

**CARTHAGE ISD EDUCATION FOUNDATION**  
**SUMMARY OF 2010-2011 GRANTS**  
**45 GRANTS—TOTAL OF \$123,950.71**

**CARTHAGE PRIMARY**

**ROUNDING UP A GOOD BOOK** **\$2,747.50** **SARAH CALVERT**

Family funding provides each first grader the pleasure of owning a hardback copy of The Armadillo Rodeo. Volunteers will read the book in each classroom and then present every student a wrapped copy to take home. Primary staff and the family selected a book appropriate for all first graders. Impacts 250.

**1ST GRADE: DISCOVERING THEIR WORLD (PART 2)** **\$4,744.49** **TIFFANY BROWN & BELINDA PARKER**

Research shows first graders effectively learn science concepts through developmentally appropriate, hands-on manipulatives. Students explore, measure, compare, sort, classify, and predict outcomes in different situations with these manipulatives. With these 6 additional sets, every first grade classroom will be equipped. Impacts 216.

**SENSATIONAL SCIENCE: ADVENTURES IN LEARNING** **\$758.48** **DONNA JONES & KIM MORRIS**

All first graders explore the SFA Planetarium to learn about the sun, planets, weather, and seasons--building on science concepts learned in both KG and first grade. Impacts 218. Grant also requested funds for first grade trip to Caldwell Zoo, which committee denied.

**TOUCH AND DISCOVER OUR WORLD** **\$4,537.98** **TINA MARION**

This grant funds 6 more sets of hands-on, developmentally appropriate manipulatives, equipping all kindergarten classes. Science, language, health, and nutrition are all areas where students will use these manipulatives to perform simple investigations to measure, compare, classify, and predict outcomes. Impacts 132.

**EXPLORE AND MORE AT THE DISCOVERY SCIENCE PLACE!** **\$1,467.50** **MELISSA JOHNSON & ELLEN DAY**

Kindergarten students travel to the Discovery Science Place in Tyler. The Discovery Science Place has age appropriate, hands-on activities and learning stations that keep the students actively engaged as they explore important science and social studies concepts. Impacts 218.

**TRICKS OF THE TRADE FOR FIRST GRADE TEACHERS** **\$5,000.00** **AMANDA IVY & SHARI SHULL**

This grant funds all first grade teachers' attendance (12) at the 14th Annual Conference for TX First Grade Teachers in Austin. Conference provides a multitude of new ideas based on the best practices for 1st graders. Research-based activities focus on learning centers, guided reading, math, science, & social studies themes. Impacts 218. Primary budget pays \$773.50 balance.

**MONKEY SEE, MONKEY DO, PRIMARY KIDS LOVE THE ZOO!** **\$ 588.00** **MELISSA JOHNSON & ELLEN DAY**

Firsthand observation of exotic animals at Caldwell Zoo in Tyler provides a memorable learning experience for all kindergarten students (212). Studying animals in natural habitats extends classroom instruction and supports campus objectives.

**IF YOU GIVE A MOUSE A COOKIE...WILL HE TAKE YOU TO THE THEATRE** **\$3,739.80** **DEBBIE MILLER**

Primary students (585) will attend the Children's Theatre performance of If You Give a Mouse a Cookie at SFASU. Exposure to a live professional performance of a familiar book will be a memorable experience. Combining literature with theatre and music helps students appreciate the artistry of the human spirit and develop their own creativity.

**ROLLING BACK IN TIME IN JEFFERSON, TEXAS** **\$2,891.80** **MERRY BAGLEY & TINA MILLS**

All first graders journey back in time in a memorable day in Jefferson, TX. Students will experience how technology has changed their lives as they take a narrated ride on a mule-drawn wagon, ride an authentic steam train, & enjoy ice cream in an old time general store.

**PRE-KINDERGARTEN STORY EXPLORERS****\$3,833.19****AMANDA HAMMERS**

This grant funds 6 Leapster-2's and many electronic learning games--providing each Pre-K class with a technology learning station that addresses all learning styles. Skills taught include number recognition, sequencing, letter recognition, vocabulary & story comprehension. The action-packed games benefit ESL students as well as all other Pre-K. Impacts 80.

**LIBBY ELEMENTARY****SPICE UP YOUR LIFE****\$709.34****KIMBERLY ROSE**

The Libby special education classroom (6) will "go green" & emulate the First Family's garden at the Whitehouse. The grant funds seeds, tools, & containers (hanging & bench style). Students will learn how to plant seeds, care for and harvest plants, and use them in a variety of ways. The project increases knowledge of the environment, math concepts, social studies, and life skills.

**THE WONDERS OF SCIENCE****\$811.10****TRYPHENA BLEDSOE**

David Wonders demonstrates scientific principles in a fast-paced, fun-filled program for Libby students (449). He will be on campus all day to repeat his "magic" over and over in small groups for maximum attentiveness and interaction.

**"HAROLD AND THE PURPLE CRAYON" AT COWAN CENTER, TYLER****\$2,040.00****MARCIE RHIDDLEHOOVER**

The "Harold" books celebrate children's imaginations and the unique ways they see the world. This live production at the Cowan Center gives students an opportunity to experience a much loved character come to life by combining life-size puppets, masks, magic, and music.

**CREATING AWESOME MATH TEAMS--CAMT****\$1,852.04****KAY HUBBARD**

Three Libby teachers will participate in this 3-day statewide math conference in San Antonio in July to learn innovative ideas from outstanding speakers and math teachers from the state and nation. Teachers choose from a large variety of sessions that include effective teaching strategies, using manipulatives, and critical thinking. EF funding for 5 years--Exemplary campus

**TRAVEL ON THE "FREEDOM TRAIN"****\$1,814.00****KAY HUBBARD**

All Libby 3rd graders (231) travel to SFASU to see an inspirational musical about Harriet Tubman and the Underground Railroad. The live professional performance incorporates dance, dialogue, and period music to tell the story of self-sacrifice, dedication, and survival.

**UP,UP, AND AWAY WITH HOT AIR BALLOONS!****\$1,995.00****KAY HUBBARD**

This grant brings a hot air balloon to the Libby campus with an outdoor demonstration of actual flight. The balloon will also be inflated inside the gym for all-day, small-group teaching sessions with students. This out-of-the-ordinary science activity relates to science concepts taught in the classroom and gives students a sense of the pioneering spirit that has motivated pilots for generations. All 2nd and 3rd grade students will be impacted. (449)

**BE INSPIRED BY A VISIT TO SCI-PORT****\$ 2,940.00****CARLA CHESHIRE**

A trip to Sci-Port Discovery Center in Shreveport provides exciting hands-on activities and experiences that directly relate to science TEKS. All third graders (240) become junior scientists.

**A VISIT IN NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE****\$ 1,975.00****SARAH CALVERT**

In small groups, 2nd & 3rd graders (449) will sit in a life-size tipi to hear stories & music from Tipi Tellers, a Dallas area group. Stories include age appropriate information about Native American perspectives. Students will learn about how human actions effect the environment, ecosystems, & experience a live dramatic performance.

**2ND GRADE ZOO ADVENTURE****\$ 572.00****CLARINDA HARDY**

A trip to the Caldwell Zoo brings second grade life science TEKS to life. Seeing is believing! Observing the actual living animals, compared to simply reading words about them, is a priceless experience. This trip impacts 220 second grade students.

**BAKER-KOONCE INTERMEDIATE****EXPERIENCING ART BREAK****\$1,438.75****SHELLEY GOOLSBY**

All 4th grade students visit Art Break in Shreveport in April. A highly interactive event, students choose 2 activities from 30 hands-on stations--painting, printing, other art media, singing, dancing, etc. Combines fine arts with history, math, and science. Impacts 215.

**HAVE BOOKS, WILL TRAVEL****\$1,249.50****GINGER McLAUGHLIN**

This grant is for 3 classroom sets (90 books) of award-winning literature accompanied by the book tape. Research shows reading with professional readers increases students' fluency & vocabulary while they learn more about Antarctica, Mexico, and Ancient Greece. Impacts 6th grade (193).

**A MEDIEVAL ADVENTURE****\$5,000.00****JANET SIMS**

A trip to Medieval Times in Dallas enables 6th grade students (163) to transfer their study of the Middle Ages--the feudal system, foods, knights, castles, heraldry, & weaponry--into a direct application of their knowledge. For many, travel to a large city is an important experience in itself. Grant funds transportation, mechanic, half of admission fees.

**OPERA ADVENTURES****\$ 600.00****LEANN WILLIAMS**

Following a 2-week study of opera as an art form, 4th-5th-6th grade students will enjoy a live performance by the Shreveport Opera Express in the CJHS auditorium. Impacts 609.

**WETLAND ADVENTURES****\$1,531.00****RHONDA HILLIN**

All 5th grade students (220) tour the Texas Freshwater Fish Hatcheries in Athens. In groups led by SFA graduate students, children will participate in hands-on activities which illustrate physical & earth science & the importance of protecting our wetland environment. They'll catch a fish, too!

**CARTHAGE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL****SCIENCE IS JUST FUN AND GAMES****\$5,000.00****JENNIFER MYERS**

This grant funds a CPS Student Response System (56 handheld remote controls and software) geared specifically toward science. Building on students' love of technology and handheld devices, all 8th grade science classes (185) will take regular assessments, quizzes, and play educational games which provide instantaneous feedback to both students & teachers. Math areas will also be addressed.

**5 STARS FOR ENCORE!!!****\$4,100.00****DIANE EDGE**

After studying 5 classic tales written by some of the greatest writers of the 19th century, students will be further enlightened by a professionally staged performance enriched with period costumes, sets, lighting, and sound effects. The professional touring company will perform at CJHS auditorium for all CJHS students (420)

**DESTINY ENHANCED****\$1,198.00****LYNDA JOHNSON**

This grant funds 3 enhanced content subscriptions which will greatly improve the usefulness of the CJHS-LRC online card catalogue. Title Peek allows students to see the book's cover; Web Path Express improves research capabilities; Standards Search module aids teachers with focused lesson plans.

**LET'S EDUCATE, MOTIVATE, AND COMMUNICATE**      **\$ 4,995.00**      **LYNDA JOHNSON & JEANNINE MILAM**  
The Vari Quest Cut-Out Machine creates tangible, curriculum- focused visuals which improve understanding and retention of key facts in core subjects. Three dimensional manipulatives and other visual aids strengthen student comprehension in all areas. Several teacher testimonials included. Impacts all CJHS students.

**BOUNCE RIGHT INTO FITNESS**      **\$3,880.84**      **MANDY LANCASTER**  
Students will become physically fit in a new and fun way with urban rebounders--small personal trampolines accompanied by aerobic videos. Safe, versatile, and effective, students will bounce their way to better health. Impacts 180.

**PUPPET PANDEMONIUM**      **\$1,246.49**      **SHELBYE ALMEDIA**  
This grant funds 7 sets of puppets (policeman, fireman, nurse, royal family, grandparents, puppies & children,) and a portable puppet stage. Seventh & eighth grade drama class students will write scripts, develop characters, & entertain audiences at Primary & Libby. Reading, writing, & verbal skills will be strengthened in many creative ways. Impacts 1,000+.

**ACCELERATE YOUR MATH SKILLS**      **\$4,817.76**      **KIM GRIFFITH & PETRA HAGAN**  
This grant funds a subscription to a web-based program, Accelerated Math, and 1 scanner to create online activities and paper assignments which are tailored to each student's current level. Immediate grading of online assignments and scanned pages provide students with instant feedback. Students can access the program from home or any location. Impacts 400.

**READ IT FORWARD**      **\$665.21**      **LYNDA JOHNSON**  
A campus-wide reading initiative program patterned on the premise that the recipient of a favor does a favor for a third party rather than paying the favor back. One hundred books of the same title will be distributed at random to students and faculty to read within 2 weeks, take the AR test, and pass it on. This creative reading program continues for 3 months & culminates with planned activities.

### **CARTHAGE HIGH SCHOOL**

**SAN ANTONIO...HERE WE COME**      **\$3,904.17**      **ANNETTE JOHNSON**  
This grant funds a trip for Quill & Scroll Honor Journalism students (12) to the Texas Association of Journalism Educators State Convention in San Antonio. Student competitions include writing, photography, advertising, layout & design, & more. This convention introduces students to many real world experiences in the field of journalism.

**THINK OF IT AS COACHING SCHOOL FOR UIL ACADEMICS**      **\$4,988.49**      **ANNETTE JOHNSON**  
UIL Academics is an important program that continues to grow at CHS. This grant funds teacher attendance (UIL Academic coaches-18) at the UIL Capital Conference in Austin in July. This conference encourages CHS UIL teachers to build their teams and broadens their knowledge of UIL events. Students (50+) involved in UIL Academics achieve more in class, score higher on ACT/SAT tests, and win many scholarships.

**BODIES:THE EXHIBITION**      **\$2,094.62**      **SHELICE REYES**  
CHS PAP & AP science students (75) will view full bodies dissected to show the human body's inter-related systems & functions at a Dallas exhibition. An unprecedented opportunity for learning human anatomy, physiology, and chemistry, nine galleries display the amazing functions of the skeletal, muscular, nervous, circulatory, digestive, & reproductive systems as well as prosthetic joints & surgical tools.

**COME SEE ME NOW!****\$3,030.40****CHARLES WORLEY & MARK DAVIS**

This technology encourages students' creative potential and marketable skills. Using new software to design logos, awards, t-shirts, etc., students will have up-to-date sublimation processes at their fingertips. Grant funds printer, ink, sublimation paper, and heat press. Impacts 300.

**A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A NEWSPAPER---KNOWLEDGE IS POWER!****\$1,536.00****CHERI BAGLEY, MELINDA RAMSEY, & KAREN McALISTER**

CHS Business students tour the Longview News Journal & gain exposure to reporting, writing, editing, photography, graphic design, page design, & on-line services as well as learning about the business side: circulation, advertising, human resources, accounting, & production. Students will gain insight into how a newspaper business balances making money with serving an important communications role in our society. 150

**VIGNETTES OF LIFE THROUGH HISTORY AND ART****\$1,822.00****KIM HORTON & STEVE GARRETT**

This grant funds exceptional enrichment activities for high school students participating in the PAP & AP English and Social Studies programs (45). Following classroom preparation, they will tour the Holocaust Museum, JFK Sixth Floor Museum, the Trammell and Margaret Crowe Collection of Asian Art, the Nasher Sculpture Center, and the Dallas Museum of Art.

**MAXIMUM INFORMATION FOR MAXIMUM LEARNING****\$4,476.00****NOLA MANIS**

These funds send 10 teachers from CHS, CJHS, & BK to CAST (Conference for the Advancement of Science Teachers of Texas) to learn what is new and relevant in science in the state, nation and world and bring these new ideas to their classrooms. Impacts 1,000+ students.

**CAMT CONFERENCE****\$3,882.75****ART HORTON**

This grant funds 7 high school math teachers' attendance at the 57th Annual Conference for the Advancement of Mathematics Teaching (CAMT) in San Antonio in July. Goal is to equip teachers with innovative tools & information to challenge students who live in a world where technologies create new opportunities and their knowledge & skills base must be broad enough to rethink, retrain, and resolve. Impacts 650 students.

**OPENING YOUR HEART TO A SCIENTIFIC WORLD-IV****\$5,000.00****NOLA MANIS**

This exciting field trip to the Houston Medical Center and Galveston Bay opens students' eyes to many different opportunities in scientific & medical fields. In Houston, AP Biology, Anatomy & Physiology students (32) observe open-heart surgery, attend informative medical lectures, & tour the Museum of Natural History. In Galveston (led by TAMU graduate students) they collect organisms in the Bay.

**THEATREFEST 2011****\$1,113.06****KIMBERLY FUNDERBURK**

The CHS and CJHS theatre teachers (2) will attend TheatreFest 2011 in Houston. This conference offers 145 innovative & creative workshops (lead by impressive special guests) for educators on all levels. Impacts 185 students. Grant requested 2 rooms. Modified to 1 hotel room for 2 female teachers.

**TV STUDIO AND FIELD EQUIPMENT****\$5,000.00****DAVE TRACY**

New studio and remote TV equipment builds CHS-TV's media production capabilities and allows CHS-TV students to work with the type of equipment professionals are using. Impacts 66 students directly, and all CISD benefits.

**LAUNCHING THE IMAGINATION****\$1,371.67****MILLI WILKIE**

This grant funds a student tour of the Dallas Art Museum, teacher attendance at the Texas State Art Conference, and videos of a variety of artists and art forms. Impacts 100 students.