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Pennsbury Education Foundation Announces Winter Grant Awards

(FALLSINGTON, PA – December 13, 2018) The Pennsbury Education Foundation (PEF) recently awarded seven grants to schools across the Pennsbury School District, totaling nearly \$7,000.00. The PEF is a 501(c)3 organization that relies on donations and supports the purpose of improving teaching and learning in Pennsbury through innovative educational initiatives. Grants are awarded through an application process that occurs twice each year.

The following grant recipients were announced by PEF President, Annette Young:

- Oxford Valley Elementary School Principal Donna Minnigh and librarian Jennifer Dillon - \$500 to purchase a MackinVIA digital content management system.
- Penn Valley Elementary School Principal Barbara Hidalgo and teachers Kristin June, Sue Kline, and Jess Sheedy - \$1,600 to purchase Bee-Bot coding tiles.
- Penn Valley Elementary School Principal Barbara Hidalgo and librarian Jennifer Dillon - \$500 to purchase a MackinVIA digital content management system.
- Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School Principal Lisa Follman and reading specialist Alisa Myles and teacher Reita Bakshi - \$1,500 to purchase books for the *Diversity through Multi-Cultural Literature* program.
- Makefield Elementary School Principal Donna McCormick-Miller and teacher Colleen Fucich - \$565 to fund a Franklin Institute assembly covering the science concepts of water.
- Charles Boehm Middle School Principal Travis Bloom, librarian Carolyn Wert, and reading specialist Maria Gregory - \$1,800 to host author Jordan Sonnenblick in the spring of 2019.
- Pennwood Middle School Principal Derek Majikas and teachers Colleen Brodbeck and Abby Bevington - \$400 to fund the Egypt and Nile River Virtual Tour.

In addition to gathering generous donations from local funding sources and individual donors, the PEF also participates in the PA Department of Community and Economic Development's Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program, which awards tax credits to businesses making contributions to the PEF. For more information, visit the following site:

<https://dced.pa.gov/programs/educational-improvement-tax-credit-program-eitc/>

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