

# Fine Arts

## **Fine Arts Enrichment Program**

This program will provide all grades with educational and culturally enriching Fine Arts performances. A wide array of diverse programming is planned for the coming year thanks to the tremendous efforts of the APT Fine Arts Committee.

## **Commissioned Choir Project**

This grant will assist District 67 in the funding of the Guest Composer for the 2012-13 Choir Commission at DPM. The selected composer, Dr. Rollo Dilworth, will compose a piece expressly for DPM and work with our DPM choir students fine-tuning their performance of the piece. The piece will be premiered in October 2012.

## **Pottery Wheel**

This grant will purchase a pottery wheel for Everett School's art room for use in the 1st - 4th grade art curriculum. The wheel will allow for a new art form to be introduced into the classroom while providing a new way to enhance motor skills and coordination.

# Language Arts

## **Visiting Author Program**

Through promoting interaction with published authors, the Visiting Author program helps bring the creative writing process to life in a meaningful and accessible way for all students in Grades K-8. The Spirit thanks the APT Visiting Author Committee for their commitment to this program.

## **Monarch & Bluestem Award Books**

Two complete sets of the 2012 Monarch and Bluestem Award books will be provided to each of the elementary schools. These award winning books are always popular with the students and this grant will allow for more accessibility for student check out.

## **Eval-u-write**

This is a grant for an online writing evaluation service for 5th & 6th grade students. The service allows student work to be reviewed for grammar, spelling, evaluation of main ideas and supporting details with instant feedback to the students.

## **Lindamood-Bell Lips Program**

Two complete sets of this popular phonemic awareness program will be provided to Everett School for use with Kindergarten students who are working on letter/sound association.

## **Elaine Buckardt - Exploring Non-Fiction Texts**

This grant will provided nonfiction science and social studies texts for use in the classroom guided reading instruction. The addition of these books into the guided reading program will build nonfiction comprehension strategies, increase vocabulary, and build background knowledge on a variety of topics.

## **Math**

### **Smart Boards for Math**

This grant provides a Smart Board for the math classroom used by students receiving tiered intervention. The Smart Board allows for examples and notes that will be vividly portrayed using color and allow for hands-on manipulation. This method of teaching math helps students be more engaged. The use of Smart Boards prepares students for similar methods of teaching that are used in the Lake Forest High School Math Department.

## **Science**

### **Go Low-Flow**

This grant will allow for the purchase of low-flow faucets for all Everett School classrooms. The impact on water usage of the installation of these filters will be measured by students and the results will be integrated into the Science and Explore curriculum.

## **Social Studies**

### **Cultural Fairs**

Cultural Fairs for sixth graders will revolve around the study of Southwest Asia, Africa, and Asia. The cultural fairs integrate social studies with fine arts, science, language arts and world language to bring the students a holistic experience. This grant helps provided programs and presenters for the Culture Fairs.

### **Physical Map & Presentation Equipment**

A 6 x 9 foot physical map that is not boundary oriented will be provided for the sixth grade Social Studies program along with enhanced presentation equipment for the classroom where the map will be housed.

## **Wellness**

### **Cardiovascular Bikes**

Eight stationary bikes with integrated heart rate monitors will be provided to the DPM student fitness center.

### **Norm Erickson - Strapless Heart Rate Monitors**

This grant will provide heart rate monitors in a forearm wrist design for use in the 7th & 8th grade Wellness Program. These monitors will allow the students to understand the importance of participating at a physical exertion level that is beneficial to one's cardiovascular health.

### **Broomball Equipment**

This grant will provide equipment for Broomball to be played during Wellness on snow covered fields at Cherokee school during the winter months.

### **GeoMotion**

GeoMotion is a multi-sensory learning method delivered through mats used for fitness and dance programs. The program and equipment will be provide to all three elementary schools.

# World Language

## **Mandarin Books**

Books in both Mandarin and BiLingual formats will be provided for the Cherokee Library for use by all students.

## **Community of Language Learners**

This grant is a pilot program for the online language program Rosetta Stone for the 2012-13 school year. The program is for the use of teachers, students and parents interested in expanding their knowledge of a foreign language.

# Social & Emotional Development

## **Lucy Valentine - WEB - Middle School Transition Program**

The funding for training of additional DPM staff to facilitate this successful middle school transition program will be provided by this grant.

## **LEAD Parent University – 2013**

This grant will provide LEAD with a contribution to help underwrite the cost of speakers for Parent University. We join other organizations and schools in our community in support of this program.

## **Social Thinking Materials**

This grant provides a variety of tools to use with students with social skills deficits. The tools include videos that model skills involving social interaction, perception of emotions, expressing emotion appropriately in addition to other social skills.

## **Girls on the Run**

Girls on the Run is a fitness and emotional wellness program for girls in 3rd & 4th grade that promotes the benefits of a health and active lifestyle. This grant provides the start up fee for this program for 2013 at Sheridan and Everett schools after a successful initial year of the program at Cherokee school in 2012.

# Miscellaneous

## **Kreischer Kids' Fund – Family Assistance Program**

The Foundation has granted funds, as in years past, to support student activities where family funding is not possible. The fund is administered by District 67 personnel.

## **Sensory Regulatory & Organizational Tools**

A variety of tools will be provided for General and Special Ed students who demonstrate sensory and timing needs in class. These tools will allow the student to self regulate and monitor behavior in order to stay focused and on task.

## **DPM Standing Desk Work Stations**

This grant will provide standing desks for use by students whose ability to move around while learning allows them to stay focused in the classroom. The grant will provided enough

desks, in addition to existing standing desks, to have two standing work stations in each 5th & 6th grade classroom.

## **Technology**

### **iPads for Struggling Readers**

iPads and educational reading apps will be used as an alternative method for delivering additional support in phonics, vocabulary, fluency and comprehension to tiered reading students at Cherokee School.

### **iPads for 21st Century Learners**

iPads and educational apps will support the Explore curriculum and benefit students engaged in problem base inquiry. Two iPads will be provided for use in the explore classrooms in each of the three elementary schools.

### **iPads for Sheridan Department of Student Services (DSS)**

iPads, educational apps and a cart to house the iPads will be used to extend and reinforce skills of students identified as having a Learning Disability, Tier 2 and 3 students and students who see the speech/language pathologists and school psychologist and social worker.

### **Elementary iPads: Transforming Learning**

iPads and educational apps will be used as an alternative method for practice and reinforcement of skills during K-2 language arts and math center times. This grant is an extension of the previous year's Foundation grant and will provide for additional iPads in order to have a complete classroom set available at each elementary school.

### **Eighth Grade 1:1 Netbook Grant**

This grant will assist District 67 with the acceleration of the one netbook to one student initiative that was implemented during the previous school years. Funding of this grant will allow for each eighth grader to have a netbook for the 2012-13 school year. In addition, this will accelerate the teaching staff's exposure to the 1:1 program.

### **DPM's 21st Century Learning Lab (The Cube)**

The Foundation in partnership with District 67 will fund essential technology equipment for the development and transformation of the former administrative space and current Time Zone Space at DPM East into a collaborative Learning Lab where students can go to create, collaborate and communicate (C3 = The Cube) for true 21st century learning.

### **Using Digital Technology with Kids**

Additional digital cameras will be provided to assist students, parents and staff in collection of significant moments and provide a visual source of information for students when working in a new curriculum topic.

### **Wireless Microphone System**

A wireless microphone system for the Cherokee School IRC and Computer Lab will be funded by this grant. The system will allow for students and teachers to successfully work together in a large and often busy environment while making each student feel as if they are able to receive more direct attention.

