

2018-19 Grant Awards

ELEMENTARY AWARDS

After School Program – WES, Susan McGillivray

Grant Award: \$5,000

Funding supports an after-school program for underserved elementary school students hosted by **St. David's** church in collaboration with Wayne Elementary faculty.

Author Marla Frazee Visit – RES, Kristen Dudley

Grant Award: \$460

Author Marla Frazee visits RES K-2nd students to discuss the process of developing a story from an idea into an actual book.

Ball in the House Residency – WES, Cathy Mascioli

Grant Award: \$3,500

The Ball in the House programs teach the history of a capella singing from chant to doo wop through contemporary and classic cover songs as well as original works. This multi-day residency began with comprehensive workshops with every 3rd -5th grade music class and culminated with an assembly for all WES students.

Circus Week – RES, Kristen Dudley

Grant Award: \$3,000

The Philadelphia School of Circus Arts visited RES for this annual Cultural Arts program. The PSCA will conduct intensive classes with all 4^{th} grade students and will work with students in K-5 during wellness or PE classes. The program will culminate with a performance by 4^{th} graders for the school and their families.

Document Cameras - RES, Allison Gilbert

Grant Award: \$1,000

This grant purchases a document camera for each second grade classroom. The cameras will allow teachers to display materials on the Smartboard for the entire class to see easily and clearly, in real time.

Edventurist Program – RES, Chris Massaro

Grant Award: \$6,000

The Edventurist program is a 10-week venture incubator program for students 3rd-5th grades. The program is designed to help participating students develop their product and/or business ideas, prove concept and ultimately participate in the World Series of Entrepreneurship sponsored "Demo Day" and pitch their idea. The program is similar to program at RHS.

Flexible Seating – IES, Claire Jones

Grant Award: \$14,952

Through the use of flexible seating in classrooms, students are provided a choice in what kind of learning speace works best for them. Availability of a variety of seating and learning space can help students be more engaged in their learning.

School Supplies - WES, Susan Mutschler, Tracy Tracy

Grant Award: \$2,400

This grant supports our financially disadvantaged students by beginning the school year knowing they have all the school supplies they need for a successful year.

STEAM Library – Sue Dahlstrom, Melissa McCloy & Amy Piechotta Grant Award: \$3,000

During regularly scheduled library classes, librarians will design maker opportunities directly related to library learning targets. Maker activities provide hands on experiences which enable children to move about the classroom making their own choices about materials and methods. Since all students in the district have library class once per week, all district K-5 students will have the opportunity to participate.

Summer Reading Camp Incentives – Sue Dahlstrom & Maureen McQuiggan Grant Award: up to \$4,500

This summer, students scoring at least two levels below grade level are invited to participate in the Summer Reading Camp. These students represent some of RTSD's most vulnerable students. As an incentive to attend camp, we offer Book Bucks. On the last day of camp, students visit Children's Book World to choose any book they want using their Book Bucks and then enjoy a frozen yogurt treat.

Word Empowerment Mural – Anthony Rybarczyk

Grant Award: up to \$3,000

Through art, this project intends to continue building a sense of school community and improving the overall Social/Emotional Learning taking place at each elementary school building. The project will enhance and reinforce each building's approach to developing a school-wide positive behavior system

SECONDARY AWARDS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Girls Lead – Megan Lydon

Grant Award: \$5,005

In partnership with the **Women's Resource Center** this longstanding program focuses on developing positive decision making skills and enhancing the interests, abilities and character of middle school girls, resulting in increased self-esteem.

Mini-THON – Christine Dougherty

Grant Award: \$1,000

This event is designed to inspire teamwork, leadership and creativity among students, empowering youth through philanthropy and community service.

Ryan's Story - Clyde Diehl

Grant Award: \$900

Mr. John Halligan shared the story of his son Ryan as a means of addressing the issues of cyber-bullying, mental illness and suicide. These difficult topics were woven into a heartfelt message about a middle school boy and his battle with depression and a group of bullies.

SpeakUP! - Douglas Kent

Grant Award: \$3,500

SpeakUP! is a local nonprofit program focused on adolescent issues and increasing open and honest communication between parents, school personnel and students. The SpeakUP! team trains over 60 RMS students on leadership, communications and helping to organize the program.

HIGH SCHOOL

REF Internship Career Exploration Program – Chris Massaro

Grant Award: \$3,500

Funds support operational costs associated with program promotion, the interview process, and program evaluation with business and student participants in approximately forty career exploration internships.

ESY Incentive Program – Melisa Cavitella

Grant Award: \$1,319

This summer, students attending the Extended School Year program will be offered an incentive to regularly attend the camp. At the end of the program, students will tour Main Point Books and purchase a book and then walk to Playa Bowls for a snack.

Archives Renovation – Nick Camposano (student) & Kathy Pearsall (RHS teacher) Grant Award: \$5,000

This project would help ensure Radnor history is maintained, organized and displayed through renovation of the current archives. The grant funds new furniture and other materials that can properly store Radnor's archives including, shelving, archival sleeves, and an advanced scanner. Students and staff will be managing the project.

COMMUNITY AWARDS

Radnor Committee for Special Education – Nicky Mendez

Grant Award: \$2000

The RCSE Speaker Series is a coordinated effort to present professionals to the special education community with the goal of educating Radnor parents and professionals on a variety of relevant and desired topics. This year the committee invited Dr. Ross Greene to discuss the human side of having a child or student with behavioral challenges and the struggles faced by parents, educators and others.

Total grants awarded in 2018-19: \$73,576

The Radnor Educational Foundation Grants Committee meets three times during the academic year to consider grant applications submitted by teachers, administrators, parents and community members. Grant Champions and Liaisons are assigned who help shepherd the process. Guidelines for Submission are at: www.radnoreducationalfoundation.org/grant-process