

# Major Grants for 2016-2017

**Charter Alternative Academy**

**Karen Fuko**

**\$800**

**Art Therapy**

Grant will fund art materials to be used as Art Therapy. Students at this school are facing diverse challenges of neglect, loss, trauma and stress and they are often unable to share what they are feeling inside. Through art they can explore their feelings in a safe environment.

**Crowley**

**Rafael D. Enriquez**

**\$500**

**SCRATCH**

Applicant will purchase a kit from MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) using, SCRATCH, a programming language that lets students create programs. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will develop a 30 level math game that they can play with creative, tangible, real working controls.

**El Diamante**

**Kristen Pallas**

**\$1,522.88**

**MegaVox Speaker**

The grant will be used to purchase a new MegaVox speaker, stand and wireless microphone for band rehearsals. This equipment is extremely important to the success of our band, enabling us to give instructions to students spread out over the length of a football field and also allows students to receive feedback on their performance.

**El Diamante**

**Kelly Fjelstrom**

**\$500**

**High School Speech Coaching**

Money will be used to purchase a tripod, camcorder and SD memory cards for coaching, visualization and self-evaluation in the High School Speech course. The equipment allows students to analyze their own presentation. Self-evaluation is beneficial to understand body language, tone and volume.

**Golden West**

**Scott Vieira**

**\$4,000**

**Digital Art**

Grant will be utilized to purchase 3 iMac computers that will allow the Art Department to work on Digital Art skills which are a part of the California Standards. The school purchased 3 WACOM digital tablets last year but they do not function properly because they are connected to antiquated computers. The new computers will allow students to access this powerful artistic tool.

**Golden West**

**David Velasquez**

**\$2,500**

**Camera Equipment for Photography Department**

This award will allow applicant to purchase 3 new Canon DSLR cameras, 2 telephoto lenses, 1 macro lens and a portrait backdrop for the 125 student Photography Department. This will allow students to create new and exciting projects and challenge them in critical thinking, collaboration and creativity as they explore macro photography, professional portraiture and action photographs.

**Golden West                      Christina Ruddy                      \$750**  
**Parent Ed Evenings**

Money will be used to provide Parent Education Evenings for at-risk teens in the Adult Transition Program in cooperation with community service providers. These meetings will be held monthly and will allow parents to become educated on service and community resources to help their children as they transition to graduation and adulthood. It will help students to make informed decisions and become better advocates for themselves in the future.

**Green Acres                      Johnny Freitas                      \$4,926.40**  
**Basic Weight Training**

Grant will purchase basic weight training equipment for all students to use during PE classes and after school athletic practices. The equipment will be used to teach basic weight training and work out principles to all students on campus during PE. This grant will ensure that an entire class will be able to use the equipment efficiently.

**Goshen                      Dave Card                      \$1,168**  
**Goshen Morning News**

Applicant will purchase 3 iPads for their Morning News Team. The program they had been using was dropped by Adobe. This new program is a 21<sup>st</sup> Century equivalent called "Touchcast Studios" and is a free Apple-based product. To use the program they will need iPads to operate it. The 12 year old Morning News Program gives students the opportunity to speak in front of a camera while reading a teleprompter and helps students gain self- confidence and provides a service to the entire school.

**Highland                      Therese Hutchinson                      \$719.56**  
**Electronic Kits**

Money provides for the purchase of four Littlebits Electronic sets for students to experience light, sound and sensing in the new Makers Space in the Library. These kits provide projects that interest students in technology from beginning to advanced levels.

**Hurley                      Stephanie Gendron                      \$5,410.97**  
**Cafeteria Sound/Video System**

Grant will provide funds to purchase a ceiling mounted projector and projector cage in the cafeteria for school assemblies, activities and productions. They will also purchase a wall-mounted HDMI input on the stage and audio routing to the sound system. The school is currently 25 years old and needs to provide this update for the benefit of the students.

**Mt Whitney                      Patrick Hemphill                      \$2,500**  
**Science Lab**

Applicant will purchase a Vernier MIniQuest Lab interface to improve the capabilities of student research, data collection and applications for science instruction. This equipment will allow students to experiment, gather and analyze data in ways that mirror 21<sup>st</sup> century technologies in real world applications.

**Redwood                  Nick Miller**

**\$900**

**Journalism Recorders**

Money awarded will purchase two handheld audio recorders and headphones for the Journalism program. This will allow the program to add podcasting to the journalism class with both in-studio recording of interviews, as well as, in the field recording at sporting events and such. The program has equipment for audio editing and website publishing and these missing pieces will enable them to record quality audio.

**Special Ed                  Laurie Duerksen**

**\$590**

**Freshman Life Skills**

The grant will provide a culminating activity for Special Education Students in the Freshman Life Skills Classes at all comprehensive high schools. Students will use previously taught skills to access public transportation, including safety and etiquette lessons while riding a city bus and dining in a public restaurant. They will take notes from transit supervisor lecture, pay for a meal and appropriate tip using a budget.