

## **WEF Announces 2018-2019 Grant Recipients**

The Wakefield Educational Foundation (WEF) recently concluded its 2018-2019 Grant Review process. Wakefield Public Schools' administrators, staff, student leaders and PTOs were encouraged to submit applications to the WEF Grant Review Committee for projects, materials and presentations that support and enhance curriculum but fall outside this year's budget. WEF, through multiple fundraisers and generous donations, earmarked \$30,000 to be awarded to applicants whose submissions aligned with the mission of WEF. Just over \$30,000 was awarded to 20 different applicants across Wakefield Public Schools.

This year's grant award recipients are: Dynamic Speaker promoting "Natural Highs" and Meaningful Messages Motivational Wall Art at WHS; NAO: A Programmable, Humanoid Robot; Camp Nihan Watershed Awareness Program; Author Yoko Kawashima Watkins; Museum of Science Traveling Program; and Hatching Chicks through Incubation at Galvin; New England Aquarium's Travelling Tidepool Program at Dolbeare; Discovery Museum's Traveling Science Workshop; Mindfulness in the Classroom; Outdoor Garden Seating Area & Educational Materials at Greenwood; Aquarium Outreach Programs: Tidepools Alive and Tidepools Habitat at Walton; Second Grade Garden Project and "Wishtree Woodville" Project at Woodville; Preschool STEAM Math & Science and Resources & Tools for Social-Emotional Development at Doyle; Theatre Arts; Explore STEAM Night 2019; Learning about Difference & Disabilities (LADD) presents "Helen Keller-Champion of the Disabled"; and Rock Tumblers for Grade 4, District-wide.



**Shown in photo:** Students at the Walton School enjoy guest John Porcino's program of "One World: Multicultural Tales, Songs and Ethnic Musical Instruments." This program was one of many supported by WEF Grants in the 2017-2018 school year. Students pictured in front of the Wakefield Senior Center. Credit: Stephanie Goryl Photography