

# **Gesa Grant Program**

### It all started with the Hawks Debit Card



In conjunction with the Gesa in the High School Program, CPPS and Gesa Credit Union have a special Visa debit card for existing and new Gesa Members. This program is exciting because with every transaction you make, Gesa will pay five cents back to College Place Public Schools! All payments will directly benefit the students and educational programs of CPPS.

Each Year in July, Gesa donates the funds from the Hawks Card Program to the School District. These funds are to be use for the direct benefit of students. CPPS has used these funds to create the Gesa Grant Program. This program creates a venue for the staff at CPPS to apply for grants to support students and their learning.

## Who is eligible for a Gesa Grant?

Gesa Grants are available to benefit the educational experiences of students. Any CPPS teacher, counselor, pathway specialist or educational specialist may apply for such grant for products, services or experiences that directly benefit our students. It is not intended for staff professional development.

## What can a grant be used for?

The grants may be used for such things as:

Books

Videos

**Programs** 

Subscriptions

Classroom materials – (You must have exhausted your District Classroom Funds before applying for a grant)

Travel for student enrichment and learning

Guest speakers

#### **Gesa Grant Guidelines**

As with all grants, guidelines must be in place to ensure the funds are used for the intended purpose and that they impact the most students at CPPS.

The person requesting a grant must be a teacher, counselor, pathway specialist or educational specialist. Funding must be approved by the District Director Team and the Superintendent.

Once approved or denied, you will be notified via email.

The District Office will enter the requisition for the applicant. If a vendor does not accept purchase orders, you can purchase the items and then receive reimbursement per the District reimbursement process.

Funds MUST be used as requested for the intended purpose only.

Students or parents cannot purchase items.

Once a grant is received you must wait until the next school year reapply.

Once the grant has been received, the applicant must provide a photo and a short description of how the funds were spent.

Grant request are limited to \$300 maximum.