

Fall at ZEF - Grants & Fun

Last Thursday, ZEF announced **\$26,526 in Fall Grants** to twenty ZCS educators! These grants funded teachers' immediate needs and creative ideas during these unprecedented times.

ZEF is also working hard to ensure we are ready to support the next round of big ideas and creative solutions at ZCS by hosting our annual fall fundraiser. **ZEF Bash - A Virtual Trivia Night** will raise funds for future ZEF Grants enabling us to answer the call for new innovative ideas and unique experiences for teachers and students.

Read on to learn more about these exciting grants and how you can help support ZCS educators by forming a team and joining the ZEF Bash friendly trivia competition. Will the ZEF Bash trophy be yours to keep?



ZEF Bash is Almost Here!

ZEF will celebrate our 25th anniversary by hosting ZEF Bash – A Virtual Trivia Night on Saturday, November 14, 2020 from 7:00-8:30pm. This fun, interactive event will raise funds in support of teachers, students, and schools.

It's Not too Late to Register

Registration is easy! Click [here](#) or the button below. There are two easy registration options:

1. Sign up as a Team Captain and recruit your team of up to 8 people. Team registration is \$160.
2. Play as a Couple/Family team with 2 adults or 2 adults +kids. Couple/Family registration is \$50.

ZEF BASH REGISTRATION

Where to Play

In short, anywhere! Our Virtual Trivia Night meets people where they are right now and provides flexibility to join the fun from your choice of location. You just need the ability to view YouTube and another device (such as a phone or iPad) on which to submit your answers.

Teams can play from a favorite spot at **home** and connect **via Zoom**, host a small **socially distanced gathering**, or reserve a table at one of our **partner restaurants** - Amore Pizzeria, Rush on Main, Cobblestone, or LA Cafe! Click [here](#) or the Learn More button below!

Event Extras Add to the Fun

No event is complete without some extra fun! You'll want to start by registering for **Qtego** (link goes live on social media and our website on November 9th) for access to our Silent Auction, Gift Card Pull, AmFund trips of a lifetime, and Cap off the Night where we will unveil our annual ZEF hat!

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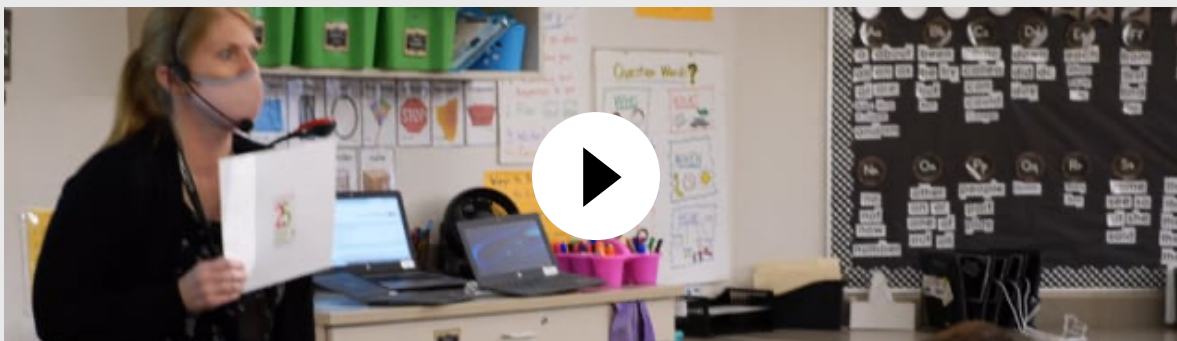
ZEF Grants Make an Impact

We asked teachers what they needed in these unprecedented times to creatively meet student needs and ensure continued educational excellence. Their answers led to last week's Fall Grant awards to twenty ZCS teachers, administrators, and staff.

From an iPad cart to increase teacher mobility and classroom visibility for virtual learners to 3D printers enabling middle school students to print their design prototypes; from start-up books for a Cultural Understandings book club to Pickleball sets that provide a socially distanced indoor option for wellness students, each grant provides teachers with the flexibility they need to continue important initiatives and critical curriculum pieces.

We are grateful to the Alderson Family Foundation for their generosity making ZEF's continued investment in video production equipment possible. This equipment is integral to the district's ability to livestream and record events and introduce students at all levels to video production.

Click [here](#) or the image below to come along with us as we award grants Prize Patrol-style. Feel the excitement and hear from our grant recipients. Thank you to the talented Janet Mann!



Click [here](#) or the button below for a brief description of each grant awarded.

Young Entrepreneurs Help ZEF!

We are truly grateful for every donation we receive; whether big or small, each one helps build a foundation of support for our schools.

However, we confess that this donation has a special place in our hearts. During time at home this past summer, these kids from the Austin Oaks neighborhood made Rainbow Loom lanyards designed to hold a mask and help keep it from getting lost. They then set up shop and sold the lanyards to neighbors, family, and friends. Their business earned enough to make a \$500 donation to ZEF! We appreciate their creativity and generosity!

Thank you to Colton Laue, Brady Laue, Reese Walters, Grant Walters, Luke Glier, Jack Glier, and Will McGinnis and their families for this thoughtful donation.



Colton Laue models the group's lanyard design with Reese Walters and Jack Glier.

The kids present a check to ZEF Board Member Kim Lewis and ZEF Development and Events Manager Julie Bradley.

Thank you, ZEF Bash Sponsors!

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