



ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF MID-MISSOURI



2018-2019 LINKS TO LEARNING PROGRAM

Proposal Title: Powerful Picture Books: Making the Author/Book Connection

Reminders

- **No identifying information** such as school, mascot, principal and/or teacher's names should appear in the original proposal or itemized budget.
- Provide complete, clear and concise responses to each section listed below.
- Include the proposal title at the top of page 2 of the original proposal if using two pages.
- Original proposals must not exceed two pages and should be submitted as one-sided document.

1. Your proposal summary from the Cover Page. This summary is used by ALMM in Links to Learning publications.

This proposal provides pictures books for students to familiarize themselves with in preparation for our planned author experiences via Skype and school visit.

2. Explain the proposal for which funds are requested.

This summer I attended a literacy conference where I learned about utilizing Skype in the classroom for author visits. I was able to make many new connections with authors in attendance and already have multiple Skype visits lined up for the school year, including Skype sessions with Deborah Freedman, Laurie Keller, Josh Funk, and Carter Higgins. We are also very lucky this year to have an author visit scheduled at our school with Loren Long. For this proposal, I am requesting pictures books created by these amazing authors in preparation for these author experiences.

3. Describe the ways in which the purchased item(s) enhance student learning.

In preparation for our author experiences, I would like to introduce my students to a variety of picture books by each author. Students learning will be enhanced as they will become immersed in literature through Read Alouds of these books. Students also will have access to the picture books throughout the school year in our classroom library. The books will be used as part of our author studies, as mentor texts for writing and to spark classroom discussions. Having the extra connection of getting to "meet" the author via Skype or school visit, will make their learning even more meaningful and allow for questions to be posed and directed to the authors during their visit. In addition, I believe these books will help spark students love of reading and help them understand the reading/writing connection more fully.

4. List the methods for achieving the proposal's objective(s).

Once I receive the books, I will introduce the stories prior to our Skype sessions and author visit. Students will be exposed to the books multiple times before each author experience ensuring they are familiar with the texts. The books will become part of our classroom library so students can read them during independent reading and choice time. In the weeks leading up to each experience, we will read the books again and begin to formulate any questions or wonderings we might have. Following each author experience, the books will continue to be utilized, as students will then have personal connections to the books and authors.

5. Explain specifically how the proposal is measured and evaluated. Objectives must be measurable.

95% of students will be actively engaged in reading during Independent Reading. 90% of students will score proficient or higher on our DRA building spring assessment.

6. Attach the Itemized Budget Form.

Itemized Budget (All Items Via Amazon Pricing)

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ITEM	COST
Otis and the Scarecrow by Loren Long, 1 item @ \$14.39	\$14.39
The Case of the Stinky Stench (Lady Pancake & Sir French Toast) by Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$16.10	\$16.10
This House, Once by Deborah Freedman, 1 item @ \$9.98	\$9.98
How to Code a Sandcastle by Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$13.24	\$13.24
Arnie, the Doughnut (The Adventures of Arnie the Doughnut) by Laurie Keller, 1 item @ \$11.01	\$11.01
Blue Chicken by Deborah Freedman, 1 item @ \$13.46	\$13.46
Otis and the Tornado by Loren Long, 1 item @ \$14.39	\$14.39
Shy by Deborah Freedman, 1 item @ \$10.93	\$10.93
Everything You Need for a Treehouse by Carter Higgins, 1 item @ \$14.06	\$14.06
Otis by Loren Long, 1 item @ \$14.39	\$14.39
Albie Newton by Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$14.78	\$14.78
Otis and the Puppy by Loren Long, 1 item @ \$14.39	\$14.39
Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners by Laurie Keller, 1 item @ \$7.99	\$7.99
It's Not Jack and the Beanstalk by Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$7.99	\$7.99
Little Tree by Loren Long, 1 item @ \$14.39	\$14.39
Otis and the Kittens by Loren Long, 1 item @ \$14.98	\$14.98
An Otis Christmas by Loren Long, 1 item @ \$13.49	\$13.49
The Story of Fish and Snail by Deborah Freedman, 1 item @ \$14.29	\$14.29
Elephant and Piggie Like Reading! We are Growing! By Mo Willems, 1 item @ \$9.99	
This is Not a Valentine by Carter Higgins, 1 item @ \$4.69	\$4.69
Dear Dragon: A Pen Pal Tale by Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$13.69	\$13.69
Lady Pancake & Sir French Toast by Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$10.46	\$10.46
Pirasaurs! By Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$12.36	\$12.36
Love by Matt de la Pena, 1 item @ \$14.86	\$14.86
Potato Pants! By Laurie Keller, 1 item @ \$17.99	\$17.99
Lost in the Library: A Story of Patience & Fortitude by Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$17.99	\$17.99
Mission Defrostable (Lady Pancake & Sir French Toast) by Josh Funk, 1 item @ \$13.44	\$13.44
Tax and/or Shipping and Handling	\$20.02
Proposal Total	\$368.68