



PENNSBURY PARTNERS PROGRAM

2018 - 2019

The Pennsbury Partners Program (PPP) has forged over 1,000 partnerships with businesses and local community organizations for the last 20 years, benefiting Pennsbury students, families, and the community.

These partnerships enable the School District to:

- demonstrate real-life applications of the Pennsbury curriculum;
- offer opportunities for students to provide community service; or
- offer mentoring programs and other career awareness and development activities to prepare students for satisfying careers.

Each partnership helps to prepare students for higher education and the workforce of our future.

PARTNERSHIP YEAR-END SUMMARY

The Pennsbury Partners Program had another busy and successful year in 2018-2019.

1. A diverse group of new Partners was welcomed during the past year, including Sprint of Langhorne, Elmwood Park Zoo, SafeTeensOnline.org, the Travis Manion Foundation, Starbucks of Oxford Oaks, and we expanded partnerships with Wells Fargo Bank, Bucks County Workforce Development, PA American Water, and Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.
2. The Partners Program celebrated the 20th year of recognizing outstanding business and non-profit partnerships via the annual Partnership Recognition Reception. Approximately 120 business people, non-profits, administrators, School Board members, teachers, and community members attended. The **Non-Profit Partner of the Year for 2018-2019** was **AOY Art Center**. **ShopRite of Yardley** was honored as the **Business Partner of the Year for 2018-2019**.
3. The Pennsbury Partners Advisory Board Mini-Grant Committee awarded seven schools with 12 special **corporate-sponsored grants** totaling just over \$4,000 in the fall of 2018. The main purpose of the annual PPP Mini-Grant program is to foster partnership development in each school. *See next page for more information.*
4. In addition to the fall round of PPP Mini-Grant Awards, the Pennsbury Partners Advisory Board also awarded six schools with a spring round of PPP Mini Grant awards totaling over \$2,600. *See next page for more information.*
5. Corporate sponsorships received for next year's PPP Mini-Grants reached \$9,750. We had a great year generating interest in the Pennsbury Partners sponsorship tee shirt, with many returning and new donors boosting fundraising efforts.
6. The PPP Office provided over \$3,100 to support transportation costs for students to visit twelve different Partner locations in the community.

PPP MINI-GRANTS

Applications were reviewed by the PPP Advisory Board Committee, and the following eleven schools received eighteen PPP Mini-Grants totaling just over \$6,700.

Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary (\$370):

- Alisa Myles – *Family Night at the Fallsington Library*

Fallsington Elementary (\$1305):

- Edward Obert-Thorn – *Habitats and Ecosystems with the Fallsington Library*
- Sheila Miley/Jennifer Tietz – *Leaves & Trees Treasure Hunt and Leaf Printing with the Fallsington Library*
- Kristen Cahill – *Let's Learn about Personal Safety with NOVA*
- Chris Rosica – *Rocks and Minerals with the Fallsington Library*
- Amy Tomko/Sandy Yates – *Science Meets Art: Toys and Games Workshop with the Fallsington Library*
- Edward Obert-Thorn/Diane Mount/Chris Rosica/Kimmie Massaroni – *Spring Gardening with Snipes Farm & Education Center*

Makefield Elementary (\$500):

- Staci Northrup/Nancy Courtney/Karen Baran – *5th Grade School to Work with various community Partners*

Manor Elementary (\$410):

- Lauren Jacoby – *Churchville Nature Center Experience*

Oxford Valley Elementary (\$500):

- Cherie Lynne Kooker/Heather Ryan – *Litterless Lunch/Edible Landfill with Waste Management*

Penn Valley Elementary (\$500):

- Betty Zubrzycki – *Classroom Library Replenishment Program with Barnes & Noble – Oxford Valley*

Quarry Hill Elementary (\$400):

- Nancy Mitsos – *Habitats Around the World with the Philadelphia Zoo/Little Zoo*

Walt Disney Elementary (\$735):

- Lorie Becker – *Habitats Around the World with the Philadelphia Zoo/Little Zoo*
- Duane Kolar – *Family Board Game Night with Barnes & Noble – Oxford Valley*

Charles Boehm Middle (\$500):

- Tammy Allen/Joy Booz – *Zero Gravity Jump Rope Activity*

Pennwood Middle (\$500):

- Pamela McDannell – *U.S. Army CERDEC Flight Activity*
- Tracey Arndt/Holly Fellows/Marsha Herb – *Zero Gravity Jump Rope*

Pennsbury High School- West (\$500):

- Frank Mayo – *Career Fair with various Partners*