

Carthage ISD Education Foundation
62 Grants for \$254,032.64
2015-2016 Summary Report

The directors of the CISD Education Foundation wish to recognize and thank each donor and each educator for the many wonderful opportunities these grants provide for our students.

Carthage Primary
15 Grants for \$45,973.64

- A Fun Place to Learn!** **Kiley Schumacher** **\$20,000.00**
The Charles Matthews Campus Grant funds an outdoor learning garden – a retreat from the confines of the classroom and a place to read, reflect and learn. Impacts 510 this year.
- Learning . . . Just Hope To It!!!** **Debbie Miller** **\$3,500.00**
Creativity and self-expression are brought to life through the experience of music with a visit from Jack Hartmann. Learning will be fun with current curriculum content and the highest quality children’s music!
- Moore Farms Makes Learning More Fun** **Kim Bagley Morris & Pam Walker** **\$1,926.00**
During this exciting adventure, students will explore the life cycle of a pumpkin through hands-on-activities. They will also enjoy a hayride to a pumpkin patch and each student picks their own pumpkin.
- We’re Off to See the Gators** **Kathy LaGrone, Sherrie Russell & Paulette Shields** **\$1,132.45**
Pre-K students will have the opportunity to interact with animals they would normally not see.
- Wii Like To Move It, Move It!** **Kathy LaGrone & Sherrie Russell** **\$655.12**
The Wii fit program will engage Pre-K students in fitness and exercise on a regular basis. The activities will help improve the strength, balance and coordination of the students.
- Numbers Make Sense** **Sherrie Russell, Kathy LaGrone, Amanda Hammers & Paulette Shields** **\$1,483.08**
Pre-K students will help make connections between concepts and real life with this software to use with smartboards to extend learning and cover other math skills.
- Moving Toward Success** **Sherrie Russell & Kathy LaGrone** **\$1,655.72**
Pre-K students will benefit from a motor lab that will be utilized by the teachers, occupational therapists, physical therapists and orientation and mobility instructors.
- Hip, Hip, Horray! It’s Zoo Day!!** **Melissa Johnson & Ellen Day** **\$735.00**
Kindergarten students will extend what they have been taught in their zoo unit with a visit to the Caldwell Zoo to learn about animals from around the world.

We're Going to Discovery Science Place **Melissa Johnson & Ellen Day** **\$1,893.40**
Kindergarten students will travel to Tyler, Texas to experience hands-on activities while exploring science and social studies concepts.

A Howling Good Time with Jeff Crosby **Gina Dodge** **\$860.30**
First grade students will have an author visit from Jeff Crosby, the award winning author of *Weiner Wolf*. The students will experience how a story is written as well as Mr. Crosby demonstrating his talents as an illustrator. Each first grade teachers will receive a signed copy of *Weiner Wolf* for their classroom library.

Tell Us a Texas Tale **Gina Dodge** **\$1,500.00**
First graders will enjoy Cindy Tucker, author of *Toby's Texas Tales*. She will enlighten students with Texas trivia. Each student will get their very own copy of the book to share with their families. The books and author visit are given in memory of Mrs. John S. Moore, long time teacher for Carthage Schools.

Rolling on the River in Jefferson, Texas **Shari Shull & Amanda Ivy** **\$3,093.00**
First Graders will have a day of learning and fun with rides on a riverboat and mule-drawn wagon. Students will strengthen their understanding of how technology has changed our lives.

Kindergartners Are Leaping for Learning **Brittany Ford** **\$1,892.97**
LeapTV in each kindergarten classroom will cover a wide range of language arts and math skills. It will help make a connection between technology, physical education and learning for these students. These young students will keep moving and learning!

Get Drumming with DrumFIT **Camille Hall** **\$2,646.60**
DrumFIT is a cardio drumming program using exercise balls that combines the mental health benefits of drumming with the benefits of physical fitness for a full body workout.

Encore! Our Favorite Stories Come to Life **Sherrie Russell, Jill Smith & Marsha D. Kelley** **\$4,500.00**
The Chamber Theatre from Boston, MA will bring live theater and the culture of performing artists to present six short stories. The students will witness these stories come to life through singing, dancing and performing dramatic art.

Libby Elementary
8 Grants for \$33,832.61

Fun, Fitness & Freedom to Imagine **Staci Davis** **\$12,966.08**
The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will provide teachers and students an area for role playing, engaging in physical activities, sitting and reading, socializing or just reflecting. This outdoor learning environment will positively impact our students.

21st Century Social Studies **Alice Claiborne & Cassandra Sanford** **\$4,978.12**
Students will have access to Chromebooks that will help them learn and practice real world inquiry. Social Studies lessons will be brought alive in the classroom.

Technology at Our Fingertips **Sherry Brewster** **\$4,978.12**
Having the Chrome Books in the classroom will allow students to use them daily. As we study informational texts, they will immediately be able to research the various topics that we are analyzing.

We're Off to the Theatre! **Sherry Brewster & Kay Davis** **\$5,000.00**
This trip will be a cultural experience in the fall for CJHS seventh grade students. They will travel to the Shreveport Strand Theater to watch five short dramatic productions.

TCEA 2017 State Convention **David Myers** **\$1,350.00**
As a participant and presenter, there is no better opportunity for hands on, relevant, GT and cross curriculum lessons.

3D Printer **David Myers** **\$4,710.50**
This grant will expand the exposure in class to solving real world problems through 3D printing and exploring careers with current technology.

What's in Your Water? **Shannon Baldree, Jennifer Myers, Christi Cox**
Jacqueline Schneider **\$2,817.98**
These apparatuses will enable us to really engage our students to think about the world around them that they cannot see. Water is an easy concept for students to understand but it becomes difficult when you speak of water you can't see, such as in the atmosphere or deep down in the ground or ocean.

The Living Classroom **Jennifer Myers, Christi Cox, Jacqueline Schneider** **\$3,837.96**
With a living terrarium or vivarium and a jelly fish tank, we will be able to bring biomes to the students about their world that they might never see otherwise. An integral part of 7th grade science is the dissection of a frog. The terraria would house several species of frogs with which students will interact.

There is no "I" in TEAM! **Brian Caver, Jennifer Myers, Jill Smith, Dawn Brewster** **\$4,995.80**
As 8th grade teachers, we want to instill in our students a drive to learn and achieve more than they thought was possible. SFA offers a high ropes challenge course that our students will have to work together as a team to conquer. Students will also attend a show at the planetarium that ties together History, Math and Science. They will also tour a local 4-year university, SFA, and explore the many options available to them right around the corner.

Carthage High School
15 Grants for \$68,460.09

Let's Get Connected **Joanna Huckabee** **\$19,425.00**
The Charles Matthews Campus Grant at CHS will use technology to keep students, faculty and the community informed. The addition of five 65" wall mounted monitors throughout the main building with continuous announcements, school activity calendars, club/organization promos, breakfast and lunch menus and more will play every day to keep all stakeholders up to date.

“Creating Tomorrow’s Solutions to Infectious Diseases and Bioterrorism”

Nola Manis & Schelice Reyes

\$5,000.00

CHS Anatomy & Physiology and Microbiology/Pathophysiology students will travel to Galveston National Laboratory at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Texas. Our students will be offered the opportunity to experience Marine Biology up close and personal. Students will embark on an adventure of exploration and education.

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This trip will bring educational tools to life by introducing the purpose of the Galveston National Library; to safely develop therapies, vaccines and diagnostic tests for natural occurring emerging diseases such as SARS, West Nile encephalitis and avian influenza. Students will seine the bay and have a hands on opportunity to handle the various sea life off the coast of Texas.

Independent Study in the Dog Den

Bonnie Pope

\$2,489.06

This grant will provide an area in the LRC for independent study that students can work on projects for a single subject or multiple subjects. They may use this area to collaborate with other students or to make up missed work.

On a “Mission” to Learn at Fall Fiesta 2016

Jayme Quick

\$2,540.00

Advanced Journalism honor students will travel to San Antonio for the Fall Fiesta Convention. Students and teachers from across the state will participate in on-site competitions and learn more innovative techniques for scholastic journalism.

The Business at Hand

Joanna Huckabee

\$4,068.89

CHS-TV will expand its duplication process by adding a 1:20 DVD Copier that will allow our department to more efficiently create DVD’s for the school district and community. We will also add a new set piece to complete our casual talk set.

“The New CHS-TV”

Joanna Huckabee

\$4,776.00

We will introduce new studio tripods and teleprompters as well as creating a working casual set space that can be used for student and community oriented productions.

Art Today

Millie Wilkie

\$1,407.90

This grant will include an educational field trip to The Cowboys Art Museum. A set of Scholastic Art Magazines will be a classroom resource to create an interdisciplinary arts program that will promote literacy, critical-thinking skills and independent learning.

Seeing, Responding, Speaking, Writing...Enthralling

Melanie Hudson & Beth Simmons

\$2,237.70

AP English 3 & 4 classes tour the amazing Kimbell Art Museum and Amon Carter Museum of American Art in Ft Worth. This trip will prepare students to demonstrate proficiency as they read and write on the college level, thereby achieving success.

Physics Phun Phor Everyone Blaine Vassar & Jennifer Ludlow \$4,485.00
This grant will provide the equipment that coordinates with the recent book purchased for the Physics classes. This equipment is designed with the level of physics necessary for college level inquiry. It will enhance the knowledge gained from the written word, and enforced with “hands on” application.

TheatreFest 2017 Joanna Huckabee & Kim Funderburk \$5,000.00
Texas Educational Theatre Association TheatreFest 2017 has much to offer that will enhance and enlighten the classroom. Workshop topics include information on the new technology in the areas of lighting, sound, set construction & design, costuming, make-up, acting and directing for both stage and small screen. Teachers and students will return home with new ideas to share with other CISD students.

Think of it as Coaching School for UIL Academics Kim Funderburk \$2,834.00
UIL Academic coaches will attend the UIL Capital Conference in Austin. This conference will help encourage and train teachers in UIL Academics so our program will continue to grow.

iPads Heather Cloninger \$1,896.54
These iPads will be for special needs students to help improve technology skills. educational materials.

Create Something New Joanna Huckabee \$3,535.98
With success comes growth and with a growing department, equipment is needed to service our students. The two Apple iMac desktop computers will allow more students the opportunity to “Create Something New” and leave their legacy at CHS-TV. The addition of these computers will enable us to expand our current classes and service our students more appropriately.

Shooting Toward the Future Joanna Huckabee \$4,968.67
This grant funds cameras we have chosen that will allow students to capture video in professional, high definition quality while learning the basics of camera operation on professional grade equipment. The cameras will be used daily to complete the core of our courses; video production. They will not only create original video productions, but will also utilize the equipment to shoot events happening throughout the district.

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CHS Senior Anatomy & Physiology and Microbiology/Pathophysiology students will travel to Galveston National Laboratory (GNL) at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Texas. The GNL is a state-of-the art facility with extraordinary scientists engaged in translating research ideas into products aimed at controlling emerging infectious diseases and defending our society against Bioterrorism.