**Carthage ISD Education Foundation**

**55 Grants for $180,551.41**

**2018-2019 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**

**13 Grants for $35,998.20**

**Create and Collaborate with Chromebooks Kiley Schumacher $9,216.60**

The Charles C. Matthews Foundation grant will enable teachers throughout Carthage Primary School to create lesson plans and activities and collaborate with their peers through document sharing. They can also collect student data, chart academic growth and plan their instruction based on such data with this technology.

**Strawberry Picking 101 Kim Bagley $1,690.40**

First Grade students will discover how much fun picking strawberries can be while learning about the life cycle of the plant itself, how strawberries are harvested, and the health benefits of eating them.

**5, 4, 3, 2, 1 Blast Off to Sci-Port Taylor Fitts $3,952.40**

A day of discovery and fun will be experienced by first graders with their field trip to Sci-Port. The newly renovated discovery center offers hours of engaging learning activities and a ticket to the IMAX theatre for an educational film.

**A Little Jaunt to Jefferson, Texas Amanda Ivy $3,023.00**

First graders will journey back in time by taking narrated rides on both a riverboat and a mule-drawn wagon. Students will experience how transportation has changed over time. An Old General Store will be a sweet ending with the students enjoying ice cream.

**Let’s Get WILD Chelcy Shows $605.00**

The Creature Teacher will educate our kindergarten and first grade students about seven live animals’ habitats, eating habits, coverings and other fun facts!

**Going Bananas at Caldwell Zoo Melissa Anderson $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.

**Igniting Curiosity in Young Minds at the Discovery Science Place Melissa Anderson $1,358.40**

Kindergarten students will travel to Discovery Science Place in Tyler, Texas to enjoy hands-on activities and learning stations that will keep them actively engaged as they explore important science and social studies concepts.

**Moving to Learn Sherrie Russell $3,228.40**

Pre K students will enjoy a Tot Tree, a piece of playground equipment, that will allow more activities for students to encourage cooperative play for social skill development. It will also help in the growth of gross motor development.

**The Sky is the Limit Paulette Shields $2,000.00**

Pre K students will use a hands on learning approach to building and creating with fun, life size building materials.

**A Fun Filled Day at the Farm Jenni Miller $1,125.20**

Pre K and PPCD students will discover how much fun it can be picking strawberries from a local strawberry patch all while learning about the life cycle of the plant, how they are harvested, and the health benefits of eating them.

**A Day at the Theatre Debbie Miller $4,912.00**

Through live theatrical productions, kindergarten and first grade students will witness the characters come to life through singing, dancing and performing dramatic art.

**We’re off to see the Gators! Kathy LaGrone $1,332.45**

Gators and Friends provides an opportunity for our Pre K learners to interact with animals they would normally not be able to see. This grant will enable these students a fun and meaningful learning experience.

**One Fish, Two Fish, Let’s Touch a Jellyfish! Kathy LaGrone $2,816.35**

The Shreveport Aquarium will provide Pre K students the opportunity to see and touch sea life they would normally only see in pictures. They will get to experience the adventure of riding on a boat on the river.

**Libby Elementary**

**14 Grants for $37,960.17**

**Promoting the 3 C’s: Creativity, Collaboration & Communication Staci Davis $9,740.32**

The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will provide classroom teachers Chromebooks, coupled with Google Chrome Management, that will help teachers organize assignments, boost collaboration and foster communication. Teaching will become more productive, collaborative and meaningful.

**TCTELA Kristi Glass $3,444.00**

Teachers will travel to Ft. Worth, Texas to participate in a conference for Language Arts. The sessions will include language arts, reading contents and pedagogy appropriate for K-12 teachers. Teachers will implement new knowledge and skills learned from the conference in their classrooms.

**Stories You Wish You Knew Gay Rittenberry $1,439.00**

History will come to life for second graders as they travel to the American Freedom Museum in Bullard. They will discover acts of heroism and bravery that make our American history a great adventure.

**Meet the Presidents Gay Rittenberry $1,467.00**

Libby third graders will “meet the presidents” at the American Freedom Museum through curriculum connected activities. They will have a great understanding and appreciation for our country.

**Grab Your Hat and Read with the Cat Cindy Stacy $955.32**

Libby second and third graders will celebrate Read Across America Day – a day to remember children’s book author Dr. Seuss. A variety of activities will leave each child with a renewed interest in reading.

**Catching the Portable Wave Joely Lynn $906.90**

This on-the-go writing surface will be easy to use anywhere in or out of the classroom. Students will have a surface to write, read, or use their IPads in a small group or independently.

**Qballs 4 Classrooms Karen Caver $1,658.33**

Qballs are a new technology that incorporates a wireless microphone incased in a rubber ball. These microphones encourage student participation in a fun and exciting way. Second and third graders, including two special education classrooms will benefit from this grant.

**From Farm to Table Dana McAlister $1,646.00**

Second grade students will enjoy going to the Strawberry Patch and experiencing how strawberries are grown. They will listen to an educational presentation about the life cycle of a strawberry plant accompanied by a tour to the strawberry field.

**Bricks 4 Kidz® --Live at Libby Judy Reyes $2,400.00**

A Shreveport-based company will conduct a STEM based workshop using LEGO bricks and motorized models for second and third grade students. The students will build models that complement science and math lessons using one of the custom Bricks4Kidz LEGO motorized or moving models.

**Millard’s Crossing: Bringing History to Life** **Judy Reyes $1,658.80**

Second graders will visit Millard’s Crossing Historic Village in Nacogdoches to practice experiential learning, a key component in understanding and retaining information. They will visit a pioneer schoolhouse, a chapel and a corncrib.

**Hampstead Stage Company Mary Lou Taylor $595.00**

Second and third grade students will engage in an interactive educational performance by professional actors. The scripts are original adaptations, based directly on literary classics, and include children and adults from the audience.

**CAST Natalie Brewster $3,653.50**

Teachers will travel to Dallas, Texas to participate in the conference for science teaching. This conference will ensure teachers are well equipped with the latest tools, technology and knowledge appropriate for K-12 science teachers.

**Anchors Away Natalie Brewster $5,000.00**

The Solution 36’ Poster Printer designs anchor charts, classroom posters, school banners and signs. Anchor charts are used as an effective classroom management tool for students, including visual reminders of rules, routines and expectations that have been discussed in class.

**CAMT Natalie Brewster $3,396.00**

This annual conference for teachers and supervisors of mathematics is designed to improve the knowledge and skills of mathematics teachers. This conference’s mission is to assist in upgrading the quality of mathematics education in the state of Texas.

**Baker Koonce Intermediate School**

**6 Grants for $21,115.36**

**Life Lab Program – Phase 5 Clarinda Collins $10,000.00**

The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will enable *Phase 5 of the Classroom with Walls*. With the development of the **Life Lab Program**, students use hands on activities to learn valuable skills for life including healthy living skills, self-confidence, problem solving, positive peer interactions and stress management.

**Life Skills Fun and Learning on the Go Ashlee Alexander $1,127.05**

BK Life Skills Students will go on community based instruction outings to learn how to function in public settings. These students will learn how to order from a menu, get food from a buffet, learn to bowl and how to act in a movie theater.

**A Moment in the Past Vanessa Taylor $1,716.00**

Fifth graders will get to acquire a firsthand experience of developing America in the 1800’s. They will handle artifacts and tools utilized over a century ago. They will visit a pioneer schoolhouse, learn how to make simple toys, play pioneer games and churn butter from cream.

**Flex-Seating for Success Amanda Myers $2,297.31**

The primary benefits of flexible seating include: increase in student collaboration, enable new teaching strategies, reduce extended seating, and help students focus. This will enable more diversity to seating arrangements in classrooms.

**The Sun, The Earth and The Moon Oh My! Cindy Kopecky $995.00**

The Mobile SkyDome will take 5th grade students on a 45 minute journey through the universe. Through the magic of a digital planetarium projector students will be able to see the night sky in different seasons, witness the Moon in it’s phases and identify all the planets in our solar system first hand.

**CAST Cindy Kopecky $4,980.00**

CAST is a conference for science teachers that offers the most continuing education hours focused on Texas science standards. It is a hands-on, face-to-face professional development opportunity for all science teachers.

**Carthage Junior High School**

**5 Grants for $22,222.92**

**Light the Way to Literacy Wade Watson $10,000.00**

The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will allow our students to improve comprehension, vocabulary and engagement. Lightbox is a fully interactive, multidimensional, supplemental solution for educators. It is available to use on any device and reinforces material learned through slideshows, quizzes and keywords. 7th and 8th grade students will have help from this program to master the standards and the needs of all learners.

**TETA Convention**  **Donna Kushner** **$1,212.00**

This convention will be used to learn new ways to teach theatre arts and also to get updates and information about the way rules have changed for UIL Theatre.

**Colleges, Careers and Zip Lines – Oh My! Dawn Brewster $4,998.00**

The CJHS 8th graders will tour Stephen F. Austin State University and participate in team building activities at the university’s outdoor ropes challenge course and indoor climbing wall.

**Teaching Our Teachers** **Jennifer Myers** **$3,730.93** The State Science Convention (CAST) will enable educators to stay on top of the latest, best activities and practices for their classrooms. The teachers will attend workshops and present activities to their students for immediate feedback.

**Creating Better Musicians Through Ear Training Using the Harmony Michelle King $2,281.99**

The Yamaha HD-200 Harmony Director keyboard is an ear training manipulative that allows students to better hear proper intonation on individual notes, in chords, and in music.

**Carthage High School**

**15 Grants for $60,780.20**

**Bulldog Press Jason Harris $9,881.61**

The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will enable students to learn marketing skills that will have an impact on our district and community. The new print shop equipment will enable students to gain an advantage in their future business opportunities by building a variety of skills which include designing various products, learning to work with customers’ expectations and meeting hard deadlines. Students will produce marketing items ranging from brochures and business cards to posters and event programs.

**TheatreFest Kim Funderburk $5,000.00**

TheatreFest offers 200+ different workshops for educators and students of all levels. The Broadcast Journalism and Theatre teachers at CHS will take 12 students to this conference. 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 the stage and small screen.

**Think of it as Coaching School for UIL Academics Kim Funderburk $3,904.80**

UIL Academic coaches will attend the UIL Capital Conference to help encourage and train teachers in UIL Academics so our program will continue to grow.

**Expanding Horizons Kim Horton $2,300.00**

Students will expand their knowledge in the history of the assassination of JFK and the Holocaust. They will tour the 6th Floor Museum and the Holocaust Museum. Multi-dimensional presentations will be provided by the Dallas museums. State mandated TEKS related to the Holocaust will be satisfied with this excursion.

**Stars and STEM at Johnson Space Center Tracy Kennedy $3,800.00**

CHS students graduating with STEM endorsements will explore fundamental science challenges which NASA has overcome to make space exploration possible. Our students will apply math, science, and robotics principles as they take part in the Stars & STEM program hosted by Space Center Houston.

**Shoot for the STARS 2019 Nola Manis $1,845.44**

UTSW offers a wonderful opportunity for high school students to observe and interact with medical professionals. They will receive detailed information about current research and internships in various areas of some of the most prestigious current studies.

**H & R Block Budget Challenge Simulation** **Sherry Parker** **$3,750.00**

Budget Challenge is a personal finance simulation that teaches teens money management skills. Students receive virtual paychecks and bills in real-time and are challenged to build a budget and make financial decisions that help them learn how to pay bills on time, manage a credit card balance, and save money for retirement in a 401(k) during the 10 week competition.

**Creating Tomorrow’s Solutions to Infectious Diseases & Bioterriosm Schelice Reyes $4,850.00**

CHS AP Biology students will travel to 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 Bioterriosm.

**Creating Tomorrow’s Solutions to Infectious Diseases & Bioterriosm Schelice Reyes $4,302.40**

CHS AP Biology students will travel to Galveston National Laboratory at the UT 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 Bioterriosm.

**Ready and Rarin’ To Go** **Tammie Evans** **$2,400.00**

Students will have the opportunity to experience enriching and engaging real-world, unpredictable life experiences. They will practice social skills, life skills, math skills, and reading skills. This trip will afford students the skill set of everyday life because the goal of education is ultimately, to prepare them for life experiences outside the classroom.

**Special Field Day 2019** **Tonia Crittenden**  **$4,000.00**

Students with special needs will have the opportunity to socialize with non-handicapped peers in a safe and fun environment. The participants will receive awards and prizes for their participation in races and other events.

**Young da Vinci Art Exhibit Jodi Waggoner $2,500.00**

Students will explore the life and work of da Vinci and his efforts to define the world in not only the mind of a scientist but with the heart of an artist. Through learner-centered hands-on projects, each student will get to explore small electrical current connections; as well as, develop a personal direction in a unique work of art.

**Filmmakers in the Making Julie Patterson $2,245.95**

Students will take filmmaking to the next level with industry standard equipment to enhance the production process. They will build upon their knowledge of the production stage of filmmaking and enhance completed videos to maintain a professional appearance.

**CHS AIMS for Success Rhonda Gradberg $5,000.00**

The AIMS test uses scientific-based information of human behavior to help lead, guide, and direct students toward making better college and/or career decisions. The Aptitude Inventory Measurement Service would test juniors and seniors at CHS interested in planning successful careers. Money from this grant would be evenly distributed among students who register in order to offset the cost of the test.

**Let’s Rumba with the Marimba Nicholas Durham $5,000.00**

Students will have the opportunity to begin learning and incorporating the marimba into solo performances, woodwind and brass ensembles, marimba concertos, marching band (front ensembles), drum corps and orchestral compositions.

**PACE Academy**

**2 Grants for $2,474.56**

**Pump up PACE Michael Baysinger $685.15**

Students at PACE will be provided with the necessary equipment to fulfill their physical education requirements, and get much needed physical activity incorporated into their daily routine.

**Reading by Example – Second Edition Shelbye Almeida $1,789.41**

PACE Academy will add to their library specifically focusing on obtaining more complete series, books for developing readers and books for the Accelerated Reader Program. Continuing to add to the library will be one way of inviting and enriching students’ time in an alternative setting.