

UCEF Grant Committee Recommendations - Fall 2022 (Board approved 11/2/22)

Project Name	School	Teacher	Amount
A More Inclusive Library: Foreign Language Fiction for English Language Learners and Allibrary	UCHS	Kim Deitzler	\$1,250.00
An inclusive library for students for whom English is a second language. This grant will be used to purchase fiction and graphic novels in Spanish, Chinese, French, and Japanese. Students will be able to maintain reading skills in their native language and reinforce bilingualism; in addition, students learning a foreign language will gain literacy skills.			
Building Thinking Classrooms: White Boards on Wheels	UCHS	Michael Dorsey	\$708.00
In the book Building Thinking Classrooms in Mathematics K-12, Dr. Peter Liljedahl describes 14 practices for maximizing student thinking. One of the practices is writing on non-permanent vertical surfaces. I have selected affordable white boards on wheels to add to my classroom to facilitate this practice.			
Edible School Yard Comes to Brittany Woods	BWMS	Anne Cummings	\$1,252.98
After their teacher obtained professional development from Alice Waters' Edible School Yard program, the sustainability students at BWMS have started cooking with foods that they've grown and harvested. Materials will be purchased to deliver the experience with greater fidelity.			
Exploring Light and Shadow Play	JGEC	Jessica Job	\$1,244.37
Light and Shadow is a media that can provoke awe and wonder in early learners. Through Light and Shadow, young children are learning concepts such as trial and error, persistence, negotiations, and exploring concepts in an alternative way. Items will be purchased to implement the learning techniques with special education students.			
For the Love of Reading	Pershing	Jaquin McBride	\$1,176.98
Materials will be purchased to build a classroom decodable library with the objective to reinforce the understanding of the phonics skills introduced while strengthening students' confidence as readers			
Language Growth in Young Learners	BCJ	Kelsi Tatum	\$1,200.00
Materials will be purchased to help students utilize and expand communication skills. Materials will include cause/effect toys, turn taking games, sensory toys, books, and speech/language cards			
Maker Space Start Up	BCJ	Nancy Luebbers	\$1,100.26
We want to create a space at our school for students to make, learn, explore and share their creative ideas and STEM skills			
Robolink Zumi	UCHS	Michael Daly	\$919.94
Students will learn how artificial intelligence and machine learning work. Zumi is a car that kids can build and code. They will be able to write the code that keeps cars in lane, stops at stop signs, manages distance from cars in front of them.			
U Rite	UCHS	Shannon Hayslett	\$1,000.00
This grant is allowing students to run the "U Right" Snack Services business for staff to purchase drinks and snacks. U Right provides a delivery service in which students continue to develop employable, educational, daily living, as well as communication skills.			
Opening Creative Minds Through Keyboards	Pershing	Danny DuMaine	\$950.00
This grant will purchase keyboards to enhance music learning and appreciation through the development and implementation of a Master Class.			
Literary Magazine	UCHS	Patrick Gilligan	\$625.00
This grant will support materials for the Creative Writing class to launch a Literary Magazine that will feature students' work.			
To Kill a Mockingbird Live Experience	UCHS	Erin Bratkowski	\$1,250.00
This grant will purchase tickets to for up to 25 9th grade students to attend To Kill a Mockingbird at the Fox after they've read the book. Students will be considered after they write an essay expressing their interest to attend.			
I can BEE A Coder	JP	Monique Hite-Patterson	\$1,212.76
I can BEE a coder innovative project will provide Kindergarten scholars with a fun, creative and hands-on opportunity to learn the fundamentals of computational thinking			
Joyful Confident Readers Raise Their Voices	Pershing	Jill Rogers	\$982.71

This grant will purchase decodable texts for grades 3-5 to reinforce automaticity and fluency within the areas of word recognition and language comprehension skills				
UCHS Golden Girls Dance Team		UCHS	Nicole Thomas	\$1,250.00
The Golden Girls Dance Team introduces high school students to the competitive dance team world along with the majorette dance styles as performed at HBCUs around the country. The grant will be used to purchase dance capes similar to those used at the universities.				
Flourishing Families - Pershing Parents Support Connection		Pershing	Stacey Miller	\$1,250.00
Pershing Elementary School and Cross Roads Counseling Centers have partnered together to support our Pershing families through monthly Flourishing Families Parent Connections. Grant will be used to purchase supplies and food for parent meetings.				
"Feed the Cats" Speed Program		BWMS	Matt Keller	\$990.00
Grant will be used to purchase a speed timing package to assist PE students in improving their speed and agility. With the use of the timing system, we will be able to accurately measure sprint speed at short distances and teach them how to improve their speed.				
Book Battle: Building Skills and Nurturing a Love of Reading through Competition		Pershing	Sarah Bailey	\$1,250.00
This grant will be used to purchase books & materials to prepare 3, 4th & 5th graders for the St. Louis Area Elementary Book Battle. Schools from around the region will meet to show their knowledge and teamwork at the competition in the spring. This project allows students to grow as readers, develop teamwork skills, build confidence, and hone their public speaking skills.				
Carrots and Sticks		BWMS	Rubina McCadney	\$586.69
This grant will purchase supplies for the 7th grade class pet snake, Carrots. Students are very engaged with the care and feeding of the pet.				
Total				\$20,199.69