

# Zionsville Education Foundation 2024 Spring Classroom Grants

Special thanks to the Barth Family Fund, Lilly Lebanon Manufacturing, and Lilly Lebanon Project, comprising Eli Lilly and Company and Fluor, for their support of this grant cycle.

#### Foundational "Fit"nastics (\$10,178.48)

## Alyssa Jackson, Laurie Wanser, Deb Torrance, Angie Fritz, Garrett Stephens, Fred Powell, Jarrod Gatlin, Christine Squier – All ZCS Elementary Schools

Provides equipment for safe and effective gymnastics instruction in all six ZCS elementary schools to help students learn to manage their bodies in space and meet the state standards for balance, flexibility, and strength.

### Investing in Students: Creating a Classroom Economy for Math and Life Skills (\$1,638.64) Bailee Newton - Zionsville Middle School

This grant will create a classroom economy that teaches real world math and budgeting skills, engages students, and hones their executive functioning skills. Students will learn financial responsibility through fun, experiential learning.

### Author Visit-Harvesting Stories from Experiences (\$850.00)

#### Randi Schreiner - Zionsville West Middle School

This project will bring in a local Indiana author, Laura Martin, to share with the students her stories behind creating her popular literary adventures.

## The Courtyard: From Blank Canvas to Outdoor Learning Oasis (\$3,000.00) Jessie Showalter, Bronson Lickliter - Zionsville Community High School

Improves a Zionsville Community High School Courtyard for outdoor learning in the adjacent science classrooms and to provide a student outdoor workspace.

#### **Building Blocks of Learning (\$9,051.00)**

#### Joey Hewett, Callie Surface, Jennifer Sautbine, Joy Morris - Eagle Elementary

Provides the Eagle Elementary Kindergarten team with tools to enhance STEM learning with blocks and light tables for play with magnetic tiles and other translucent building materials and organizational tools to give students a place for their work to live. The new tools will help promote multi-dimensional learning where students and teachers work together to hypothesize, research, share, and continually assess student growth.

#### Flipping into Fitness (\$855.92)

Trisha Smart, Steve Simmons, Kristina Comer, Gabe Diederich - Zionsville West Middle School

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The Zionsville West Middle School Physical Education department will utilize panel mats purchased by this grant to teach new fitness and motor skill development activities to 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The mats will enhance safety, help make students comfortable trying new things, and enable new activities.

#### School Ukulele Experience (\$3,057.39)

#### Andrea Wentz - Eagle Elementary

Through this grant's purchase of ukulele instruments for Eagle Elementary, students in kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade will learn to play a string instrument and develop fundamental musical skills such as rhythm, melody, harmony, and ear training.

#### **ZWEST Robotics Training Club (\$2,780.96)**

#### Michael Murphy and Michael Deland - Zionsville West Middle School

Provides ZWMS with Robotics materials to launch a "Junior" VEX IQ educational training club and to teach design and modeling in the  $6^{th}$  grade PLTW classes.

**Total Awarded: \$31,412.39**