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2022 Enhanced Learning Mini-Grants Announcement

The Surry County Schools Educational Foundation is excited to announce the recipients of the 2022 Enhanced Learning Mini-Grants! Sixteen mini-grants were awarded to nineteen teachers at twelve different schools on Monday, May 9, 2022. The team included Mr. John Priddy, Surry County Schools Educational Foundation Board Chairperson, Dr. Terri Mosley, Retired SCS Board of Education Chairperson, Kim Freeman, SCS Administrative Assistant, and Mrs. Ashley Mills, Surry County Schools Educational Foundation Managing Director.

Twenty-four applications were received and read in early May by a committee, which included board members: John Priddy, Dr. Terri Mosley, Kim Freeman, John Philips of Philips State Farm, and Ashley Mills. The funding total of the mini-grants is over \$13,000.

The 2022 Enhanced Learning Mini-Grant recipients are:

- Blair Lambert, Flat Rock Elementary – Magic Book Bus Summer Literacy Program
- Victoria Calhoun, Cedar Ridge Elementary – Panthers Book Bus
- Janna Blakeney & Deena Rhodes, Pilot Mountain Middle – Chemistry and Society
- Stephanie Miller, Surry Central High – Emerging Technology in Visual and Applied Arts
- Sharia Templeton, Dobson Elementary – Principal’s Book of the Month Leadership Club
- Jamie Mosley, Gentry Middle – Rev Up Your Learning
- Susan Cromer, North Surry High – Dirt Less Growth
- Korey Buelin, Meadowview Magnet Middle – Show Me the Money!
- Emily Dollyhite, Mountain Park Elementary – STEM Bins
- Shaunda York, Franklin Elementary – STEM Bins for Student Success!
- Celia Perry, Meadowview Magnet Middle – Second Chance Garden
- DeAnna Walker, Copeland Elementary – Making Music Together Again
- Stephanie Bode & Christie Robertson, Gentry Middle – Making History: The 8th Grade Wax Museum
- Laura Whitaker, Westfield Elementary – Leader of the Month Book Club
- Ashley Talbott & Hannah Nixon, Cedar Ridge Elementary – Stemming into 2nd Grade
- Eric Jessup, North Surry High – Banjo Education

Each project must directly involve and benefit students, support the overall goals of the classroom, support STEM education, reading achievement goals, and/or the arts. Award-winning teachers must complete the project within the next school year.

Mr. Korey Buelin, Social Studies Teacher at Meadowview Magnet Middle School said, ‘My students are not very familiar with personal finance. By using board games, and the current math curriculum, I’m hoping to help students become familiar with real-life financial needs, like how rent, mortgages, and

expenses work. I also want to prepare them for the newly required Personal Finance Class they'll have in high school.”

“I am so thrilled that Mr. Buelin has been awarded this mini-grant,” says Mrs. Nicole Hazelwood, Principal of Meadowview Magnet Middle School. “This project is such a creative way to introduce financial skills in a fun and creative way!”

The Surry County Schools Educational Foundation is committed to investing in education and affecting the lives of students through educational experiences inside and outside the classroom as well as investing in our teaching professionals. For more information about the Surry County Schools Educational Foundation, please contact Ashley Mills at (336) 386-8211 or visit scsfoundation.org.