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THANK YOU SUPPORTERS OF OUR FIFTH ANNUAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE & FUND RAISER



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Our thanks to the close to 200 attendees, including staff, friends, family and a number of our generous sponsors who helped celebrate three outstanding Osborn educators and at the same time raise funds for Foundation programs at our Fifth Annual Teacher of the Year Event, October 22. We are pleased to announce that the event raised a grand total of \$74,650 net, with a record \$16,630 of that amount in support of KidsRead. These results would not have been possible without the amazing support of our generous silent auction donors and event sponsors.

Special thanks to event chairs **Patty Tate** and **Marty Makar**, emcees **Michelle Doherty** and **Jeff Martin**, our talented videographer **Brendan Stacey**, and our amazing Platinum Sponsors, **Brian Hamm** of **CORE Construction** and **Barb Dawson** and **Ed Hermes** of **Snell and Wilmer** who helped present awards to our honorees.

Following the program, Osborn principals, Felipe Carranza, Encanto; Dr. Lisa Norwood, Longview; Jeff Martin, Clarendon and Alicia Pierson, Montecito, accepted checks totaling \$5,649 for the 18 teachers awarded fall mini-grants earlier in the week. See details on page three.

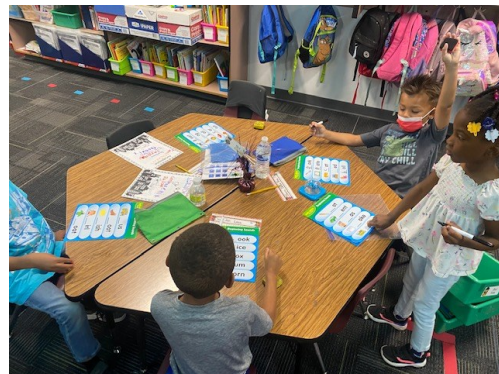
Desiree Barnett — A Master of the Mini-Grant

Encanto Kdg Teacher Desiree Barnett is no stranger to the Mini-Grant. She has written numerous successful grants including a four-week science unit focusing on the life cycle of insects. A \$75 mini-grant purchased live ladybug larvae, live ants and an ant habitat.



She also submitted a successful grant for \$294.68 for hands-on materials for math and science centers for students. She just received a \$295 grant to purchase outdoor recess materials such as hula hoops, ring toss, sidewalk chalk and jump ropes. All K-3 students at Encanto benefit.

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The Osborn School District Educational Foundation (OSDEF) has four successful signature programs:

- KidsRead
- Teacher Mini-Grants
- Sports Programs
- Requests for Funding

To learn more about us and how to support our programs, please visit

www.osbornfoundation.org

OSBORN SCHOOL DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The mission of the Osborn School District Educational Foundation is to encourage innovation, promote healthy campuses and support creative experiences in and out of the Osborn School District classroom. Osborn School District Educational Foundation provides support and funding to supplement traditional funding sources to insure that all Osborn students have a comprehensive educational experience regardless of their socioeconomic status.

FOUNDATION PROGRAMS HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Osborn School District Educational Foundation **supports innovation in education through mini-grants in amounts up to and including \$300**. These grants are funded by the Phoenix West Rotary Club in honor of former Superintendent Dr. Wilma Basnett. The grants are to be used by teachers and staff for **educational opportunities involving students**.

OSDEF goals are to support programs that:

- ◆ Improve students' physical and mental health
- ◆ Enhance literacy, math, science and the arts
- ◆ Provide innovation and enhancement of education



Teachers and staff follow these same guidelines for Requests for Funding (RFF) when projects exceed \$300. Staff may submit requests for funding for both mini-grants and RFF twice a year, spring and fall.

Staff continues to amaze OSDEF board members with their creative ideas for innovative programs for students!

THANKS TO OUR AMAZING SPONSORS!

We are grateful for the generous sponsors who helped assure our 2022 Teacher of the Year event was a success!

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LONGVIEW BILINGUAL TEAM RETURN FROM LA COSECHA DUAL LANGUAGE CONFERENCE IN SANTA FE



As recipients of a \$5,770 OSDEF Request for Funding Grant last spring, Longview Dual Language (DL) teachers have recently returned from the La Cosecha Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico November 2-5. In attendance were **Rocio Ramirez, Rosaisela Elias, Maria Green, Nidia Hurtado, and Roy Vasquez**. **Daniela Hernandez** attended virtually.

The team learned from practitioners and academic experts who provided a wealth of the latest research, information, and instructional best practices relating to emerging bilingual and biliteracy programs. All participants had the opportunity to attend up to eight training sessions and are full of ideas to start enhancing and improving their teaching strategies.



In coordination with Monica Artea, Curriculum Specialist for Language Acquisition and Biliteracy, the team will share their experiences and strategies learned at the conference with their Dual Language colleagues throughout the District, probably in January. Children will be the ultimate beneficiaries of this new learning.

FALL 2022 TEACHER MINI-GRANT WINNERS

Congratulations to eighteen staff members below who submitted successful proposals for the Fall 2022 Mini-Grant cycle. The brief descriptions highlight the focus of each proposal. These innovative programs were funded by the Phoenix West Rotary Club. Checks were distributed to principals at the end of the Teacher of the Year event. Applications for the spring mini-grant cycle will be distributed January 4, 2023. Proposals are due January 30 for implementation in the spring.

Project/Teacher	Grade/School	Description	Budget
Adding Spice to New Garden Area Jill Singh/Katrina Roberts	K-1-2 Montessori Montecito	Adding specialized herbs to compliment other garden projects in the recent addition of new courtyard gardens.	\$280
Alphabet Arch Literacy Katy Deniolos	1-3 Longview	Six sets of the <i>Really Good Stuff Alphabet Arch Learning Center</i> —upper-and-lower case letters and mats for letter placement	\$155
Creating a Flexible Learning Space Jessica Dodge	4 Clarendon	To help with student engagement learning self-regulation and executive functioning skills--Fidget Chair Bands, Dough Balls, acupressure rings, light filters, adjustable stools, adjustable recliner	\$293
Dual Language Foundations Rocio Ramirez	K Longview	<i>Really Good Stuff Materials</i> to engage students in learning letter names and sounds as well as reading in both English and Spanish.	\$291
Learning our ABC's Carrie Crompton	K Longview	Twelve sets of <i>Really Good Stuff Alphabet Arch Learning Mats</i> to engaging students in letter and sound identification activities	\$286
LETRS in Action Guillermina Valles	K Longview	Ten sets <i>Really Good Stuff Alphabet Arch Literacy Center Alphabet Recognition Activity</i> to enhance student's reading development	\$239
Social Emotional Arts Anna Feria	4-6 Clarendon	Lessons using social emotional learning and art therapies with 4 th graders—purchasing 180 Days of Social-Emotional Learning for Fifth Grade Social Skills games	\$306
Structured Literacy Samantha Wright	K-6 Longview	Use the University of Florida Literacy Institute Foundation's book of lesson plans to follow the <i>Science of Reading</i> scope and sequence with fidelity + card stock	\$316
Cricut Maker Machine Sara Borghaus	PS-3 Encanto	Purchase a Cricut Maker machine for staff to make hands-on materials for students	\$256
3-D Printing Supplies Rebecca Greenberg	2-3 Encanto	Printing filament refills for Makers Empire 3D curriculum so students can print their 3D innovations	\$295
Child's Play Desiree Barnett, Brenna Annibale, Amanda Renning, Maria Garcia	K-3 Encanto	<i>Child's Play</i> to perform <i>Tomas and the Library Lady</i> , based on a true story of the son of a migrant worker. K-3 Teachers pooled their \$300 mini-grants so entire school could attend	\$1,150
Outdoor Recess Materials Desiree Barnett	K Encanto	Outdoor materials for student use at recess—Hula hoops, ring toss, skip ball, sidewalk chalk, jumpropes, storage	\$295
Rain Barrel Water System Mark Deyette	PE Encanto	Install a rain barrel water harvesting system to help irrigate existing Social Emotional Learning garden developed through a Spring 2020 grant	\$317
Flexible Seating & a Sensory Station Hannah Evans	STEM Clarendon	Rocking chairs and chair bands and various sensory/fidget items	\$170
14 total programs funded		Total Mini-Grant Amount Funded	\$5,649



Applications for Requests for Funding (RFF) Grants for projects exceeding \$300 were distributed to Osborn staff October 28. Completed applications are due December 7. Successful applicants will be notified prior to winter break. Programs will be implement in the spring. Information is available on the OSDEF website at www.osbornfoundation.org