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# **Funded Enrichment Grants**

Fall 2025



# GRANT SUMMARY

## What are enrichment grants?

Enrichment grants are for programs, projects, or materials that enhance the learning environment and experience of students and address specific, currently unmet needs.

Anyone in the school staff community may apply for enrichment grants that benefit single classes or subsets of students.

Thank you to the generosity of our families and donors who made it possible for us to fund such engaging projects!

- Projects Funded: 9
- Amount Funded: \$7314.38



## Project 1: Storyworks

**Funded Amount:**  
**\$779.63**

**Reach:**  
**5th Grade**

**Grant Proposed By:**

Mrs. Eschbach, 5th Grade Teacher

## Description and Purpose:

Storyworks raises student achievement by aligning lessons to instructional goals with built-in correlations to state and national standards. It easily integrates our resources with our core literacy program. Storyworks can match up with our units and skills, seamlessly fitting into the curriculum. It has more resources than just the magazine and can also be used in other content areas for cross curricular integration.

**From Mrs. Eschbach:** I have been using this resource for over 10 years and have paid for it out of pocket most years, because I love it. 5th grade has an outdated ELA Curriculum and could use this boost of something new for all of 5th grade.



## Project 2: I Know It Subscription

Funded Amount:  
\$300

Reach:  
3rd grade

### Description and Purpose:

“I Know It” is a math program that provides differentiated digital math assignments as well as offers spiral learning of math skills throughout the year to help students prepare for the PSSAs.

Learn more [here](#).

Each \$150 subscription covers 25 students. This grant asks for \$300 to cover both third grade classes.

### Grant Proposed By:

Mrs. DeNenno and Mrs. Hughes  
3rd Grade Teachers

The screenshot shows the I Know It user interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Math', 'ELA', and grade levels 'K', '1', '2', '3', '4', '5'. The '3' for Third Grade is highlighted. Below this, there are tabs for 'Students', 'Assignments', and 'Progress'. A secondary bar shows '3 Third Grade' with 'MATH' and 'ELA' options. A message says 'Click to assign up to 8 multiple assignments.' Below are two main content areas: 'Numbers + Place Value' and 'Fractions'. Each area has a list of topics with checkboxes and 'CC' icons.

Numbers + Place Value	Fractions
Place Value (Up to 9,999)	Fractions of Shapes
Place Value (Up to 99,999)	Fractions of Sets
Digit Values (Numbers Up to 99,999)	Fractions on Number Lines
Comparing Numbers to 99,999	Equivalent Fractions
Digit Values (Numbers Up to 999,999)	Simplifying Fractions
Place Value (Up to 999,999)	Estimating Benchmark Fractions
Comparing Numbers to 999,999	Ordering and Comparing Fractions



**Project 3:  
Student Ambassadors**

**Funded Amount:  
\$1000**

**Reach:  
Student Ambassadors  
Entire School**

**Grant Proposed By:**

Charlotte DeNenno and Chris Dewees,  
Student Ambassadors Club

**Description and Purpose:**

We are starting up a leadership/community service club for fourth and fifth grade students and will need funds for the activities we plan to do this year: Veterans Day Assembly, Welcome packets/bags for new students to CFES, the Birdhouse Community Service Project, and more.

These funds will cover a variety of projects over the 3 student activity periods.



## **Project 4: Greenhouse Rain Barrel Platforms**

**Funded Amount:  
\$40**

**Reach:  
5th grade and  
Greenhouse Club**

### **Grant Proposed By:**

Mrs. Doyer, 5th Grade Teacher &  
Environmental Club Lead

### **Description and Purpose:**

This will cover the cost of the lumber needed to create two platforms for our rain barrels. Students will be able to see how water conservation efforts tie into the sustainability goals of our greenhouse project. This will also build their background knowledge for learning new information about healthy ecosystems within our science units of study.



This will cover lumber needed from Home Depot.



## **Project 5: Parachutes**

**Funded Amount:**  
**\$1264.76**

**Reach:**  
**All grade levels**

### **Grant Proposed By:**

Justin Braim, PE

### **Description and Purpose:**

This grant will provide new parachutes for the physical education program. It's main purpose will be to replace the parachutes for May Fair. It also will be helpful in providing cooperative activities for students, especially kindergarten starting PE for the first time.

The 2 sizes are necessary for different class sizes. The 24' fits a maximum of 20 students for smaller class sizes. The 30' fits a maximum of 24 students for larger class sizes.

4 total parachuters (2x 24' diameter and 2x30' diameter)



## **Project 6: Lego Club Kit Support**

**Funded Amount:  
\$200**

**Reach:  
Lego Club Student  
Activity - 3 sessions**

**Grant Proposed By:**

Derek Sciecinski, Lego Club

### **Description and Purpose:**

Lego is a very versatile and fun learning tool for kids. Through building with Lego students can work on sensory and motor skills, problem solving, and social/emotional skills. Plus students can be as creative as they like with Lego. It is a fun product because it combines things such as mathematical thinking and artistic creation. I think it would be fun to purchase general Lego supplies/parts, as well as specific sets the kids could work on collaboratively.

These legos will go into our school lego supply for all students to use. They will initially be used by the Lego Club.



**Project 7:**  
**“UKE Can Do It!”**  
**Ukeleles for CFES Music**

**Funded Amount:**  
**\$1,929.99**

**Reach:**  
**4th & 5th Grade**  
**Classrooms**

**Grant Proposed By:**

Libby Corbett, Music

**Description and Purpose:**

In the spring semester, 4th and 5th grade students at CFE will participate in a ukulele unit as part of the general music curriculum. This engaging and educational unit will cover musical concepts including tuning, strumming patterns and rhythm, chordal accompaniment, melody, and singing while playing. Students will have the opportunity to apply these skills while playing along to familiar and popular songs. This unit fosters creativity, collaboration, and confidence through hands-on music-making.

The ukuleles will be used regularly during a 3-month unit in every 4th and 5th grade general music class in the spring semester. During this unit, students will use the ukuleles in each class session to build and reinforce musical skills. Additionally, I am open to the possibility of the ukuleles being incorporated into school performances, allowing students to showcase their learning in a fun and engaging way.

**Option A:** Classroom set of 30 for \$1929.99 (includes helpful accessories for teaching and instrument care, including extra strings)

**Option B:** 2 smaller sets of 10 and 5 individual ukuleles (25 total) for \$1644.98 + \$30 for shipping (does not include extra materials for the five individual ukuleles)

See more details [here](#).



**Project 8:  
Flexible Seating**

**Funded Amount:  
\$200**

**Reach:  
Twenty 5th graders in  
Deweese's class**

**Grant Proposed By:**

Mrs. Dewees, 5th Grade Teacher

**Description and Purpose:**

Since we are the only 5th grade class downstairs, the students in my class do not have daily access to the "Penthouse" with its flex seating options like the tall cafe tables in the upstairs hallway. My students like to have the option to complete independent work in the hallway but they sit directly on the floor. I would like them to have some more comfortable seating options for when they request the option to work in the hallway. These folding stadium seats can be easily stored in the classroom when not in use.

Cost: 4 seats @ \$40/ each = \$200



## Project 9: LEGO SPIKE Prime

**Funded Amount:  
\$800**

**Reach:  
3rd-5th grade students**

**Grant Proposed By:**

Mike McGarvey, Technology

## Description and Purpose:

This grant proposal requests funding for LEGO® Education SPIKE™ Prime robotics kits to expand hands-on STEM learning in grades 3–5. These robotics kits combine LEGO building elements with block-based and Python coding, empowering students to design, build, and program their own creations. Our students have had tremendous success with Sphero Bolts and 3D printing. Adding LEGO SPIKE Prime kits will provide a unique and highly visual entry point into robotics and engineering. While Spheros focus on movement and coding logic, SPIKE integrates mechanical engineering concepts like gears, sensors, and motors. This ensures students are exposed to a broad range of STEM disciplines during coding units.

**Currently, our elementary technology program does not have a dedicated robotics platform that blends building, creativity, and coding.**

**Each kit is \$400.**

