



Foundation Grants Awarded in the Spring of 2025

With community support, the Forest Hills Public Schools Foundation helps fund excellence in education by supporting identified needs of the school district. The FHPS Foundation helps support key educational initiatives that are vital in equipping students with the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to build meaningful and productive lives. Together with our community, we are cultivating possibility, enriching our educational system, and building a strong future. The Foundation's board of trustees provides governance and oversight to grant proposals, Foundation initiatives, and much more. It is a 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofit organization registered in the State of Michigan. The Foundation awards individual staff grants two times each year, once during the fall and another during the spring. Listed below are the 30 Spring 2025 awarded grants, totaling over \$93,000. For more information about the Foundation, visit www.fhpsf.org.

Grant Recipient	School or Building	Project Name/Description	Approved Amount
Ken Skinner	Ada Elementary	<u>Literature In Math</u> - Purchase of books for the Kindergarten class that have a direct content correlation to both our district math curriculum and the common core state standards.	\$ 650.00
Arlene McAndrew	Ada Vista Elementary	<u>Graphic Novels and Their Superpowers</u> - Purchase of a collection of Spanish-language graphic novels for the media center.	\$ 1,217.00
Abby Brooks	Ada Vista Elementary	<u>Ukulele Classroom Set</u> - Purchase of ukuleles and a storage unit for them.	\$ 2,170.00
Patti Richardson	Central High School	<u>Cardiovascular Monitoring in the Lab</u> - Purchase of 40 blood pressure monitors/cuffs with stethoscopes and disinfecting wipes to clean stethoscopes after use.	\$ 1,778.00

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Jacob Strotheide	Central High School	<u>HS Popcorn Machine to Support our PBIS Rewards Program</u> - Purchase of a popcorn machine for PBIS rewards.	\$ 1,057.00
Rob Miedema	Central High School	<u>FHC Quality Finishing Project</u> - Purchase of 4 new student use sanders and 1, 10 drawer rolling storage cabinet for the Industrial Technology students.	\$ 1,885.00
Kristy Butler	Central High School/Eastern High School and Northern High School	<u>Embryological Relationships Card Sort</u> - Purchase of an inquiry set of embryo cards for students to manipulate and make their thinking visible.	\$ 1,594.00
Natalie Bice	Central Middle School	<u>Active Minds, Stronger Bonds: Boosting Middle School Connections Through Recreation</u> - Purchase of basketballs, spike ball, 4-square balls, volleyballs, pickle ball set, soccer balls, footballs, corn hole, giant jenga and a ball cart.	\$ 2,697.00
Joslyn Burnaby	Central Middle School	<u>Weather Stations for 7th Grade Science</u> - Purchase of 7 portable weather stations.	\$ 3,800.00
Jaime Shockley	Central Middle School	<u>Grant for Testing Coordinator Classroom</u> - Purchase of items such as sensory tools, test dividers, and noise blocking headphones to be used in a dedicated classroom space for students with 504 plans and IEPs.	\$ 535.00
Jillian Berger, Anne Stevenson	Central Middle School	<u>Book Order for Central Middle School Media Center</u> - Purchase of titles from the nonfiction book collection "Who HQ" published by Penguin Random House to be housed in the media center.	\$ 250.00
Avery Barry	Central Middle School	<u>Indoor Air Quality</u> - Purchase of Air Quality Monitors to be used in lab activities in the second unit of Green Architecture.	\$ 1,732.00
Jonathan Henderson	Central Woodlands	<u>Floor Hockey Unit Equipment</u> - Purchase of indoor floor hockey equipment.	\$ 530.00
Jonathan Henderson	Central Woodlands/Orchard View	<u>Basketball Unit Enhancement</u> - Purchase of 12 quality basketballs to replace outdated poor quality equipment.	\$ 780.00

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Brittany Brink	Collins Elementary	<u>Dial into the Xylophone</u> - Purchase of a set of 7 xylophones, 12 mallet set and xylophone covers.	\$ 7,192.00
Stephanie Thornton	Eastern High School	<u>Sensory Room at EHS #2</u> - Purchase of additional sensory room equipment for the ASD students at EHS such as, a sensory swing, LED color column, rope lights and fiber optic corner shower.	\$ 6,200.00
Amy Pallo	Eastern High School	<u>EHS Marching Band Uniforms</u> - Purchase of Marching Band Uniforms. 50 - 70 members, total cost is 70K, band boosters pay 23K, district pays 23K. Amy is asking for 10K to help with the schools portion of the cost.	\$ 10,000.00
Mikayla Weston	Eastern Middle School	<u>Supporting the Busy Brain</u> - Purchase of items such as fidget tools, puzzles, and sensory seating to create a more calming and supportive environment.	\$ 1,066.00
Beth Dondit	Goodwillie Environmental School	<u>Get Packing</u> - Purchase of 32 backpacks and 60 backpack rain covers to have a whole class set of backpacks to have liberty as to when, where and how long the trips will be.	\$ 4,000.00
Gabbi Kokenakes	Instruction Office	<u>Mind Masters: Enriching Gifted Learners Through Puzzles & Games</u> - Purchase of various puzzles and games, including logic puzzles, strategy games, coding kits and STEM-based activities.	\$ 12,968.00
Joseph Payne	Meadow Brook / Orchard View	<u>Building Blocks Special Education</u> - Purchase of building block mats for MB and OV for students with cognitive impairments and autism spectrum disorder	\$ 3,600.00
Meghan Davis	Meadow Brook Elementary	<u>Inclusive Bocce Ball and Young Athletes Program</u> - Purchase of bocce ball equipment to support the LINKS program.	\$ 3,200.00
Sam Billings, Molly Rundquist, Mitch Mox	Meadow Brook Elementary	<u>Reading Fluency Through Play</u> - Purchase of collaborative SEL-minded games where students can engage with peers in low-stake ways to build their reading fluency.	\$ 870.00
Nicole Damuth	Northern High School	<u>FHNTV Broadcasting</u> - Purchase of 3 cameras, 3 Tamron lenses, 3 Rode wireless pro microphones, 3 Rode handheld mic adapters, 1 Tamron telephoto lens, and one lens filter for lighting.	\$ 8,993.00

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Nick Biondo	Northern Middle School	<u>Outdated Sticks, Paddle and Racquets</u> - Purchase of new hockey, pickle ball and tennis equipment to update the current outdated and broken items that they have.	\$ 5,500.00
Lydia Kuyvenhoven	Northern Trails 5/6	<u>Northern Trails Makerspace</u> - Purchase of STEM activities such as Legos, building blocks, robotics kits, magnets, puzzles and coloring activities.	\$ 1,250.00
Katie Vicente	Northern Trails 5/6	<u>Tools for Successful Independent Reading</u> - Purchase of reading lights and noise reduction cancelling headphones.	\$ 1,070.00
Rebecca Hancart	Orchard View Elementary	<u>Orchard View Hawks Nest</u> - Purchase of manipulatives, storage and movable seating to continue the building out of their unused space in the media center.	\$ 3,200.00
Kim Grabowski	Orchard View Elementary	<u>Listening Centers for Developing Fluency in Young Readers</u> - Purchase of Tonie Boxes and related accessories (headsets, audio figures) for first grade classrooms.	\$ 3,500.00
Keri Vandrunen	Pine Ridge Elementary	<u>Student Services - Purchase of updated social-emotional activities and games.</u>	\$ 344.00
		Total:	\$93,628.00