**Carthage ISD Education Foundation**

**52 Grants for $168,451.55**

 **2017-2018 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**

**9 Grants for $11,531.60**

**Stories Alive Gina Dodge $1,000.00**

Pre-K, K and First Grade Students will enjoy The Story Lady as she brings books to life, engaging

the children and taking them on an adventure they won’t forget. Four performances will be provided with this grant.

 **One Fish, Two Fish, Let’s Touch a Jellyfish! Kathy LaGrone $1,092.35**

Pre-K students will visit the Shreveport Aquarium that provides students the opportunity to see and touch sea life they would normally only see in pictures.

**We’re Off To See The Gators! Kathy LaGrone $1,219.45**

Gators and Friends provides an opportunity for Pre-K students to interact with animals they would normally not see.

**Exploring My World at Discovery Science Place Melissa Johnson $1,358.40**

Kindergarten students will travel to Tyler, Texas to experience hands-on activities while exploring

Science and social studies concepts.

**Kindergarten is Wild about Caldwell Zoo Melissa Johnson $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.

**Swimming through Kindergarten Brooke Kneipp $1,256.00**

Kindergarten students will take a trip to the new aquarium in Shreveport, Louisiana. They will explore an underwater world of wonder as they experience over 3,000 individual animals from snails to sharks.

**Oh, The Creatures You Will See! Chelcy Shows $605.00**

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

**Journey to Jefferson Amanda Ivy $2,835.00**

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.

**A Day at the Patch Kim Bagley $1,430.40**

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.

**Libby Elementary**

**10 Grants for $25,850.75**

**Classroom Kahoots! With IPods! Staci Davis $9,950.00**

The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will provide students with highly engaging games and assignments created using the Kahoots! app and iPods! Students will work through interactive lessons and receive immediate feedback. Two classroom sets of iPods will be shared among teachers.

**Grab Your Hat and Read with the Cat Cindy Stacy $967.45**

Second and Third Graders will celebrate Read Across America Day. March 2nd will be a day to remember Dr. Seuss, children’s author, and to promote reading. Members of the community will join in with the activities on this special day and students will leave school with a book of their very own.

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

Second and Third Grade students will enjoy a live theatre performance of literary classics with professional actors playing multiple roles. These plays will focus on creativity, critical thinking, leadership and responsibility.

**Millard’s Crossing: Bringing History to Life Judy Reyes $1,733**.**80**

Second graders will visit Millard’s Crossing in Nacogdoches, Texas to practice experiential learning through the handling of artifacts and tools used over a century ago. They will visit a pioneer schoolhouse, a chapel and a corncrib. The students will enjoy a picnic lunch at Maroney Park.

**One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish Karen Caver $3,190.00**

Libby second and third graders will get up close and personal with sharks, rays and jellyfish on a field trip to the new Shreveport Aquarium. They will learn about sea animals first hand.

**A Day of Drumming Mary Lou Taylor $950.00**

Libby students will experience a classroom setting being transformed into a community drum circle. This opportunity will support the need to recognize that music literature, representing a diversity of cultures and countries, in an important contributor to multicultural education lessons.

**Meet the Presidents Cindy Stacy $1,519.00**

Libby third graders will travel to the American Freedom Museum in Bullard. They will receive a greater awareness and understanding of our rich American heritage as they participate in several curriculum connected experiences.

**Stories You Wish You Knew Cindy Stacy $1,611.50**

Libby second graders will travel to the American Freedom Museum in Bullard to hear stories of ordinary men and women doing extraordinary things. History will come to life to students as they hear amazing stories and see artifacts of historic events.

**Dinosaur Zoo Live Natalie Brewster $936.00**

This performance is presented in a theatrical performance of amazingly life-like dinosaurs and other creatures. Third grade students will be thrilled, engaged and entertained in ways that will forever connect them to this pre-historic world.

**CAST Conference** **Natalie Brewster $4,398.00**

Teachers will travel to the conference for the Advancement of Science Teaching in Ft. Worth, Texas. The sessions will focus on scientific contents and pedagogy appropriate for K-12 science teachers.

 **Baker Koonce Intermediate School**

 **8 Grants for $32,628.69**

**Life Lab Program – Phase 4 Clarinda Collins $9,951.07**

The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will enable *Phase 4 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.

**Exploring Tanks Shelley Goolsby $1,341.40**

Fourth grade students will visit the Shreveport Aquarium to discover underwater world with visual representations. This trip will enhance the life science objects that are being taught in the classroom.

**Science is an Adventure April Robinson $2,853.70**

Fifth graders will venture off to Sci-Port which features enriched programs focused on math, science and technology. They will experience hands-on learning stations, a planetarium, exhibits and an IMAX theatre.

**No More Bullies Kim Martin $1,819.13**

Four Novel Sets will be used in fourth grade Language Arts classes to enrich literature curriculum by showing students there are a variety of family structures today, standing up for yourself and dealing with bullies. Students will enjoy these books while building comprehension and reading skills.

**Less Fidget…More Focus 2.0 Gail DeJohn $1,971.04**

Our purpose is to provide seating that will allow children that struggle to stay focused in school. This seating will allow those students to move their core without bothering others in the class. Manipulatives used for children to do something with their hands while focusing on the lesson are also provided.

**Chromebooks Times Three Cindy Kopecky $4,886.00**

Fifth grade science students will use chromebooks in the classroom for science lessons by engaging in interactive Science activities and project based learning opportunities. These devices will motivate our students to learn through the use of familiar technology fostering both cooperative and independent learning.

**Complete the Past in Chrome Rhonda Wright $4,920.35**

Students will be able to use various apps and resources available to intrigue their knowledge for the history of the United States. Fifth graders will be current with information presented about our country.

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**Let’s Roll with Chrome Vanessa Taylor $4,886.00**

With the utilization of chromebooks, fifth grade social studies students will have interactive access to videos, programs and other material to facilitate and segment studying. The chromebooks will allow students to get the best out of their education and encourage students to endeavor themselves by setting academic goals.

 **Carthage Junior High School**

**6 Grants for $29,030.30**

**Extra, Extra Read All About It Wade Watson $8,400.00**

The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will allow our students and teachers to become more creative. This color printer will be a visual aid for teachers to use in the classroom. Student projects can be printed out in full-color for grading and display. It will also give students a visual stimulation to understand tough topics in school.

**Colleges & Careers & Zip Lines, Oh My** **David Myers** **$4,983.80**

The 8th grade 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.

**Future of Farming Jacqueline Schneider $2,448.50**

Seventh grade science students will be taught what is needed to maintain a viable marine ecosystem through Aquasprouts Garden. They will see the transformation of energy that begins with the food that feeds the fish and ends up producing food that is consumable by humans.

**We’re Off to the Theatre** **Sherry Brewster** **$5,000.00** This field trip will be a cultural experience for CJHS seventh grade students. All seventh graders will travel to the Shreveport Strand Theater to watch five short dramatic productions.

**We Hear You Loud and Clear Marcie Rhiddlehoover $3,200.00**

Two classroom sets of Lightspeed’s Redcat Access units that include a teacher mic, student mic, classroom speaker, and media connector will be used in elective classrooms and the LRC computer lab. The units are portable so they can be used in any classroom where the need arises. This grant would help students that have cochlear implants which require a classroom audio system.

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**Let’s Play in a Sandbox Jennifer Myers $4,998.00**

Augmented reality will be brought to seventh and eighth grade science students in the form of a sandbox. The students will be able to build their own landforms (topography), create rainstorms and then watch how the water erodes the landscape.

 **Carthage High School**

 **17 Grants for $67,787.90**

 **CHS College and Career Jason Harris $8,745.10**

The Charles Matthews Campus Grant will establish the CHS College and Career Center. This center will help students apply to colleges and universities, register for the required admission tests, prepare necessary test admission tickets with student photo, apply for student aid and apply for scholarships. Students will also explore careers, complete interest inventories and conduct job searches. The goal of the Center will be to prepare all students for life after college – whether that means going to a 4-year college, community college, technical school, or entering the military or workforce.

**ICan with IPad Phillip Parker $3,689.50**

These IPads will ensure each student in the classroom the opportunity to complete classroom assignments using the IXL app. Students are provided immediate feedback from this program. These IPads are needed due to the growing class sizes. Each student will have an IPad of their own to use in class.

**21st Century Learners – Just the Beginning Rob McFall $4,933.00**

All science classes will use these chromebooks to complete assignments, labs, and research individually and then collaborate as a class to see what each other came up with in their studies.

**Chrome to Enrich the World Blaine Vassar $4,807.00**

Science students will use the chromebooks to view virtual labs and websites to enrich their knowledge of the subject they are currently learning. Having enough chromebooks for every student will allow them to complete assignments individually rather than in groups when needed.

**Learning U. S. History with Computers Angela Porter $4,807.00**

Students in U. S. History classes will utilize these computers to modernize instruction of U. S. History. This will prepare the students to pass the U. S. History STAAR Test, which is required for students to graduate from high school.

**Learning U. S. History with Computers Dennis McLaughlin $4,886.00**

This grant will allow CHS history students to enhance their education and learning. They will be able to access learning skills such as creating, evaluating and effectively using information and media. The instructional methods accessed will include review tests, vocabulary reviews and instructional lessons.

**It Takes STEM to Reach Beyond** **Tracy Kennedy** **$4,680.00**

CHS students will take NASA’s Level 9 tour which provides them behind the scenes personal access to the scientists and the equipment that have brought hundreds of life changing technologies to our modern world. The visit to NASA’s Johnson Space Center in Houston will enable the students to personally experience real applications of science, technology and math knowledge.

**Creating Tomorrow’s Solutions to Infectious Diseases & Bioterriosm Schelice Reyes $4,878.00**

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 $4,640.40**

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.

**Windows on the World** **Russell Rowe** **$2,300.00**

The Sophomore Pre-AP English and AP World History classes will attend two Dallas museums to introduce students to the history and literature of our recent past. They will tour the Sixth Floor Museum and the Dallas Holocaust Museum.

**The Best in Texas, State UIL One-Act Play** **Kim Funderburk**  **$3,384.50**

The UIL One-Act Play Unit Set is essential for a UIL One-Act Play contest. Students will participate in a group discussion critiquing each performance. Likewise, students will be required to keep a journal of their thoughts and observations. After each State performance, the CHS students will hear critiques from the State On-Act Play critic judges.

**Researching the Past to Move Forward in the Future Jodi Waggoner $1,530.00**

CHS Art students will travel to the Houston Museum District to experience both traditional works of the past and contemporary work of today. A wide range of art works from ancient Greece to Modern Masters are displayed and presented by guided tours for a first-hand experience.

**Shoot for the STARS Nola Manis $1,785.40**

STARS is a tour hosted by UT Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, Texas. It is an opportunity for students to observe and interact with some of the research medical professionals of the UTSW system. They will learn detailed information about current research and internship in some of the most prestigious current studies.

**Becoming an Entrepreneur – Top Dawg Graphics Melinda Ramsey $2,520.40**

CHS Business Department will use this equipment for the application of heat press vinyl that will be designed and cut in class to T-shirts, bags, blankets, etc. Products will be sold in the new “Top Dawg Graphics”store to students, teachers, parents, organizations, and community members.

**A Cut Above Jolene Davis $4,995.00**

Students will be able to use a Computer Numerical Control Plasma Cutter to cut shapes drawn on the computer and will allow both flat and corrugated metal. Student designs will be able to be brought to life in a permanent way.

**Enhance Interactive Learning Tammie Evans $1,784.10**

A comprehensive class library will be created to provide challenging computer games and activities to help master essential skills. This software targets math skills, language and science concepts.

**Special Field Day 2018 Tonia Crittenden $3,422.50**

Students with special needs will have the opportunity to socialize with non-handicapped peers in a safe and fun environment. High school service clubs and organizations will be utilized to provide one-to-one “buddies” for these students to serve as role models. The participants will receive awards and prizes for their participation in races and other events.

 **PACE Academy**

 **2 Grants for $1,622.37**

**Pump up PACE Michael Baysinger $558.00**

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 Shelbye Almeida $1,064.73**

The bookshelves at PACE Academy will be filled with required reading and complete series of books for students of all ages. Starting a small library at PACE will be one way of inviting and enriching students’ time in an alternative setting.