

SPECIAL AWARDS

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LORAIN GEE
GROWING OUR OWN

Dave & Laurie Wall Award

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REBECCA HAAG

ACADECA EXPLORES OUR CHANGING CLIMATE
SARAH EVANS
ART IN THE COSMOS

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for Literature

ALISSA MCGONIGAL

BOOKS BUILD CHARACTER & FLUENCY

Betty Ann Diehl Award

for Music & Arts

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HOPE MUSIC ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

PAFE MISSION

To promote excellence in education and broad-based community support for the Lake Pend Oreille School District. As an independent organization, we will create and sustain an endowment to provide resources in support of effective teaching, learning and school management.

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2024-2025



*Celebrating our
Lake Pend Oreille School District
Educators*

Grant recipients will
be receiving a total of
\$109,550
for the 2024-2025
school year!

2024- 2025 Teacher Grant Awards

Buster School Bus Safety Program – James Koehler, District Wide \$1,994

LPOSD Elementary students will learn fundamental school bus safety techniques and be more aware of the world around them with Buster, a fully animated school bus robot.

Pend Oreille Water Festival – Abby Leisy, District Wide \$1,600

The Water Festival is an environmental education program that allows 5th grade students to learn about the watershed first-hand with interactive in-class lessons and an outdoor field trip.

Art in the Cosmos – Sarah Evans, Forrest Bird Charter School \$194

After careful observation and identification of geologic and atmospheric features of our solar system found in NASA images, students will be challenged to create a piece of art inspired by the images.

Kaleidoscope – Amy Stephensen, District Wide \$2,500

Students in grades 5-6 will be taught foundational skills in the visual arts with opportunities for creative expression and reflection.

Digging into Money: Classroom Economy – Nichelle Gau, Farmin/Stidwell Elem. \$926

Second grade students will connect their math lessons with real life experiences by earning (fake) money then saving and/or spending money in their classroom economy.

Growing Our Own – Loraine Gee, Farmin/Stidwell, Kootenai & Southside Elem. \$3,000

Local high school students who are interested in a career in education can gain experience in the field as paid tutors in the after-school program in subjects such as reading, math, sight words, etc.

AcaDeca Explores Our Changing Climate – Rebecca Haag, Sandpoint High School, \$3,450

SHS Academic Decathlon students will study Our Changing Climate as they prepare for local, state and national competitions.

STEM Squad – Betsy Dalessio, Farmin/Stidwell Elem. \$3,000

Students will have an opportunity for hands-on extension and enrichment activities after school to explore their interests and to challenge their thinking in science, technology, engineering & math.

Northside Arts Integration – Shantelle Gillis, Northside Elem. \$4,590

Students will create works of art using modes such as watercolors, clay and oil pastels. These projects will brighten the school hallways, be featured during conferences and be displayed in the Sandpoint community.

3D Design – Amanda Johnson, Sandpoint Middle School \$2,550

With the purchase of two 3D printers, students can bring their pre-engineering 3D designs to life.

The Musical Has Returned – Jeannie Hunter, Sandpoint High School \$5,000

With the purchase of the royalty and rental fees, students age 8-18 can showcase their talents in the production of Disney's "Moana Jr."

Sagle's Character Development Learning Kits – Ashley Delucchi, Sagle Elem. \$478

With the purchase of these kits, K-6th grade students will have the opportunity to development skills in the area of self-awareness, self-control, self-regulation, social skills and responsible decision-making.

Books Build Character and Fluency – Alissa McGonigal, Home School Academy \$2,000

With the purchase of leveled readers and books that support positive behavior systems the homeschool library can expand so students can learn about character traits that are critical for success in life.

SOLE Snow School – Mary Kaun, District Wide \$6,800

LPOSD 5th grade students will experience a 3-day place-based experimental education program, learning about the local watershed from the mountains to the lake with classroom and on location learning activities.

Cougar Community Connections – Natassia Hamer, Washington Elem. \$3,000

Students will be invited to participate in engaging activities, choosing workshops of interest taught by staff and community members.

Ovations – Amy Stephensen, District Wide \$2,500

Students will experience performing art education with the goal of providing developmentally based performance art exposure, a platform for creative expression, and the opportunity for reflection and critiques.

The Self-Regulation Project – Jennifer Smith, Southside Elem. \$1,100

Elementary students can learn to self-manage their emotions and behaviors at this non-punitive space, using pre-taught tools to help them proactively manage their feelings and return to a state of learning readiness.

The Power of Play – Michelle McNelley, District Wide \$5,000

LPOSD Kindergarten students will experience the joy of play through self-directed and self-chosen activities. They will cultivate imaginary, dramatic and constructive opportunities to build strong classroom relationships.

Hope Music Enhancement Program – Russel Richins, Hope Elem. \$3,716

K-6th grade students will better enjoy their music experience with new audio equipment and updated instruments.

Classroom Rug – Ashley Delucchi, Sagle Elem. \$380

With the purchase of a new classroom rug, students can have a dedicated area for play, circle time, and story time while encouraging good classroom flow and movement.

We all EXCEL with IXL! – Deanna Giard, Sagle Elem. \$2,475

Students will benefit from this IXL program giving them independent practice in reading and writing strategies, reading foundations, vocabulary, grammar and mechanics.

Personal Finance for SEC Students – Michael Challinor, Clark Fork Jr/Sr High School \$670

Students in the Services for Exceptional Children program will prepare for life after high school with a feasible action plan to face the financial environment of a young adult.

IXL Software for Math – Netha Storey, Sandpoint Middle School \$5,750

Sandpoint Middle School students will continue to learn math proficiency and mastery through IXL, a supplemental math skills program with unlimited online practice and remediation in all math topics.

College 101, Part 2! – Jeralyn Mire, Sandpoint High School \$4,300

Upgrading the College 101 grant, this class will guide students in understanding and reaching their post-secondary goals.

Using STEAM to Build Leadership & Problem-solving skills – Cody Spencer, Hope Elem. \$3,050

2nd-6th grade students will use robots to strengthen the fundamentals of problem-solving, STEAM, and computer science principles while encouraging open-ended and imaginative learning with real-life scenarios.

Outdoor Xperiences! – Amanda Balera, Sandpoint Middle School \$2,500

By purchasing real outdoor equipment, students will extend their learning beyond the walls of the school and provide more applicable and practical life experiences that will last forever.

Help our Garden Grow – Alissa McGonigal, Home School Academy \$3,000

Students taking Horticulture will learn about the needs of the plant, different plant varieties, native plants and harvest the bounty in the Fall with the purchase of a new irrigation drip system.

FAME Conference – Jessica Hanna, District Wide \$3,117

Attending this conference will enhance the current music lessons for K-5th grade LPOSD students. In-person training of the current music lessons will allow for a deeper understanding of the lesson implementation.

Egg-Cellent Readers – Krystal Travers, Kootenai & Farmin/Stidwell Elem. \$3,000

K-2nd grade students will use Reading Eggs to improve on the critical skill of reading to learn. This online platform is an interactive, online supplemental reading intervention that is extremely engaging for kids.

Microphone for Musicals – Jeannie Hunter, Sandpoint High School \$1,295

In order to be heard clearly, students and their audience will benefit from ear set microphones.

Clark Fork CTE Investment Grant – Phil Kemink, Clark Fork Jr/Sr High School \$8,000

8th-12th grade students participating in the CTE program will have the supplies they need to make hands-on projects.

Library Revitalization – Derek Dickinson, Sandpoint High School \$9,000

With the purchase of new books and furniture, a virtually unused space will transform to a place of learning, collaboration, reading and relaxing.

Stop the Reverb – Jeannie Hunter, Sandpoint High School \$901

Purchasing the equipment needed, students will construct and hang acoustic panels to stop the reverberation that occurs in the auditorium.

Headsets for Higher Learning – Heidi Dorman, Lake Pend Oreille High School \$150

This grant will provide headsets necessary for students with sensory disruptions, individual education plans and disabilities.

Charged Up and Ready for Class – Allison Sletager, Sandpoint High School \$300

With the purchase of powerstrip towers, students will benefit from extra places to charge their chrome books in order to be ready for class.

Sensory Seating – Scout Anatricia, Forrest Bird Charter School \$500

Special Education students will benefit from these seats as the movement helps them tune their brain into listening to lectures, reading an article or writing an assignment.

Lunchtime Activities – Christopher Taylor, Sandpoint High School \$1,060

With the goal of keeping students on campus for lunch, the purchase of more lunchtime activities will encourage students to interact with other students, be safe and stay active.

Library Chair Improvement Project – Cindy Kiebert, Hope Elem. \$5,054

To make the library more accessible, new library chairs provide all students a better learning experience and a schoolwide ability to utilize this space for years to come.

Soaring into Reading with IXL – Trish Butler, Kootenai Elem. \$1,650

2nd-6th grade students will benefit from this engaging non-game platform with individualized lessons to provide extra support, enrichment and/or extension for each student.

Congratulations!