

2022-2023 Mini Grants

Grant #	Campus	Recipient	Month & Year	Amount Awarded	Grant Title	Description
1	CMS	Christine Price	Sept. 2022	\$490.00	Leadership Begins with Service	Leaders lead by serving others and showing leadership, not just by giving others instructions. These grants funds will be used to purchase resources to start two community service projects: the food distribution project and the pen pal project with Magee Intermediate. These projects will not only make a lasting impact on the students that participate, but also on our community.
2	CMS	Sarah Visos	Sept. 2022	\$230.73	Swingline 3-Ring Hole Punch	Students will create science binders from the guided notes they made using Google Slides. Since the notes will need to be put in a 3-hole binder, the 3-ring hole puncher will be an efficient way to make science binders for three 8th grade science teachers.
3	Magee	Erica Eicher-Hernandez	Sept. 2022	\$497.02	Bridging the Gap	Reading centers are an important part of literacy instruction. They help students get back into the groove of engaged learning while the teacher facilitates vital small group interventions. The grants funds will be used to purchase reading center materials, activities, and resources that will diversify the learning experiences that students encounter during their daily literacy stations.
4	CHS	Cassandra Lopez	Sept. 2022	\$438	Maneuvering the Middle: All Access to Algebra I	Maneuvering the Middle provides curriculum, designed by teachers, to help engage students and meet Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) standards. Curriculum includes hands-on cooperative learning activities and scaffolded content to make students excited to work together to solve problems in Algebra I.
5	Magee/West	Wimberly Rose	Sept. 2022	\$380	Music Connects the Students!	This portable Bluetooth stereo speaker with CD player and karaoke microphone ports will be used in the Fine Arts classroom, cafeteria, and gym. It will be also be used at events such as Turkey Trot, PE related events, school dances, and talents shows that would CONNECT
6	WRE	Stella Moore	Sept. 2022	\$498.52	Flexible Seating	A flexible classroom is a learning environment where traditional seating is replaced with stackable stools, floor cushions, and donut balls and gives students the opportunity to pick their own seats. Research shows that when students have the option to wobble, rock, bounce, lean, or stand, it increases the oxygen flow to their brain which in return leads to keeping their minds more alert and focused.

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7	CMS	Jessica Perez	Sept. 2022	\$184	Maneuvering the Middle: All Access to Algebra I	Maneuvering the Middle provides curriculum, designed by teachers, to help engage students and meet Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) standards. Curriculum includes hands-on cooperative learning activities and scaffolded content to make students excited to work together to solve problems in Algebra I.
8	Magee	Lisa Naranjo	Oct. 2022	\$343.48	Maslow's Before Blooms	"Maslow's before Blooms" suggests that in order for a student to effectively participate in the educational process (Bloom), they must first have their basic needs met (Maslow). Funds will be used to create a safe, peaceful, environment known as the "counseling corner" that will have books, activities, sensory items and other resources available to help students who are struggling socially or emotionally learn coping strategies.
9	CMS	Kirsti Hadlock	Oct. 2022	\$394.20	K'nex Education STEM Explorations: Roller Coaster Building	Students will use the K'nex Education STEM Roller Coaster Building Kit to build a variety of roller coasters to model potential/kinetic energy, balanced/unbalanced forces, model Newton's 3 Laws of Motion and more.
10	Magee	Jonell Jechorek	Oct. 2022	\$497.02	Closing the Gap	Grant funds will be used to purchase math materials, activities, and resources to create math stations that will help students get back in the groove of engaged learning. This will allow the teacher to meet with students who are struggling to focus on closing learning gaps by reinforcing math skills throughout the year.
11	West	Jessica Buentello	Nov. 2022	\$499.33	Technology at their "Fingerprints"	Keyboard covers, known as speed skins, for Chromebooks, wired headphones, and a wired mouse will be added to the Technology/Keyboarding classrooms at West Intermediate. Students will learn keyboarding and basic word processing. The headphones and mouse will help develop skills with programs being used. The speed skins will allow students to develop proper typing skills to become more efficient in class and learn lifelong skills that will make them more successful in the future.

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12	CMS	Jared LaPoint	Nov. 2022	\$471.14	"Fold and Flip for Math"	Students will use higher-level thinking skills to create foldable, interactive notes from bundles of assorted colored sheets purchased with grant funds to review for the 8th grade Mathematics STAAR test. These interactive notes will help students practice the concepts that have been taught.
13	CMS	Tara Perry	Nov. 2022	\$401.48	"Fold and Flip for Math"	Students will use higher-level thinking skills to create foldable, interactive notes from bundles of assorted colored sheets purchased with grant funds to review for the 8th grade Mathematics STAAR test. These interactive notes will help students practice the concepts that have been taught.
14	East	Heather Emshoff	Nov. 2022	\$433.98	"CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW??"	Public speaking takes on another level, with this portable speaker system that comes with engaging LED lights. The portable speaker system will also be used for afternoon dismissal, Fall Fest, STEM night, parades, and other school wide celebrations.
15	Star Building for Magee/West	Amanda Kirchoff	Feb. 2023	\$498.72	Cultivating Calallen (School Garden)	All 4th grade students will experience a hands-on opportunity to apply their learning from the classroom into cultivating a school garden. They will be actively involved with the germination process, exploring soil composition, comparing life cycles of plants, photosynthesis, and problem-solving techniques that arise with caring for a garden. Students will take weekly measurements and notate plant growth, rainfall amounts, temperature, and write reflections from their observations
16	West	Kayla Otahal	Feb. 2023	\$308.95	Capturing STEM	A Makerspace is a designated area of the classroom or school in which students learn to use materials and tools to create something unique. These grant funds will be used to continue to expand the classroom makerspace by adding in more technology aspects. STEM challenges would be com-

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17	West	Larissa Quintanilla	Feb. 2023	\$376.00	Camp Rock STAAR	The 4th grade math department has put together a themed STAAR prep called Camp Rock STAAR. We have designed Camp Rock STAAR so that as students' progress through the STAAR prep they are earning incentives keeping their engagement heightened. Students will also be making a file foldable that has all the TEKS, skills, and strategies that go along with our 4 main subcategories (whole number operations, fractions, decimals, and geometry). The foldable will help re-introduce the TEK and its strategies. Each TEK will be color coded to help distinguish one TEK from another, this also helps all our visual learners. Camp Rock STAAR will take place over 17 days leading up to the math STAAR test in early May. These incentives, colored paper, and file folders will help to enhance and engage students as we prepare for the STAAR season.
18	Magee	Ruben Gonzalez	Feb. 2023	\$376.00	Camp Rock STAAR	The 4th grade math department has put together a themed STAAR prep called Camp Rock STAAR. We have designed Camp Rock STAAR so that as students' progress through the STAAR prep they are earning incentives keeping their engagement heightened. Students will also be making a file foldable that has all the TEKS, skills, and strategies that go along with our 4 main subcategories (whole number operations, fractions, decimals, and geometry). The foldable will help re-introduce the TEK and its strategies. Each TEK will be color coded to help distinguish one TEK from another, this also helps all our visual learners. Camp Rock STAAR will take place over 17 days leading up to the math STAAR test in early May. These incentives, colored paper, and file folders will help to enhance and engage students as we prepare for the STAAR season.
19	West	Elisabeth Valadez	Mar. 2023	\$495.10	Listen Up!	Noise cancelling headphones, purchased with grant funds, will give students the ability to participate in online learning without being disturbed by others around them.

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20	West	Charlene Sandroussi & Wilma Cavazos	Apr. 2023	\$421.72	"Floor is Lava"	Play fosters cognitive growth which is essential to health brain development. Grant funds will be used to purchase sets of balance river stepping stones, colored paper, sheet protectors, and laminating sheets. The stones will be laid out on the floor and labeled with numbers, vocabulary, facts, or models to reinforce a multitude of skills and concepts. Students will have to step on "stones" to answer questions, without "falling" in the "lava."
21	Magee	Lindsey Marek	Apr. 2023	\$474.15	Not so "Board" Literacy Stations	Fifteen different literacy stations will be created to help refine skills such as comprehension, vocabulary, spelling, multiple genres and more! The stations will allow students to learn in a variety of ways. Through the use of hands-on, interactive stations, students will build time management skills, team collaboration, as well as social skills such as following directions and student participation.
22	Magee	Karen Story	Apr. 2023	\$218.95	Fast Track to Reading!	According to Science of Reading research, the most effective way to teach phonics is through systematic, explicit phonics instruction followed by opportunities for students to read text that target new skills. Hello Phonics is a structured literacy routine for differentiating phonics skill instruction with decodable text for individual and group lessons. It is skill based reading instruction
23	Magee & West	Wimberley Rose & Kristy Trevino	Apr. 2023	\$474.97	Color My Muscles and Bounce to the Beat- Integrating Physical Education with the ARTS	Art and physical education are usually thought of as different fields, but integrating them can benefit students. For kids reluctant to learn about art, using physical activity will have them jumping at the chance. For kids who don't like to participate in gym class, the artistic components of the lessons will keep them engaged and active. With this grant, basketballs, colored powder, and canvas drop cloths for painting will be purchased to be used during PLC/Focus Friday's and adventure days.

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24	CISD	Maggie Fowler	May 2023	\$495	QPR for Suicide Prevention	Funds will be used to attend a QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Trainer Certification Course online. The training will be shared with all those that want to be trained and will help faculty and staff implement social-emotional learning standards for their students based on the core SEL competencies outlined by the Collaborative for Academics and Social-Emotional Learning.
25	West	Nikki Schrank	May 2023	\$491.03	Science Workshop & STEM— Classroom Maker Space and STEM stations	Kids are natural thinkers, explorers, and inventors, they just need help sometimes pulling those skills out of them. A maker space in the classroom would allow students to plan, research, construct, and analyze a wide variety of STEM projects. STEM stations would be used for extended instruction, small groups, and early finishers.

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