

The Ed. Foundation

2022 – 2023 Grants

VOICES OF FREEDOM

Schreiber

Kevin Scully, Nicholas Schratweiser, Eileen Fitzsimmons-Mills, Kaitlin Szczesny, Mark Viavattine, Joy Jaworski

In collaboration with the Louis Armstrong Museum, students will interact with world-renowned guest artists in five disciplines: music, dance, writing, jazz, and visual arts. They will create artistic works that reflect historical fights for freedom in the U.S.

SPONSOR: STEPHEN & SARA EDELSON

ASL FIELD TRIP AND TEACHER IN RESIDENCE

Schreiber

Stephanie Greenberg, Ilissa Sternlicht

This program will promote awareness of the Helen Keller National Center (HKNC) and American Sign Language through an ASL teacher-in-residence for a week at Schreiber and a field trip to the HKNC.

SPONSOR: THE SHANAHAN FAMILY

AUTOBIOGRAPHY IN THE AGE OF THE SELFIE

Schreiber

Sonia Arora, Elise May

Sonia Arora and Elise May will work with four classes of Schreiber ELs to dig deep into their lives developing rich imagistic narratives, bringing their voices alive through theatrical techniques.

EMBELLISHED MONOPRINTS FOR AP ART

Schreiber

Miranda Best

AP Art students will embellish and transform monoprints for use in handmade artist books that document the evolution of their sustained investigation.

“SEIZE THE CLAY”—CONTEMPORARY UPGRADES FOR THE CERAMICS CLASSROOM

Schreiber

Nicole Thomas

This grant will provide updated equipment and tools so art students can be introduced to a reinvented and rejuvenated sculpture and ceramics curriculum, experimenting with traditional and contemporary materials to develop enhanced skill sets and modern applications.

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CREATIVE KITCHEN EQUIPMENT

Schreiber

Margaret Rizzo, Robyn Black

New kitchen equipment will allow students to deepen their knowledge of food preparation techniques and introduce them to new cooking trends.

CLASSKICKIN’ IT WITH INSTANT FEEDBACK

Schreiber

Christina Bruno, Lisa Tecusan

This grant will allow math students to digitally interact with class material and to receive immediate feedback from their teacher.

SCHREIBER ROBOTICS: TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Schreiber

Bryan Beach, Thomas Stephanek

Updated tools and machinery will allow the Robotics program to continue to grow and for the students to be more competitive at a higher level.

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LANGUAGE BUDDIES: PEER-TO-PEER ENL CLASSROOM SUPPORT

Schreiber/Manorhaven

John Davis, John Lewis, Juanita Diaz, Nori Cerny, Naoko Nishikiori, Kent Nishikiori, Priscilla Zarate

This program will pair high school bilingual ELL students with elementary ELL students to support effective English language literacy instruction. The high school students will serve as role models to the elementary students while fulfilling the requirements for their Senior Experience.

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CHESS/SCRABBLE/BOGGLE CLUB

Weber

Dena Bocchino

This club will provide the opportunity for sixth through eighth-grade students to learn the art of chess, Scrabble, and/or Boggle.

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WRITING WORKSHOP WITH AUTHOR MADDY LEDERMAN

Weber

Stacy Portmore-Davies

Eighth-grade students will experience a one-day workshop with YA author Maddy Lederman in which they will discuss the novel *Edna in the Desert*.

SPONSOR: JULIE & DANNY GOLDMAN

DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES

Weber

Holly Gober/Thomas Barbara

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

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DANCE PARTY! IMMIGRANT DANCES OF THE LATE 1800S/EARLY 1900S

Weber

Holly Gober/Thomas Barbara

Eighth-grade students in the Blue and Yellow Houses will learn the dances of the various ethnic immigrant groups studied during their Immigration unit.

EXCLUSIVE SPONSOR: MICHELLE & MICHAEL DURAN

ASL PRESENTATION

Weber

Stephanie Greenberg, Ilissa Sternlicht

Students will be introduced to American Sign Language as a language to be learned and spoken through a deaf-blind presenter.

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STEM IN CORE EXTENSION

Weber

Christopher Buchman

During core extension, students will be exposed to STEM by using kits to create things and experiment with different materials and concepts while working in small groups.

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SENSORY SPACE

Weber

Patricia Gonzalez, Jaime Sklar

This grant will create a sensory space for special needs students at the middle school.

LEARNING AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)

Weber

Ilissa Sternlicht, Stephanie Greenberg, Holly Gober

Students will have hands-on exposure to the deaf-blind community through a partnership with the Helen Keller National Center. They will gain a better understanding of how ASL is used as their primary mode of communication while learning the basics of the language.

LANDMARK ON MAIN STREET’S ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE SERIES

Weber/Schreiber

Landmark on Main Street, Kevin Scully

Landmark on Main Street will offer workshops, master classes, and/or multicultural, interactive performances with professional musicians for students at either Weber or Schreiber.

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PLAYING WITH HISTORY

Daly

Jesse Weil

Through an assembly and workshops, professional actor Jesse Weil will bring history to life for fourth and fifth graders, using contemporary music to explore important moments in the lives of historical figures.

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MAKING BOOKS COME TO LIFE

Daly/Salem

Pia Ferrante, Andrea Schieck, Lauren Winters

After reading the memoir *I Will Always Write Back*, students will experience a powerful message and a firsthand account of a memorable moment in an author's life.

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TREASURES OF THE HEART! CELEBRATING MULTICULTURAL STORIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD!

Daly/Sousa

Joy Tamburino, Danielle Silverstein,

Alexandra Cimino, Paula Pourakis

Master storyteller LuAnn Adams will conduct a residency program for reading students in grades K-5, and will perform at an interactive family night for all Daly and Sousa students.

PUPPY READING PALS

Guggenheim

Jen Norton, Pam Tirrito, Michelle Ambrosio,

Alyssa Cianciulli, Shannon Goldstein,

Brooke Roberts, Claire Galanek, Melissa Riordan

Two therapy dogs from The Guide Dog Foundation will visit the third grade classrooms at Guggenheim.

Through guided therapy dog sessions, positive interactions between students will be fostered while also incorporating literacy activities.

**SPONSOR THE REICHENBACH FAMILY
IN MEMORY OF KAREN REICHENBACH**

COSMIC BOWLING

Guggenheim

Stephen Brossard, Brandy Miller

Bowling will be added to the Phys. Ed. curriculum with the addition of glow-in-the-dark bowling equipment.

SPONSOR: ANDREA & MIKE MARINO

MANORHAVEN EARLY BIRDS

Manorhaven

Amanda Gargiulo

This physical activity program for select students in third through fifth grade significantly improves academic performance through exercise before school.

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MANORHAVEN CHESS CLUB

Manorhaven

John Davis, Juanita Diaz, Diane Stillerman,

Lance Yoon, Steve Brody

Third through fifth-grade students will learn the game of chess from a professional chess instructor.

MANORHAVEN STEM CLUB

Manorhaven

Lourdes Perez, Jeanine Oleksiw

This before-school club for third through fifth-grade students will introduce and develop technology skills in computer programming, robotics, and 3D printing.

EXPRESSIVE ELOCUTION— VOCAL EMPOWERMENT THROUGH THEATER ARTS

Manorhaven

Laurey Brevig, Armanda Berkery,

Melanie Guarneri, James O'Brien

This standards-based program helps vocally empower and prepare third-grade students to present speeches, reports, dramatic enactments, debates, and themselves in interviews and performances.

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MANORHAVEN LANES— COSMIC BOWLING

Manorhaven

Lauren Brossard, Amanda Gargiulo, Jake Roessler

Bowling will be added to the Phys. Ed. curriculum with the addition of glow-in-the-dark bowling equipment.

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ACTION BASED LEARNING

Manorhaven

Susan Cominski

This grant will provide action-based seating options to children with special needs.

SENSORY/CALM DOWN CORNER

Manorhaven

Susan Cominski

This grant will provide a safe area in the classroom for children with special needs to receive appropriate sensory input.

LET'S GET MOVING: STEM IN THE AM!

Salem

Joanne Koukoulas, Pia Ferrante

Students in third through fifth grade will expand their scientific discovery skills through computer coding and active learning processes in this before-school program.

SUBMERGE STORYTELLING PROJECT

Salem/Sousa

Sue Graser, Jessica Weaver

Fourth graders at Salem and Sousa will engage in an interactive, hands-on literary experience that immerses them into a story as their classrooms are transformed to become the story's setting.

MULTICULTURAL COOKING PROGRAM

Sousa

Janine Clark, Kathy Wengenosky, Marisa Johnson,

Diana Conway, Justin Ryan

Each third-grade class will be introduced to authentic cuisine from five different countries (USA, Mexico, China, Brazil, Kenya) through cooking classes taught by a chef from The Cooking Lab.

NIGHT OF 1,000 STRINGS

All District

Kevin Scully, Anthony Pinelli, Carol Garofalo,

Carly Clancy, John Akios, Jason Flores

Orchestra students from all seven schools will perform at Tilles Center for the Performing Arts in Spring 2023 with a nationally-known conductor.

MOSAIC PROJECT

All Elementary

Kevin Scully, Pia Ferrante, Juanita Diaz,

Meg Sheehan, Kimberly Licato, Matthew Dicarlo

Third-grade students will learn about the tradition of dance in four distinct cultures, Afro-Cuban, North Indian, Japanese, and West African, during this ten-week multicultural dance residency.

SPONSOR: THE SWEENEY FAMILY

SCRABBLE CLUB

All Elementary

Julie Katz, Lisa Cangialosi, Melissa Koulouris,

Kimberly Singh, Heather Hoffman

Fourth and fifth-grade students will be introduced to Scrabble and the strategies of the game, culminating in a tournament including all five elementary schools.

SPONSOR: JESSICA & ANISH MELWANI

PEP ROBOTICS WHOLE CLASS ENRICHMENT UNIT

All Elementary

Marlene Ruskin, Karen Raichoudhury,

Alyssa Cianciulli, Kimberley Singh, Jeanne Zeh

All fifth graders in the District will experience a PEP Robotics Whole Class Enrichment Unit.

SPONSOR: THE KOZINN FAMILY

STEPPING STONES

Pre-K

PRC, Leila Noor, Nicole Asselta, Javiera Arenas,

Hope Pecullan

This program prepares at-risk pre-schoolers with limited English proficiency for the District's Pre-K program.

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INNOVATIONS IN EQUITY AND SYSTEMIC CHANGE

All-District

Michael Hynes

This program is intended to address the achievement gaps in our District and to design a more culturally-responsive curriculum through a partnership with NYU's Metropolitan Center for Research on Equity and the Transformation of Schools. A research-based, multi-year, strategic plan will be developed to address identified root causes of inequities.

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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 soundboard 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.

FUNDED BY DOT & ED SLADE

THE SCHREIBER HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY AND ART LAB

Schreiber

Ryan Meloni, Ira Pernick, Kevin Sully

The upgrade of technology with state-of-the-art interactivity, new workstations, and updated software will enhance capabilities and foster interactive instruction for Ed. Tech and Art students.

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THE DIGITAL LEARNING CENTER

Schreiber

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

SCHREIBER HIGH SCHOOL RECORDING STUDIO

Schreiber

This state-of-the-art soundproof recording studio integrates with the existing television studio, digital video course, sound engineering course and music ensembles. Students now have a place to create high-quality recordings that can be used for auditions, competitions, or integrated into other school programs.

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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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LEAD 'EM UP—LEADERSHIP COACH

Schreiber

Nicholas Schratweiser, Sean Dooley, Eric Sutz

Port Washington athletes will participate in a program-wide Lead 'Em Up rollout with a dedicated "on-staff" leadership coach, Adam Bradley, who will work with all athletic teams throughout all seasons.

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NAO ROBOTS

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.

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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.

FUNDED BY THE LUCERNE FOUNDATION/ THE RIMSKY FAMILY

THE MUSIC AND STORIES OF THE AMERICAN SHARECROPPER (BLUES IN THE SCHOOLS)

Weber

Thomas Barbara, Holly Gober

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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WEBER TENOR CHOIR AND SCHREIBER A CAPPELLA

Weber/Schreiber

Kevin Scully, Alison Friedman, Matthew Gawronski, Dr. Kathryn Behr, Beth Javeline

Schreiber Students will have the opportunity to explore the vocal aspects of a cappella music, along with the process of arranging and composing in this style. Aspiring tenor vocalists at Weber will have the opportunity to sing repertoire specifically tailored to their vocal range.

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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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