



GOOSE CREEK

CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Education Foundation awards 48 innovative teaching grants

The Goose Creek CISD Education Foundation board members love delivering good news.

During three days in May board members took turns delivering the good news of grant money to 48 teachers in Goose Creek CISD totaling more than \$66,000 to support innovative programs for a wide range of educational projects. Grants ranged in size from \$341 to \$2,537.

It was the nonprofit foundation's third round of grant funding for innovative teaching programs.

In all, the foundation has awarded 88 grants totaling more than \$105,000.

"On behalf of the Goose Creek CISD Board and our volunteers, we are delighted to continue to offer our outstanding educators the opportunity to find innovative ways to educate our community's children," Education Foundation Board President Roger Elswick said. "Education is changing in many ways, but our commitment to excellence in Goose Creek CISD remains steadfast."



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"Goose Creek CISD Education Foundation supporters and community partners should be commended and admired for their sustained commitment to support Goose Creek schools despite the negative effects of the recession. Our donors understand the importance of educating the next generation of Baytown and Highlands citizens," said Dr. Toby York, Goose Creek CISD superintendent.

The spring 2011 grant winners are:

- **Amy Maddie**, Sterling High School
Amount: \$891 for "[Mini-Q's in World History](#)"
- **Daniel Blanco**, Sterling High School
Amount: \$2,000 for "[Discovery based calculus](#)"
- **Donna Mohlman**, Highlands Elementary, Hopper Primary
Amount: \$2,000 for "[Improving Literacy through School Libraries](#)"
- **Genie Graham**, Highlands Junior School
Amount: \$341.25 for "[Creating Reading Detectives](#)"
- **Sarah Janssens and Catherine Rangel**, Carver Elementary
Amount: \$1,000 for "[Math Brainteasers Club](#)"
- **Lenora Anderson**, Lamar Elementary
Amount: \$1,039 for "[Technology – Study Island Program](#)"
- **Lisa Rankin**, Highlands Junior
Amount: \$2,537 for "[ActivExpressions for Busy 7th Grade Language Arts Classroom](#)"
- **Richard Clem**, Sterling High
Amount: \$ 2,435.86 for "[SmartMusic/Smart Students](#)"
- **Jennifer Kovalcik**, Peter E. Hyland Center
Amount: \$677 for "[CORE Science](#)"
- **Amanda Bryant**, Horace Mann Junior
Amount: \$960 for "[Technology in the Classroom/MimioPad](#)"
- **Stephanie Cottle**, Sterling High School
Amount: \$1,408.32 for "[StrataLogica](#)"
- **Michelle Sulak**, Bowie Elementary
Amount: \$1,972.46 for "[Learning and Living Social Studies](#)"
- **Ronny Reed**, Goose Creek Memorial High School
Amount: \$ 1,553.50 for "[The Student Geographer](#)"
- **Dena Arnold**, Lee High School
Amount: \$1,679.94 for "[Engineering the Mind](#)"
- **Delores Serrano**, Carver Elementary
Amount: \$ 2,054.30 for "[5th Grade Science Literacy Library](#)"
- **Deborah Gardner**, Carver Elementary
Amount: \$1,110 for "[Readers Theater Club](#)"
- **Molly Byrnes**, Sterling High School
Amount: \$1,000 for "[Introducing Students to Constitutional Law and the Legal Profession](#)"
- **Jamie Baccus**, Sterling High School
Amount: \$2,395 for "[Adding Technology to Spanish Classroom](#)"
- **Michelle James**, Austin Elementary
Amount: \$881.99 for "[Book Bistro](#)"
- **Perry McCoy**, School Community Guidance Center
Amount: \$1,014 for "[SCGC Supplemental Science](#)"
- **Melissa Krause and Carol Labonte**, Highlands Junior
Amount: \$900 for "[Mobility with the Mobi View Touch Screen](#)"
- **Danielle Maldonado**, Goose Creek Memorial High School
Amount: \$617.36 for "[Exploring Literature: Novels and Supplemental Materials](#)"
- **Diana Karns**, Carver Elementary
Amount: \$747 for "[Little Scientist – Beginning the Journey to Learning](#)"
- **Tina Andrade**, Stuart Career Center
Amount: \$1,250 for "[Sustainable Food Services](#)"
- **Howard Ghere**, Sterling High School
Amount: \$1,897.41 for "[Developing Applications for Mobile Platforms](#)"
- **Erica Smith and Angela Goss**, Walker Elementary
Amount: \$1,976 for "[Math and Science Adventures Program](#)"
- **Jennifer Callaway**, Highlands Elementary
Amount: \$2,000 for "[Education Alive](#)"
- **Jennifer DeHart**, Lee High School
Amount: \$1,521.45 for "[Choose Life, Choose Love, Choose Awareness – Infant Health Trio by Reality Works](#)"
- **Rosemary Olsen**, Crockett Elementary
Amount: \$1,156 for "[Great Books for Great Minds](#)"
- **Kelly Lorenz**, Walker Elementary
Amount: \$1,100 for "[Mobile Writing Lab](#)"
- **Vicki Blalock**, Ashbel Smith Elementary
Amount: \$1,100 for "[Lights, Camera, Action](#)"
- **Kim Fox (Bowie) and Therese Ruff** (Sterling)
Amount: \$1,998.72 for "[Closing the Gap](#)"
- **Linda LeDay**, Harlem Elementary
Amount: \$1,000 for "[Connecting School and Home – Math Literature Integration Kits](#)"
- **Krystal Ford**, De Zavala Elementary
Amount: \$2,000 for "[Hands-On Science for Primary Students](#)"
- **Cynthia Adame**, Lamar Elementary
Amount: \$1,583.38 for "[Science File Folder Take Home Activities](#)"
- **Criss Dippel**, Sterling High School
Amount: \$986 for "[Texas TEA: An Analysis of Hydrocarbon Manufacturing in the Baytown Area](#)"
- **Anissa Cantin**, Cedar Bayou Junior
Amount: \$1,000 for "[Read With A Bear](#)"
- **Karen Mills**, Travis Elementary
Amount: \$1,000 for "[Reading/Learning Garden](#)"
- **Janie Jimenez**, Travis Elementary
Amount: \$1,959.08 for "[H.O.S.T.S. Lab – Helping Our Students To Succeed lab](#)"
- **Diana Ronquillo**, Travis Elementary
Amount: \$929.85 for "[Vocabulary Visits](#)"
- **Ruth Valeen**, Travis Elementary
Amount: \$1,798.50 for "[Home Team Advantage](#)"
- **Judy Wells**, Ashbel Smith Elementary
Amount: \$1,189.25 for "[Using Interactive Software to Improve Hearing Impaired Students Listening Skills](#)"
- **Megan Dickey**, Lee High School
Amount: \$1,000 for "[Remote Video interpreting in Non-Traditional Settings](#)"

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- **Nicole Grisham**, Clark Haney and Kristi Tucker, Austin Elementary
Amount: \$1,857.40 for "Hands on Scientists"
- **Keri Ann Klingman**, Walker Elementary
Amount: \$1,044 for "The Wonderful World of Difficult Speech"
- **Ashley Johnson**, Carver Elementary
Amount: \$2,000 for "The Starz Academy"
- **Harry Barber**, Carver Elementary
Amount: \$1,000 for "Claude Monet Traveling Art Exhibit"

- **Nancy Bonds and Angela Young**, Lamar Elementary
Amount: \$1,000 for "5th Grade Journalism Class"

The foundation is a private, non-profit organization established in 2009 to enhance the quality of education in the Goose Creek CISD schools. Teacher grants are awarded in the spring and fall.

For more information, [visit the GCCISD Education Foundation website.](#)

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