



Priority Based Grants

2023 Approved Proposals

Individual	School	Region	Number Impacted	Funding Amount	Description	Intended Outcomes
Melody Wagstaff	KCS Virtual Middle School	Region 5	56 staff and students	\$1,500	Purchase of science demonstration kits and science learning website to allow virtual students to be more engaged in learning to reinforce academic skills	Teacher usage of science kits will result in an increased engagement in learning and understanding of 8 th grade science standards to increase academic outcomes on the Science TCAP.
Jennifer Caldwell	Gresham Middle School	Region 4	130 staff and students	\$2,500	Use of triangle desks to support collaborative learning and math academic outcomes	Math student achievement success will increase 7-10% as measured by KCS district benchmark data because of students learning collaboratively.
Laurie Stansbury Nicole Richardson	Cedar Bluff Elementary	Region 2	45-80 staff and students	\$2,500	Purchase books for Eagle Reader Book Club for 3 rd -5 th grade students	Increase the number of participants in the book club and participant growth will be 10% or more from Winter to Spring ELA AimsWeb.
Sarah DeLapp Rhonda Walden	Dogwood Elementary	Region 3	173 staff and students	\$3,070	Purchase materials for PreK and Kindergarten teachers to expand reading small group instruction	Kindergarten students will improve their letter-sound fluency and word reading fluency on AimsWeb Benchmark from fall to spring.
David Gornto	Holston Middle School	Region 5	569 staff and students	\$3,500	Provide resources needed for the implementation of the "house system" that allows students to create ownership and leadership opportunities while impacting school improvement outcomes	Students participating in the house system will have lower absenteeism rates and less behavior referrals as measured by the previous year's data.
Laicee Hatfield	Karns High School	Region 2	1,433 staff and students	\$5,000	Support a "Stay Under 15" campaign to decrease student absenteeism rate	The "Stay Under 15" campaign will result in a decrease in the student absenteeism rate to impact academic outcomes.
Natalie Choate	Beaumont Elementary	Region 5	637 staff and students	\$6,000	Supply heart rate monitors and cafeteria calming corner supplies to support student behaviors in common area	Behavior referrals will decrease in the cafeteria and students will learn how their heart rate is linked to behavior.
Tanna Nicely	South Knox Elementary School	Region 3	160 staff and students	\$7,000	Provide students books, science, and math materials to help prevent the summer learning loss	Students who participate in the Summer Reading Challenge will show academic progress on the Fall AimsWeb screener.
Lynn Jacomen	Hardin Valley Elementary	Region 2	1,515 staff and students	\$7,000	Provide students with informational text and real-world experiences to learn about careers in their community that will align with Hardin Valley 865 Academies	Students will have an increased exposure to careers and pathways and be able to demonstrate their learned knowledge at an end of the year event.
Hannah Jacobsen Molly Moore	Fulton High School	Region 5	1,050 staff and students	\$7,500	Prevent summer learning loss by using student choice to provide more access to literature	20-30% of school population will participate in a summer reading program and participants will report an increase of engagement with reading over the summer months.



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Jennifer Vacek	Hardin Valley Academy	Region 2	1,512 staff and students	\$7,500	Fund the attendance of staff members to The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Conference that will help lead 2023-2024 school year PLCs and purchase HQIM to incorporate in ENG 1 & 2 classes to directly impact the academic disparities related to negative TVASS scores for BHN students	Conference attendees will disseminate information through staff PLCs. HQIM will be used to increase English 1 & 2 EOC subgroup scores.
Charlene Lewis	Career Magnet Academy	Region 3	252 staff and students	\$7,500	Prepare students for the ACT by purchasing ACT Prep books for all 10 th graders and IXL subscription	Students will increase their ACT composite scores by at least 1-2 points based on the practice tests in the ACT prep classes and the state ACT by May 2024. This overall goal will also support CMA's school goal of increasing the ACT composite score to 21.
James Allen	L&N Stem Academy	Region 3	615 staff and students	\$7,956	Create a mobile Nuclear Physics and Chemistry lab to be utilized by the Physics and Astronomy classes and create a virtual reality mobile station that can be utilized by all science and engineering classes	The utilization of these mobile labs will result in increased scores on EOCs, higher AP enrollment numbers and overall exposure to the science fields.
Kristin Risdahl Angie Maxey	Social Studies Department	All Regions	14,210 staff and students	\$10,000	Create Mobile Museums which will cover 3 rd -5 th grade American history standards	Students exposed to artifacts will exhibit greater academic success on TCAP or Mastery Connect.
Patricia Robeldo Sue Ownby	Special Education Department and Communications Department	All Regions	5,437 students identified as SPED and Spanish speaking	\$10,000	Create videos that will increase understanding for school staff working with interpreters during IEP meetings and videos for families about the IEP process for students	School staff, interpreters, and families who speak another language will have an increased understanding of Special Education services at KCS.
Carly Harrington	KCS Communications Department	All Regions	68,00 staff and students *wider impact than this number if including families and other stakeholder groups	\$10,000	Design and delivery of user-friendly resources on the KCS website for various departments that will meet the need for different community stakeholders	Overhaul of the website will improve the user online experience and increase awareness of resources amount staff and family as reported in surveys and focus groups.

New School Focus Grant

Sunny Scheafnocker Kristi Whited	Mill Creek Elementary School*	Region 2	800 staff and students by Spring 2025	\$10,000	KEF will grant funds to cover costs associated with building student engagement as students transition into a new school.	Students and families will report an engaging learning environment at a new school and have access to equipment to use for healthy activities.
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2023 Priority Based Grant Funding: \$108,526