

The Ed. Foundation

2018 – 2019 Grants

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE ASSEMBLY

Schreiber

Stephanie Greenberg, Ilissa Sternlicht

Students gain a better understanding about communicating with the deaf-blind community through a presentation by a deaf-blind speaker, increasing their sensitivity to people with disabilities.

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AROUND THE TABLE: AN INTERGENERATIONAL EXPLORATION OF FAMILY HISTORY AND TRADITIONS

Schreiber

Terri Hall, Miranda Best

Drawing and painting students explore their family history using a particular event as inspiration for the creation of a narrative painting on pre-fired dinnerware.

CABINET OF CURIOSITIES

Schreiber

Nicole Thomas, Miranda Best

Art students observe and examine museum-quality odd and unique objects to satisfy their developmental need for realism in the art classroom.

FACS SEWING MACHINE UPDATE AND EMBROIDERY EXPANSION

Schreiber

Robyn Block, Margaret Rizzo

An embroidery machine and modern sewing machines provide students with enhanced opportunities for artistic expression and transferable sewing skills.

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LANDMARK'S IN-SCHOOL ARTIST IN RESIDENCE PROGRAM

Schreiber

Landmark on Main Street Inc., Kevin Scully

Continuing a successful partnership, band students participate in workshops lead by an artist or band from Landmark's 2018/19 roster in collaboration with the school district.

VIRTUAL BUSINESS: SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT MARKETING

Schreiber

Kaylan Erikson

Simulation software provides students with the opportunity to "work" in the sports & entertainment industry planning stadium events.

IMMERSIVE PROBLEM SOLVING

Schreiber

Bryan Beach, Adam Wolfert

Students participate in "Escape the Room" style games and work collaboratively to solve math problems, answer history questions, decipher a code, and analyze a passage to unlock the box and win the game, through the Breakout EDU platform.

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EXPLORATIONS WITH THE TI-84 CE GRAPHING CALCULATOR

Schreiber

Bryan Gorman, Adam Wolfert, Tina Gallagher, Ray DiVenuto

Students will be introduced to coding and programming through project-based learning using specialized graphing calculators.

INDOOR STATIONARY CYCLING TRAINERS

Schreiber

James Fallon, Joe DeGais, Stephanie Joannon

Stationary trainers allow for the addition of a spinning unit in physical education classes.

MOBILE PC CART FOR SCHREIBER PHYSICS

Schreiber

Don Fish

The mobile cart of laptops provides physics students with a learning environment that enhances the experience with technology.

IMMIGRATION AND THE GATSBY AGE AT THE SANDS POINT PRESERVE

Schreiber

Tracy Strianese, Eileen Mills, Lawrence Schultz

For a second year, 11th-grade Social Studies and ELA students visit the Guggenheim Estate and engage in dynamic hands-on activities based on immigration and class conflict in the late 19th and early 20th Centuries and F. Scott Fitzgerald's classic "The Great Gatsby."

TECHNOVATION

Weber

Michael Czachor, Danielle Tane

Weber students work collaboratively and creatively in an inclusive environment in this before-school technology program.

WEBER TENOR CHOIR

Weber

Matthew Gawronski

Aspiring tenor vocalists have the opportunity to sing repertoire specifically tailored to their vocal range.

COURAGE IN ACTIVISM: EXPLORING PROTEST THROUGH WORDS AND MUSIC

Weber

Holly Gober, Jeff Moss

Yellow and Blue House 8th-grade students have the opportunity to hear from Yolanda Beckett, a Freedom Rider and Bernice Sims, a Freedom Summer voter registration volunteer, to enhance their understanding of the power of protest and activism. Co-funded with HEARTS

SPONSOR: RONNI & MIKE ARONOW

DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES

Weber

Holly Gober, Jeff Moss

Blue House 8th-grade students study the differences between pre-WWI society and the 1920s through dance by learning the Waltz and Charleston in a historical context.

A CLOSER LOOK: STEREO MICROSCOPE SCIENCE

Weber

CarrieAnn Lindstadt-Iurka

A set of portable stereomicroscopes enhances students' experience inside the science lab and out.

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ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY AT THE SANDS POINT PRESERVE

Weber

Tracy Strianese, CarrieAnn Lindstadt-Iurka

Middle school students engage in a dynamic hands-on environmental study of various ecosystems at the Sands Point Preserve.

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NEWS WRITING AND EDITING IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Weber

Sonia Arora, Debbie Radinsky, Gardner Smith

6th-grade students learn about digital news production, including story composition, writing, and video editing with the help of two teaching artists. Co-funded with HEARTS.



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ROBOTICS CLUB

Weber and All Elementary

Jeanne Zeh

Continuation of a Robotics Club for students in grades 4-8. Students learn about robotics, computer science, and coding and participate in various competitions.

DISTRICT BAND SPECTACULAR

All District

Kevin Scully

Band students from all seven schools will perform at the Tilles Center for the Performing Arts under the guidance of a renowned guest conductor.

Co-funded with HEARTS

EXPRESSIVE ELOCUTION

All Elementary

Elise May

A standards-based program to help vocally empower and prepare students to present speeches, reports, dramatic enactments, debates, and themselves in interviews and performances.

SPONSOR: BRIDGETTE HIRSCH

DANCING WITH OUR FIFTH-GRADE STARS

All Elementary

David Meoli, Sheri Suzzan, Pia Ferrante, Barbara Giebel, Bonni Cohen

All 5th-grade students will participate in a ten-week residency with Dancing Classrooms to cultivate essential life skills through the practice of social dance. Co-funded with HEARTS and the HSAs.

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HOMEWORK CLUBS

All Elementary

David Meoli, Bonni Cohen, Sheri Suzzan, Pia Ferrante, Barbara Giebel

For the third year in a row, The Ed. Foundation is partnering with the school district to fund homework clubs in all five elementary schools for the most academically challenged students in grades 3-5 two days a week.

SPONSOR: ELLEN AND RICHARD FOX

DRUM FIT! GET ON YOUR FEET AND MOVE TO THE BEAT

Daly

Michael Killoran, Stephanie Joannon

Stability balls, drum sticks, and music are incorporated into a morning intramural program for grades 3-5 and will be used in physical education classes as well.

THE DALY STEM CLUB

Daly

Kimberly Pinto

Students in grades 3-5 have the opportunity to work on inquiry-based science, technology, engineering, and math-related activities in the before-school program.

THE DALY NEWS

Daly

Sheri Suzzan, Kimberly Pinto

In its second year, the Daly News allows students in grades 4 and 5 to create an online publication in this after-school newspaper club.

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TAEKWONDO FOR FOURTH GRADERS

Daly

Sheri Suzzan, Alex Eisen, Melissa Voyer, Amy Singer, Jillian Manoff

The World Taekwondo's "Super Six" Program reinforces students' participation in "STARR" (Safe, Truthful, Accepting, Respectful, And Responsible), a Daly schoolwide initiative.

LITERACY THROUGH THE ARTS

Daly Pre-K

Victoria Borsella, Joni Sturge, Giovanna Fitzpatrick, Claudia Ciotti, Marie Slavens

Pre-K students improve their literacy skills and enhance oral language skills through dramatic play with the use of props.

DRUM FIT! GET ON YOUR FEET AND MOVE TO THE BEAT

Guggenheim

Michael Killoran, Christine Piserchia, Brandy Miller, Stephanie Joannon

Stability balls, drum sticks, and music are incorporated into a morning intramural program for grades 3-5 and used in physical education classes as well.

GUGGENHEIM STEM CLUB

Guggenheim

Suzanne Mody, Maribeth Betsch, Teresa Tiberia

Students in grades 3-5 engage in hands-on, STEM-based activities including computer programming, software design and electrical engineering designed to ignite scientific discovery in this before-school program.

TALK ABOUT AN ADVENTURE!

Guggenheim

Erica Albin, Nicole Friedlander, Cassidy Wolfert, Christine Piserchia, Sara Chin, Jen Norton, Nick Stavrinis

4th and 5th-grade ENL and Resource Room students develop communication and leadership skills through teamwork at the Nassau BOCES Outdoor Adventure Education Program.

DISCOVERING NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE

Guggenheim

Colleen Deriu, Teresa Marussich, Annie Thornton, Rebecca Filner, Shannon Goldstein, Loren Maroof, Brooke Roberts

2nd-grade students participate in an immersive adventure with Teepee Ted and the Traveling Wilderness Museum designed to build awareness, understanding, and appreciation of Native American culture.

MANORHAVEN EARLY BIRDS

Manorhaven

Megaera Regan, Jacqueline Silverman, Patricia Charles, Jessica Guarino, Lucy Gable

A before-school physical activity program for select students in grades 3-5 which has been proven to significantly improve academic performance.

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MANORHAVEN EARLY MORNING STEM CLUB

Manorhaven

Lourdes Perez, Jeanine Oleksiw

Before-school club for grades 3-5 that introduces and develops technology skills in computer programming, robotics, and 3-D printing.

CHESS CLUB

Manorhaven

Diane Haut, Kimberley Singh, Reneé Schettino

Students in grades 3-5 learn the intellectually challenging game of chess during this after-school program.

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MANORHAVEN MENTORS

Manorhaven

Barbara O'Donnell, Bonni Cohen, Pat Wolfert Charles, Kimberly Singh, Diane Haut

This thriving program matches adult volunteers with select 4th and 5th-grade students to form relationships in a school-based mentoring program.

MANORHAVEN EDIBLE SCHOOLYARD GARDEN

Manorhaven

Elizabeth Milbank Sobel, Ilyssa Goldsmith, Lisa Hershman, Bonni Cohen, Jennifer Kim, Lisa Idol, Alissa Zendzian, Diane Haut, Kimberley Singh, René Schettino

Continuation of the work needed to create a sustainable schoolyard garden with a range of fruits, vegetables, and herbs promotes proper nutrition and physical activity for all students.

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LET'S GET MOVING: STEM IN THE AM

Salem

Joanne Koukoulas, Pia Ferrante

Students in grades 3-5 expand their scientific discovery skills through computer coding and active learning processes in this before-school program.

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TAEKWONDO AT SALEM

Salem

Pia Ferrante, Elyssa Kanterman, Julie Katz, Andrea Schieck, Abby Duffy

All 3rd-grade students learn about South Korean culture and the "Super Six" character traits: focus, cooperation, self-control, respect, responsibility, and perseverance through Taekwondo.

SPONSOR: THE MALLAH FAMILY

AILEY DANCE KIDS

Salem

Pia Ferrante, Erin Leitman Scott, Julie Coren, Julie Epstein, Ralia Polechronis, Allison Pritti, Bonnie Tanguay, Cara Hristoforatos, Linda Jennings, Kristina MacHarg, Mandy Klarman, Michelle Gomberg

This 8-week workshop from the Alvin Ailey Dance Theater Group introduces 1st-grade students to West African music, dance and oral traditions culminating in a schoolwide performance.

Co-funded with HEARTS.

LANGUAGE THROUGH ART: AN ENL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Salem

Jennifer Anicito, Pia Ferrante, Kristen Cagnard, Jessica Guarino, Marilyn Turtz

ENL students benefit from the use of visual art curriculum developed by the J. Paul Getty Museum to bridge language barriers. Co-funded with HEARTS.

SUBMERGE STORYTELLING

Salem and Sousa

Rebecca Schwartz, Erin Leitman-Scott, David Meoli, Colleen Lucie, Dina Maiella-Marro, Cory Drewes, Pia Ferrante

4th graders at Salem and Sousa have an interactive, hands-on experience that immerses them into a story as they transform their classroom to become the setting.

CYBERSTARS: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE

Sousa

Marisa Johnson, Stephanie Yardeni, David Meoli, Lisa Cangialosi

An after-school workshop for select 1st-3rd graders introduces the fundamentals of computer science programming through the drop-and-drag method of coding.

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MINDFUL KIDS

Sousa

Julie Anzalone, Marisa Johnson, Maria Buffolino, Jamie Greenberg

1st and 2nd-graders learn and practice mindfulness during this ten-week workshop aligned with the schoolwide RULER program.

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TAEKWONDO AT SOUSA

Sousa

Jen Biblowitz, Emily Baxter, Diana Conway, Marisa Johnson, Justin Ryan, Karen Silver

All 3rd grade-students learn about South Korean culture and the "Super Six" character traits: focus, cooperation, self-control, respect, responsibility, and perseverance through Taekwondo in connection with the schoolwide RULER program.

FAMILY LITERACY FOR ELLS (ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS)

Sousa

Jo Ann Miles, Debra Calluzzo

Parents of ELLs in grades K-1 are coached in literacy skills and reading concepts during 3 evening workshops. Literacy kits are provided for home use.

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STEPPING STONES CLASS

Parent Resource Center

Leila Noor, Patricia Class, Diana Piza, Hope Pecullan, Nicole Asselta, Jennifer Schiffer, Gail Thrope

This program prepares at-risk preschool students with limited English proficiency for the district's Pre-K program.



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Targeted Donations

Targeted Donations to The Ed. Foundation (from \$5,000 and up) fund a range of long-term programs throughout the school district. By directing funds for major projects, donors have made a lasting impact on countless students through larger-scale educational initiatives.

WDOT RADIO

Schreiber

This began as a donation to establish a high school radio station and has quickly become a part of the fabric and culture of Schreiber High School. The radio station is a vibrant club where students learn programming and development. There are currently two broadcasting classes that utilize the facility. Students can often be found at the sound board recording and creating shows for entertainment and promoting events. Tune in to www.portradio.org to hear some of the latest programming.

FUNDED BY DOT & ED SLADE

DOTv

Schreiber

The Schreiber TV studio began as a club and has now been incorporated into the high school curriculum. Students can enroll in classes like Sound Production, Film and Television Production and Digital Video Production. This state-of-the-art facility has the technology which allows students to benefit from learning all aspects of writing, recording and reporting, in front of and behind the camera. DOTv has become an integral part of the Port Washington community as many organizations count on these talented students to create video and report on local events.

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THE DIGITAL LEARNING CENTER

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The Digital Learning Center is a dynamic workspace and resource for students and faculty to use the most current equipment and technology including various laptops, desktops, interactive whiteboards and new modular furniture that creates collaborative and moveable work spaces. The DLC is home to the Writing Center and the Girls Who Code club. Students, classes, and staff utilize the room for online learning, virtual field trips, telecommunication, collaborative projects, and a host of other educational experiences.

FUNDED BY JAIMEE & DAN LOEWY

ROBOTICS AT WEBER

Weber

All middle school students are exposed to the growing field of robotics in a deep and meaningful way. This program integrates two robots, software for 20 user stations, and curriculum, along with staff development, into the technology classes for grades 6 through 8. The robots enable teachers to increase their ability to expose students to a variety of problem-solving skills, along with basic programming, making them better prepared to continue their studies through high school to college and beyond.

FUNDED BY THE MILDRED AND SIDNEY EDELSTEIN FOUNDATION

A CAPPELLA

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This exciting program gives students at Schreiber High School the opportunity to explore the vocal aspects of a cappella music and the process of arranging and composing in this style. Students learn vocal fundamentals that are helpful to the choir and musical theater programs, and the a cappella group will be featured at school and community performances.

FUNDED BY ROBIN & VERNON McDERMOTT

COLLEGE PIONEERS

Weber, Schreiber

This program increases awareness of post-secondary educational opportunities and provides college readiness skills in the first-generation and disadvantaged populations in the Port Washington school district, beginning in 7th grade and continuing through senior year. The program includes college visits, guest speakers, parent workshops, test prep and college application support.

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THE LAPTOP INITIATIVE

Schreiber

Identified students receive a chromebook or laptop to support their studies, increase chances of success, and help eliminate the digital divide.

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THE BLUES: AN 8TH GRADE EXPERIENCE

Weber

All 8th-grade students experience the American folk art known as The Blues. Students read, listen to, discuss, and compose poetry and music. The program culminates with an extended workshop and performance with blues Hall-of-Fame artist Toby Walker.

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NEXTGEN MANUFACTURING AND DESIGN

Weber

Ryan Meloni, Chris Shields

The "NextGen Manufacturing and Design" equipment will be used in a variety of Technology Education units, where students will be introduced to three state-of-the-art machines.

New units will have students engaged in automated cloud based mass production, laser cutting, and vinyl cutting while learning about the modern economy. Students will develop confidence and familiarity with high-tech machines and engineering principles with real-world applications for careers in tech industries, manufacturing, design, and more.

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THE ED. FOUNDATION SUPPORT CENTER

The Support Center focuses on improving literacy and math skills for third-graders in need of academic support through individualized attention, homework help, and writing exercises. The Center is led by a Director, along with an intergenerational volunteer staff, and features distinguished guests who provide a variety of creative programming including music, art, yoga, dance and other enrichment experiences.

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