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CCHS District 165 Education Foundation Awards Grants for the 2026-27 School Year

Martin L. Daesch, Chairperson of the Carbondale Community High School District 165 Education Foundation, announced today that the CCHS Education Foundation awarded 27 grants, totaling $20,819.66 to faculty and staff of CCHS for projects and activities for the 2026-27 school year.

The Foundation grant program was initiated in 1999 to assist and enhance the educational programs of CCHS. Since its inception, the CCHS Foundation has awarded 672 grants to faculty and staff, totaling over $296,156.00.

Information regarding the CCHS Education Foundation is available on the web at http://www.cchs165.jacksn.k12.il.us or by contacting Daniel Booth Ed.D., Superintendent of Carbondale Community High School District 165, at (618) 457-4722.

May 12, 2026

Applicant/Group	Awarded
Levi Biedermann/Art Dept - Sculpture	$1,000.00
Levi Biedermann/Art Dept – Photography	$1,000.00
Bryan Lee-CJ Buss/NOLA Trip	$1,500.00
Christi McGee/FBLA	$2,000.00
Tracie Shackles-Kara Lazdinis/Science Dept	$552.00
Tracie Shackles-Carrie Mueller/Science Dept	$2,000.00
Stacey Massie/Science Dept	$941.96
Levi Milliron/Science Dept	$503.00
Michelle Buchheit/Science Dept	$500.00
Fayth Smith/Science Dept	$833.33
Lena Dierks/AP Testing Fees	$1,000.00
Catherine Jerrells/Foods	$561.25
Jane Rendon/World Languages	$150.00
Melisa Lopez/World Languages	$1,000.00
Brandi Jones/Student Council	$500.00
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Brandi Jones/Yearbook Camera	$500.00
Brandi Jones/Yearbook Conference	$500.00
Dawn Bassett/Model UN	$500.00
Andrew Gwinup/Math	$528.12
Amy Prudencio/PBIS	$2,000.00
Amy Prudencio-Melinda Pierson/Social Worker	$1,000.00
Brenda Krutsinger/Counseling Support	$250.00
Lyndsey Walls/Counseling Support	$250.00
Angie Moeller/Counseling Support	$250.00
Caitlin Klaybor/Counseling Support	$250.00
Caitlin Klaybor/College and Career	$250.00
Total	**$20,819.66**