



Dr. Jeff Schuler, Superintendent  
 Community Unit School District 200  
 130 W Park Ave  
 Wheaton, IL 60189

Re: Fall 2019 Student Excellence Grants

Dear Dr. Schuler,

That Student Excellence Foundation is pleased to inform you of the grants given this fall to the following District 200 schools:

Title	School	Funds	Short Description
Understanding Poverty - A Community Action Poverty Simulation	Wheaton North High School	\$2,300.00	Poverty is a reality for many individuals and families, but unless students have experienced poverty, it's difficult to truly understand. The simulation is an interactive, immersive experience that bridges that gap from misconception to understanding.
Engaging English Equipment for ELs!	Lincoln Elementary	\$2,149.90	This project asks for manipulatives to help our ELs in Kindergarten develop English vocabulary as well as practice their listening, speaking, reading, and writing in English. This project asks for theme boxes, a diversity kit, oral language materials, as well as microphones to practice speaking.
Lovely Little Library	Pleasant Hill Elementary	\$644.79	A Little Free Library will be placed outside of Pleasant Hill School so that students may take books to read anytime: at school, on the playground or at home. This library can also be used during the summer. Our school will connect to the community by supplying free new or gently used books for all.
Giving All Children a Voice	Hawthorne Elementary	\$1,362.80	Participation in any classroom is key. All children need a voice, and a way to participate in class discussions, yet some are timid and quiet. The Qball is a great way to increase student participation and provide an opportunity for students who are

			reluctant to participate to share their voice.
Vermicomposting	Edison Middle School	\$989.70	Our students formed an Eco Club and are working with SCARCE to earn an Earth Flag. They completed a waste audit and are implementing a comprehensive recycling program. They would also like to add multiple vermicomposting bins in an effort to reduce our overall waste to improve our environment.
Classroom Production Equipment	Washington Elementary	\$2,340.00	The 5th grade team will use the USB Microphone with Studio Headphones and Knox Pop Filter to create musical videos of 5th grade science and social studies content. The students will utilize the headset, microphones in video productions on WeVideo, Adobe Video, and Flip Grid throughout content areas.
Multimedia Social Studies Room	Wheaton Warrenville South High School	\$3,034.19	The project will include the purchase of seven 32 inch tv monitors. Students can gather around these cart-mounted monitors to collaborate, discuss, and innovate. Please see our video in the next question to see our vision in action.
Expanding Osmo Coding Activities	Lincoln Elementary	\$1,061.92	The students in Coding Club love working with Osmo to understand coding concepts and build their problem solving skills. However, with only 3 bases and the games not as many students get to spend time working with this tool as would like to.
LLC Comfortable Seating Area	Johnson Elementary	\$1,835.40	To create a safe, comfortable area for students when they are in the LLC. This area would provide four couches for students to read and work. We currently have very old couches that are from a former staff member's home. The new couches are easy to wipe off and are sized for elementary students.
PROJECT Keep Moving	Whittier Elementary School	\$1,566.00	Students will learn to use pedometers and authentic applications in the PE classroom. This tool has many uses and benefits for student motivation and cross-curricular learning. As we dig deeper into the pedometer data and applications students use higher level thinking
Time to Stand-Desk Risers	Wheaton North High School	\$1,200.00	Sitting is still the main model for learning in schools today. We now know that more activity and movement in the school day and classroom plays a part of so many more benefits for our kids bodies and. Which is why our Day Academy students who are here for 3 hours a day need desks risers.

Classroom Library	Hubble Middle School	\$540.00	Hubble Middle School began an all-school reading initiative in 2016 to motivate students to read for enjoyment. I would like to work with our building's Literacy Leaders to build a quality, accessible classroom library that meets the specific needs and abilities of my students.
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$19,024.70</b>	

We would enjoy the possibility of presenting these items, officially, to the Board of Education at your next meeting. It is our intent to be present and offer Public Comment regarding these items at that time.

Thanks again for our partnership and for your support of the Foundation. If there is any additional information we can provide, please let me know. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer L Merck  
President