

Funded Mini-Grants 2011-2014

Spring 2014

The PTSA Mini-grant Committee received 19 interesting and compelling mini-grant applications this spring for a total of \$6025.05 in requests. Thanks to a grant from the Sequoia Education Foundation, we were able to fully or partially fund all 19 of the requests. A number of considerations were used to evaluate and rank the applications, including the number of students who would benefit, the potential future recurring benefits, the academic and curricular value, and the compelling need of the request. Priority was given to applications that will have a long-lasting impact on students and to ones for particularly critical classroom needs or populations.

Congratulations to all recipients!

Sequoia PTSA Spring 2014 Minigrant Program	
TOTAL GRANT APPLICATIONS	19
TOTAL FUNDING REQUESTED	\$6,025.05
TOTAL FUNDED	\$5,990.05

	Dept	Name	Project	Funded
1	World Languages	Karina Chin	French Children's books	60.00
2	World Languages	Karina Chin	french movie library	60.00
3	PE	Kathy Weingand	megaphone for PE	90.00
4	AVID	Cristelda Guillen	Avid college trip bus expenses	400.00
5	Latino Student Union Club	Cristelda Guillen	movie theatre trip	400.00
6	SpecEd	Rebecca Goodwin	Scholastic action subscription	284.24
7	Art Teacher	Clare Szydowski	Color printer for art classes	326.99
8	Robotics Club	Dylan Roof	Robotics Tourney & materials	400.00
9	Journalism	Kim Vinh	Revenreport.org	400.00
10	Science	Ben Canning	Shake flashlight for Physics	450.00
11	Math	Jim Karditzas	batteries for calculators	400.00
12	Math	David Lee	HP Elitebook 2730	500.00
13	English	Stacy Wenzel	Books and rolling cart	400.00
14	Deca Business Club	Virginia Kiraly	library for SEQUOIA DECA BUSINESS CLUB	400.00
15	Dream Club	Kate Sheehan	ink cartridges and printer paper	400.00
16	Parent Center	Mayela Ramirez	Parent Center supply cabinets	433.82
17	Garden Club	Claire Spickermann	Ca-Natives Garden Beds	200.00
18	World Languages	Scott Stalder-Scarmoutsos	Ap Spanish 1-day training	215.00
19	Math Department	Jim Karditzas	math league and At/Pac competitions	170.00
TOTAL FUNDED				5990.05

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The PTSA Mini-grant Committee received 39 mini-grant applications this fall for a total of \$11,944.75 in requests. The decisions were very difficult this year as the applications were very thoughtful and represented a very wide variety of important needs in the school community. Thanks to a grant from the Sequoia Education Foundation, we were able to fully or partially fund 27 of the requests.

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Sequoia PTSA Mini-Grants Fall 2013				
Total Grant Applications				39
Total funding Requested				\$11,944.75
Total Funded				\$6,986.00
	Name	Dept/Club	Project	Funded
1	Abbie Korman	English	Chromebooks: Digital Literacy in the English Department	400.00
2	Alissa Talesnick	English/Reading	Intervention ELA eBook accessibility	249.61
3	Ashley Dever	Biotech	Biofuels: A Closer Look	200.00
4	Cameron Farris	STARS 1 Teacher, SPED	Cloud Technology	248.00
5	Catherine Lemmi	Science	Global Science Suppl. Materials	170.33
6	Claire Spickermann	SHS Garden Club	The Sequoia Garden Club	140.00
7	Cristelda Guillen	AVID	AVID SAT Prep	400.00
8	Cristelda Guillen	Latino Student Union Club	Latino Student Union money to bring AZTECA performers	200.00
9	Cristelda Guillen	Spanish	General supplies and material for student activities/projects in Spanish Classes	150.00
10	Dana Martinezmoles	Special Education	Monterey Field Trip	400.00
11	Nick Boldrey	Special Education	Monterey Field Trip	250.00
12	Dy Nguyen	GSA Club	GSA and LGBTQ young adult books	205.00
13	Dylan Roof	Robotics Club	Robotics Tournament	200.00
14	Evan Hart	Speech and Debate Club	Speech and Debate Tournament	200.00
15	James Beacom	Science/Chemistry	Flame Test Labs with Spectroscopes	400.00
16	Joan Fiser	ELD / BRT	ELD 2 Biography Unit	355.40
17	Karina Chin	French/World Languages	French Children's books	50.00
18	Karina Chin	French/World Languages	Let's listen together!	32.00
19	Karol-Ann Coleman	Special Education	Technology in the Classroom	390.00
20	Kate Sheehan	VPA	Digital Photography – filters/cameras	397.14
21	Kaylin Laine	Health Careers Academy	Bloggies for Health Education	170.00
22	Laura Larkin	Math Dept	AMC Math Contests	400.00
23	Melissa Perez	Avid	AVID College Visits	300.00
24	Sarah Newman	Science	Sequoia School Garden	298.52
25	Scott Stalder-Skarmoutsos	Spanish/World Languages	Projects a more fun!	150.00
26	Scott Stalder-Skarmoutsos	Spanish/World Languages	AP Spanish Language Books for Success!	230.00
27	Stacy Wenzel	English/ELD	The Book Whisperer	400.00
Total				6986.00

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TOTAL GRANT APPLICATIONS	33
TOTAL FUNDING REQUESTED	\$10,776.94
TOTAL FUNDED	\$5,367.00

	Dept	Name	Project	minigrant funding
1	World Languages	Karina Chin	French Film Education	50.00
2	Science	Rebecca Rush	Computer Speakers	167.73
3	Student Club	Marijke Silberman	Africause Dance Workshop	100.00
4	Math	Steven Wong	Mounted LCD Projector	380.00
5	World Languages	Cristelda Guillen	Spanish 2 NS Class Books	183.57
6	Guidance	Joni Gordon	Dragon Naturally Speaking	70.00
7	World Languages	Martha Sigala & Belen Alvarez	Individual Orals Microphones	100.00
8	Social Studies	Nancy Berry	Classroom Laptop	400.00
9	Special Education	Karole-Ann Coleman	Differentiated Tech for Instruction	399.00
10	AVID	Teresa Yeager	AVID College Application Fees	200.00
11	World Languages	Scott Stalder-Skarmousos	Zambombazo! Cultural/Musical website	215.45
12	English	Barbara Morton	Class Library	200.00
13	Math	Don Hoban	Classroom supplies	100.00
14	World Languages	Karina Chin	Let's get reading!	120.00
15	Special Education, etc.	Elizabeth Guli, etc.	Teachers Book Group	200.00
16	Math	Kelley O'Hern	Whiteboards	339.84
17	English	Justine Rutigliano	IB Study Materials – Communist Manifesto	125.00
18	Math	Laura Larkin	Lunchtime Math Contests	170.00
19	Clubs	Anna Dagum	Bike club funds	230.00
20	Science/Physics	Allison Stafford	Scientific Calculators for Physics Classroom	100.00
21	Journalism	Kim Vinh	Journalism camera/InDesign sw	277.95
22	Math Department	Beth Peters	Twist-It Rulers	395.51
23	Social Studies	Lydia Cuffman	Promises DVD for World Studies students	112.95
24	Math/Geometry	Laura Larkin	Scientific Calculators for Geometry Classroom	100.00
25	World Language Dept	Evelyn Nadeau	World Language Dept. Laminator	230.00
26	Science	Ashley Dever	Biotech Supplies	400.00
	TOTAL FUNDED			5367.00

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Fall 2012

The Sequoia PTSA is proud to announce the results of its Fall 2012 Mini-Grant Program. Thanks to memberships, donations, and a generous grant from the Sequoia High School Education Foundation, the Sequoia PTSA budgeted \$4,875 to the Mini-Grant program. The program was designed to benefit academically as many Sequoia High School students as possible through innovative and creative grants submitted by teachers, students, and staff.

We received 33 grants with a total of nearly \$11,300 in requests from a wide variety of applicants. A number of considerations were used to evaluate and rank the applications, including the number of students who would benefit, the potential future recurring benefits, the academic and curricular value, and the compelling need of the request.

Congratulations to all recipients!

FALL 2012 MINI-GRANT PROGRAM AWARD RECIPIENTS

Department	Name	Project	Funded
ELD dept chair	Jane Slater	Flash Drives for ELD/cloud drive	\$150.00
World Languages	Tovah Skiles	Spanish Dictionaries	\$132.70
IB	Cameron Dodge	ITGS textbooks	\$400.00
World Languages	Evelyn Nadeau	Brain POP	\$205.00
Cycling club	Anna Dagum	USA Cycling Team Membership	\$50.00
Journalism	Anna Dagum	Raven Newspaper	\$100.00
PE dept	Kathy Weingand	Badminton/ tennis racquets	\$200.00
Math Department	Beth Peters	36 scientific calculators	\$385.71
Special Ed	Karol-Ann Coleman	Differentiated Instruction technology -ipad	\$399.00
World Languages	Laetitia Kuttan	French Library	\$130.00
Math Department	Laura Larkin	American math Competition	\$400.00
Chess Club/Math	Steven Wong	Puzzle books, chess strategy books	\$200.00
World Languages	Tovah Skiles	computer speakers for Spanish	\$119.30
Math Department	Jim Karditzas	compasses for geometry	\$400.00
Spanish	Cristelda Guillen	Supplies for Spanish classes	\$100.00
AVID	Scott Stalder-Skarmoutsos	Must-Read additions to Avid	\$204.21
Science Dept	Debolina Dutta	Dissolved Oxygen Water Kit	\$243.25
Robotics Club	Dylan Roof	Two Robotics Tournaments	\$100.00
Science Dept	Katie Finley	Flashlights for global science labs	\$50.00
English	Jason Drogin	SSR books for English Intensive	\$200.00
Science Dept	Catherine Lemmi	Dissolved Oxygen Water Kit	\$243.25
Debate Team	Amir Amerian	Debate Team tournaments	\$100.00
Math Department	Kelley O'Hern	hinged mirrors for geometry	\$263.00
Science	Mitch Weathers	National Science Teachers Association conference	\$100.00
			\$4875.42

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Spring 2012

The Sequoia PTSA is proud to announce the results of its Spring 2012 Mini-Grant Program. This spring, the Sequoia PTSA budgeted \$2,000 to the Mini-Grant program. We received 18 grants with a total of nearly \$4,800 in requests. Thanks to additional generous donations from the Sequoia High School Education Foundation, Carolyn Baxter, Gordon Bliss and Mobius Fit, Anne-Marie Brest, Marco and Tracy DeMiroz, Rebecca Flynn and Alex Moissis, Marlena and Tim Griffin, Terry and Daniel Jacobs, the Lemieux family, Christina Ryffel, Andrew and Grace Schulz, Winnie and Danny van der Rijn, Sofie Vandeputte, and an anonymous Sequoia family, we were able to award gifts to all the grant applications this year.

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SPRING 2012 MINI-GRANT PROGRAM AWARD RECIPIENTS

Department	Name	Project	Funded
Spec Ed/speech	Marilyn Vandebroeck	GARS -2 Kit for autism	\$158.00
Quiz kids club	Tristan Knoth	National History Bowl	\$100.00
AVID	Karina Chin	Writing notebooks for Avid students – for college apps	\$160.00
French club	Karina Chin	Bike Riding in France	\$210.00
Math dept	Laura Larkin	Math contests	\$170.00
Spec Ed	Rebeca Rifenberg	Content Area library for Spec ed and ELL students	\$400.00
French Dept	Karina Chin	French DVD Library	\$50.00
Spanish Club	Scott Stalder-Skarmoutsos	Sequoia Spanish Exchange Visits	\$400.00
German Dept	Claudia Meyer-Kispersky	Movies for Germany and TOK	\$40.00
Chess Club	Steven Wong	Chess Club timers	\$330.00
English Dept/Health Academy	Jaren Boland	Of Mice and Men performance	\$360.00
AVID	Scott Stalder-Skarmoutsos	Avid Weekly subscription	\$400.00
English Dept	Abigail Korman	Apple TV	in kind
World Languages	Evelyn Nadeau	Electronic handheld English-Spanish dictionaries / Don Quixote DVD movie	\$352.88
ELD and English	Stacy Wenzel	ELD 2 Literature Circles	\$400.00
Science	Tiffany Burkle	Educational Science Games	\$400.00
Journalism	Kim Vinh	Raven Report partial publishing costs	\$400.00
Math dept	Michael Feeney	Markers for algebra readiness students	\$43.24

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This fall, we received a total of 19 grants requesting \$6,585. The PTSA was able to fund partially or completely 11 requests for a total of \$3516.80. We were fortunate to receive an additional \$309.80 in private donations to supplement the \$2,000 budgeted by the PTSA. We were also able to augment our funding with \$1,207 from the Sequoia Tech Bond. Priority in awarding the grants was given to proposals that benefitted many students academically and/or would have long term benefits to future students. The recommendations of the Mini-Grant committee were unanimously accepted at the November 1, 2011 PTSA meeting.

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FALL 2011 MINI-GRANT PROGRAM AWARD RECIPIENTS

Department	Name	Project	Funded
Robotics Club	Vinoj Govinthasamy/ Laura Larkin	Robotics tournaments	\$250.00
French	Karina Chin	French movie dvds	\$ 50.00
Math	Laura Larkin	Math competition	\$400.00
Math	Steven Wong	Calculator batteries	\$292.80
Journalism	Kim Vinh	Raven Report publishing costs	\$400.00
English	Natalie Baldaccini	Colormarking pencils for all English students	\$467.00
English	Stacy Wenzel	IB Approaches in EL (English learner) Classrooms	\$150.00
Spanish	Scott Stalder-Skarmoutsos	Spanish novels	\$300.00
TOTAL			\$2,309.80
Additional donations from private sources to supplement PTSA funding			\$309.80
Total spent from PTSA Mini-Grants budget			\$2,000.00
English	Amie Ranum	16 voice recorders for IB English	\$400.00
Visual arts	Kate Sheehan	3 digital cameras	\$405.00
Science	Beth Kassler	6 Flip cameras	\$402.00
Total Tech Bond Funding			\$1,207.00

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Dept	Name	Project	Funded
math	Jim Karditzas	Geometry linking blocks	54.30
Math	Laura Larkin	Math contests 2011	155.00
French/Avid	Karina Chin	french DVDs	60.00
French/Avid	Karina Chin	itunes card for french music	50.00
Spanish	Scott Stalder-Skarmoutsos	Spanish novels	258.63
German	Claudia Meyer-Kispersky	German DVDs	60.00
Music	Daniel Broome	cello stops-orchestra	67.35
World Studies	Nancy Berry	world almanac books	180.00
AVID	Tessa Yeager	SAT prep books	319.72
leadership	Lauren Reibstein	5 canopies \$100 each	200.00
Guidance	Kalani Vasquez	fee for Trish Hatch wksp on data driven counseling	195.00
Guidance	Lisa McCahon	College conference fee	400.00
			2,000.00

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English	Justine Rutigliano	mini recorders for IB Preparation	450.00
English	Jasmine Schimek	4 flip cameras for othello classes	324.00
English	Abigail Korman	4 flip cameras for faculty best practices	324.00
			1,098.00