a team of RMS faculty and staff in working toward a "School to Watch" designation, including support for community building activities and faculty / staff enrichment opportunities.

Grant Proposers: Beth Zigmont & Nicole Tuohey
- **Radnor Middle School Speak Up!** **\$3,500**

Speak Up! Is a local program that focuses on adolescent issues and increasing open and honest communication between parents and their children/ students.

Grant Proposer: Esther Purnell

Grant Amount

- **Wayne Elementary School Teacher / Staff Enrichment** **\$3,168.64**
Positive Behaviors Interventions and Support was implemented at WES this year in order to promote positive behavior, prevent problem behavior and implement a data based approach for addressing existing disciplinary issues and to improve academic performance.
Grant Proposer: Nancy Ferguson
- **Radnor High School Mindfulness** **\$8,329**
Jenny Mills of Roots and Wings, LLC will train a group of teachers and support/specialist staff members on practical Mindfulness techniques.
Grant Proposer: Mark Schellenger
- **IES Long Distance Learning with the Philadelphia Museum of Art** **\$360**
First grade students at IES participated in a 40-60 minute session of a “virtual” tour of the Philadelphia Museum of Art via the Smartboard in each class.
Grant Proposer: Trish Talone
- **RMS After School Tutoring Program** **\$5,900**
An after school tutoring program in which students can work with tutors on homework, study skills or play educational games.
Grant Proposer: Anthony Stevenson

Fall Grant Amount \$81,243.39

Winter 2015 Approved Grants

Grant Amount

- **RTSD Summer Theatre Program** **\$2,400**
This summer program will allow students to develop their creative abilities and appreciation of theatre beyond what is part of the school district’s curriculum. The program will be designed to expose students to both the writing and performance aspects of live theatre. It will be provided by an outside theater company to students in grades seven through twelve and will take place at Radnor Middle School.
Grant Proposer: Jim Kearney
- **RHS Freshman Foundations** **\$3,410**
Student services in conjunction with RHS Administration will conduct a seminar during the freshman orientation to address skills such as: note taking, study skills, organization and time management.
Grant Proposer: Amy Wildey and Kevin Kane

Winter Grant Amount \$5,810

Spring 2015 Approved Grants

Grant Amount

- **Horticulture at the RTSD Administration Building** **\$3,500**

This project is collaboration between RTSD Facilities Department and RMS Watershed. It involves construction of living walls, plant purchase: trees, shrubs, herbaceous, soil, seeds, containers, tools, and large colorful ceramic pots.

Grant Proposers: Jon Savitch, Banny Ackerman, Leo Bernabei

- **RHS Speak Up! (2014-2015)** **\$3,500**

Grant Proposer: Dave Stango
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- **IES Habitat and Rain Garden Project** **\$3,000**

This habitat restoration project will transform a degraded weedy area at the school that was overwhelmed by invasives into an area dominated by native plants.

Grant Proposer: John Nystedt
- **Reading Olympics in Elementary Schools (2015-2016)** **\$1,500**
- **Reading Olympics in Elementary Schools (2016-2017)** **\$1,500**

Students in all three elementary schools will have the opportunity to participate in Reading Olympics. The student will meet to discuss the books and will participate in a competition.

Grant Proposer: Sue Dahlstrom
- **K - 12 Summer Program Student Incentives** **Up to \$5,000**

This grant will fund incentives ("Book Bucks" which may be applied to the purchase by students of books at the end of the program) intended to encourage attendance and participation in RTSD summer instructional programming.

Grant Proposer: Maureen McQuiggan
- **IES Lego Robotics** **\$1,500**

The Lego Robotics Club at IES will purchase additional kits to accommodate additional students. In addition, new software is needed for the fifth grade students.

Grant Proposer: Jamie Forman

Grant Amount

- **RHS Robotics**

\$850

This after-school Robotics Team promotes interest and extends the current math, science, technology and engineering curriculum offered at the high school level. Students are challenged to build a robot using the Vex Robotics Design System to compete in the VEX Robotics Competition

Grant Proposer: Ken Delaney

Spring Grant Amount \$27,350

Total Approved Grant Amount 2014-2015

\$114,403.39