



***Marana Foundation for Educational Excellence
Mini-grants Spring 2010***

Total amount awarded: \$15,549.50 + \$1,000.00

Applicant	School/Dept.	Purpose	Amount Awarded
Marjorie Lowrance Carrie Dawson	MVHS MHS	Audio Books Galore Marana High, Mountain View High and MCAT will share legally reproducible audio books in support of the curriculum. Copyright law allows the librarian to rip as many CDs as requested by student patrons, but does not allow audio books to be placed on a server. In this way, resources are doubled.	\$2,000.00
Lynne Prouty	MCAT	Healthy Play at Estes Elementary MCAT students have been trained in the Healthy Play curriculum. They will spend 90 minutes each day at Estes implementing Healthy Play with students during recess and lunch. Purchase of the book, <i>Learning to Play, Playing to Learn</i> will allow more in-depth training.	\$250.00
Tawnya Caldwell	DW	Desert Winds' Outdoor Classroom Desert Winds will convert a natural habitat area behind a classroom pod into an "outdoor classroom" for use by all classes. Community manpower will assist in the project.	\$2,000.00
Sarah Paluszcyk	RE	RTI-Yr. 1: Target Students Who Fall Below Reading Benchmarks As the Response to Intervention program is implemented, a phonics and phonological awareness screening instrument is needed to supplement the resources already available, allowing teachers to pinpoint deficits early so that they may intervene and remediate the problem.	\$1,798.45

Keli Dungan	RE	Mastering Math Facts and Word Problems... Roadrunner will train teachers and implement the programs, <i>Mastering Math Facts</i> and <i>Word Problems Made Easy</i> in grades 1-6 to supplement the Everyday Math curriculum.	\$1,606.70
Sharon Henderson Sharon Craft Sarah Thomas	TE	Daily 5 Literacy Block To address the need for meaningful literacy practice while providing differentiated guided instruction to small groups, the Daily 5 is a literacy block structure that fosters literacy motivation with authentic reading and writing practice, collaborative learning, student choice, and independence.	\$934.00
Margie Zearley	TMS	Keep Things Ringing The anticipated growth in the bells class at TMS will surpass the current equipment needed for safe handling and musical presentation. Additional tables and pads will be purchased to facilitate this course.	\$1,000.00
Debra Peterson	IW	Choirchimes for Ironwood Students The purchase of an additional set of choirchimes to use in the music classroom (K-6) and after school will assist students to learn notes and rhythms, as well as facilitate performance situations in the classroom, school and community.	\$961.35
Monica Baden	TWP	Student Resource Lending Library TWP is creating a lending library for teachers to access intervention materials and resources to benefit at-risk students needing differentiated materials in order to be successful in the classroom.	\$1,400.00

Patty Abbuhl	BE	Partners in Education-Make It, Take It Event This project will assist first grade parents to become involved as a partner in their child's education. It will teach parents how to help make their child's education successful. At the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year, first grade teachers and specialists will teach mini-lessons to parents at an evening event, to show parents how to use the Fry's word and phrase list, to use a math help card to do homework, to practice math facts, to incorporate math games, to use a home literacy program, and to make a homework box and home expectations chart for their child.	\$500.00 funded by Marana Chamber of Commerce
Tammy Foster Adrienne Del Rio Mary Romero Carrie Dawson	MHS	Listening in the Library Listening in the Library is a semester-long event where students will interview people from our community. We want to strengthen the spirit of our community and allow students to find interest in the history of our community. We want to build connections, and also create a desire for those connections in the future by students who are	\$500.00 funded by Marana Chamber of Commerce

		involved in the experience of listening to our storytellers, the interviewees who share their personal stories. We will provide each storyteller with a CD of his/her interview. We will create multiple bound books of all the interviews as well as a combined CD or CDs of all the interviews. These will be shared with libraries throughout the school district and any community organization that would like a copy.	
Principals		SUMMER'S LAST SPASH GRANTS These grants were awarded to the principals for use at their sites for participation in ticket sales for Summer's Last Splash	\$3,600.00