

The Anchorage Schools Foundation Fall 2009 Grant Awards

Airport Heights Elementary School: Garden Project **\$500**

Support to build 5-8 raised garden beds and materials to grow carrots and potatoes. Members of the Airport Heights Inc. a service learning club will learn and apply building skills and learn about garden ecology for this project.

Stellar Secondary School: College Night **\$325**

Purchase of resource books and other materials to hold information sessions for students and parents about choosing a college, writing admissions essays and finding and applying for financial aid.

Ocean View Elementary School: Comfort Quilts Project **\$299**

Purchase of a sewing machine for 4th grade class community service project to make comfort quilts for children who have family members currently serving in Iraq & Afghanistan.

Rogers Park Elementary School: Playaway Units **\$250**

Add several new Playaway units to library for use by English Language Learners (ELL) and below-proficient readers. Playaways are digital books that students listen to while following along in an accompanying text, increasing word recognition, fluency and pronunciation.

Turnagain Elementary School: Kelso's Choice **\$500**

To develop social and emotional learning programs, including purchasing and implementing the Kelso's Choice material for use in the K-3 language arts programs, to teach skills in respect, responsibility, caring and conflict resolution.

Benny Benson SEARCH: Native Culture Exploration **\$357**

A four day exploration of native culture through three projects: a visiting Inupiaq speaker, creation of a native based craft (beadwork, Eskimo yoyo, soapstone carving), and a visit to the Native Heritage Center.

Kincaid Elementary School: Broomball Equipment **\$200**

Matching funds for purchase of broomball equipment including brooms, balls and a goal for healthy game play on the ice rink during recesses.

Kasuun Elementary School: LED Garden Project **\$500**

Indoor gardening project using modern LED grow lights. Students will track plant growth data and also learn about LED technology.

Taku Elementary School: Multilingual Library **\$200**

Purchase of up to 10 Yupik language books for the school's multilingual library. The library encourages family literacy and native language retention/learning.

William Tyson Elementary School: STARBASE Field Trip **\$2160**

Bus rental costs for three fifth grade classes to attend the STARBASE program over four separate days for hands on and highly interactive science, math, technology and problem solving programs. These field trips were generously funded through partnerships with Wells Fargo, The Anchorage Community Land Trust and Credit Union 1.