

| 2024/2025 Approved 4a Grants | | | | | | |
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| Primary Applicant: | School: | Grade Level/Content Area | Project Title | In the simplest terms: What is it? | Approved BPSF | Approved Other |
| Jessica Lofrano-Larson | Athletic Team, Club, Group, or Other | Ages 3-18 | Safety Foam Border for Spring Floor | It's a 30 inch wide by 5 inch thick foam border that surrounds our entire spring floor. | \$ 6,000 | |
| Layne Danielson | Athletic Team, Club, Group, or Other | 5-12 grade girls wrestling 5-8 boys wrestling | Equipment for alternative workouts in wrestling | I am looking to purchase equipment that we can use as alternative workouts for our wrestlers at WESB. | \$ 325 | |
| Alexis Weber | Athletic Team, Club, Group, or Other | K-8th, STEAM | Cardboard Construction Kits | STEAM cardboard construction tools | \$ 913 | |
| Shelley Kennedy | Athletic Team, Club, Group, or Other | 9-12 Volleyball | Volleyball Technology | We wish to purchase an iPad Air 11" - M3 and compatible, durable case | \$ 800 | |
| Cindy Clough | Athletic Team, Club, Group, or Other, Brainerd High School | 7-12 | Ballet Barres for the Aux. Gym. | Permanent ballet barres for the gym | \$ 7,000 | |
| Tom Fairbanks | Athletic Team, Club, Group, or Other, Brainerd High School | 9-12 | Brainerd Baseball Equipment Upgrade | We seek to purchase 3 medium size baseball caddy/cart for our baseball program (9th-12th) | \$ 585 | |
| Tim Sarych | Athletic Team, Club, Group, or Other, Forestview Middle School | Community Education/Parks & Rec | Parks & Rec Sports Equipment | Baseball and Softball Gear | \$ 2,000 | |
| Jim Ruttger- Alpine Ski Head Coach | Athletic Team, Club, Group, or Other, Forestview Middle School, Brainerd High School | 7-12 | Alpine Ski- Finish Corral Fencing | Safety Fencing for race finish corral | \$ 2,060 | |
| Tanika Clements | Baxter | STEAM/Technology | Reaching All Students in STEAM | STEAM manipulatives and tools to give students with ASD new opportunities to learn and practice fine motor skills. | | \$ 380 |

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| Alex Hirsch | Baxter | Physical Education/DAPE | "Snow" Excited for Winter! Youth Snowshoes & Storage; Extended sizes | We want to purchase 10 pairs of adult sized snowshoes (30in.) to provide a snowshoe experience for upper elementary students who have adult sized snow boots. We do have snowshoes already, and students have been able to get use with these in our classes. It has been a great experience for them to learn another fun, Minnesota winter activity! | \$ 508 | |
| Tammy Stellmach | Baxter | K-4 | Warrior Woods - It can get muddy and damp out there! | This grant is seeking supplies that can help us still use the school forest if it is misty or sprinkling outside, or muddy from the previous weather | \$ 1,160 | |
| Ann Reed | Baxter | k-4 / speech/language | Nature's Classroom At Its CORE | This project will purchase inclusive core vocabulary boards for outdoor classrooms at Baxter Elementary, ensuring equitable access and participation in outdoor learning for all students. | | \$ 775 |
| Meghyn Parker | Baxter | ASD K-4th | Social Emotional Learning | I wish to purchase social-emotional learning material that helps promote hands-on learning for my students and helps create coping skills for the students. | | \$ 750 |
| Katie Erickson | Baxter | Level 3 ASD | TEACCH Task Boxes | Independent tasks boxes for our students who have unique educational needs | | \$ 900 |
| Melissa Schmeck | Baxter | Kindergarten | Keeping the FINE (motor) in Kindergarten | Fine Motor Boxes-Each box will be filled with an activity that will help in the development of fine motor skills. Each kindergarten class will have a set of 30. | \$ 900 | |
| Erica Bordwell | Baxter | 4th Grade / General Education | Green Thumbs in 4th Grade | Gardening Supplies, Tools, Seeds, Books, Greenhouses | \$ 1,930 | |

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| Patty Wallace | Baxter, Garfield, Harrison, Lowell, Nisswa, Riverside, Lincoln Education Center | K-2 and sped | MMagnetic MathRacks for AVMR trained teachers | We wish to purchase magnetic MathRacks for K-2 AVMR trained classroom and sped teachers | \$ 737 | |
| Jillian Means | BHS | 9-12, Special Education | Cooking up Success; equipping students for Independent Living. | We aim to purchase essential kitchen supplies, including cookware, utensils, and appliances, to enhance hands-on functional skills training for high school students with disabilities. | \$ 2,000 | |
| Jennifer Klecatsky | Brainerd High School | 10-12 | Manikens-Anatomy in Clay | The MANIKEN model is used to study and build all systems of the human body: Skeletal, Musculature, Nervous, Cardiovascular, Digestive, Lymphatic and more. | | \$ 8,046 |
| Lea Anderson | Brainerd High School | Grade 9-12 Visual art | DREAMING BIG... Display Cases to Showcase our BHS Student Art | Our school (students- and all staff) would like to install Built-In Display cases to Showcase students artwork! | | \$ 15,000 |
| Heidi Anderson | Brainerd High School | 9-12 FACS | FACS Department Equipment | Our FACS department is continuing to improve supplies and equipment for our three classrooms to match the beautiful new space. | \$ 2,000 | |
| Andrew Dwyer | Brainerd High School | Grades 9-12 (Video Productions) | Boom Microphone | This is an entire kit consisting of a boom microphone and accessories used to record audio during production. | | \$ 900 |

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| Alex Brodjeski | Brainerd High School | Director of Sports Performance and Physical Education | Dashr University Timer Package | This is a 3 gate timing system that allows our students and student athletes to be able to do a variety of testing from linear speed or running, to agility drills, RAST, and a variety of other things. It also syncs with our TeamBuildr data collection program so athletes are able to track their data and improvements over a long period of time. To be able to purchase it with the heat shields would allow for the timing system to be able to be used both inside and outside within the sun. | \$ 1,860 | |
| Wynter Hopson | Brainerd High School | 9-12 | BHS Little Free Library | A bookshelf | \$ 350 | \$ 315 |
| Misty Jobe | Brainerd Learning Center - MLAP/AEC | -12 | Guitar for Beginners | Guitars | | \$ 768 |
| Justin Barnhart | Brainerd Learning Center - MLAP/AEC, WESB or District-Wide | 7-12 | 3D Printing/Engineering/Design | I would like to purchase new 3D printers and supplies to build this program into something that could be a district wide asset for parts for any department to request things that can be used in classrooms for examples or parts custodial may need around buildings and such. | \$ 1,379 | \$ 5,121 |
| Shelly A Munoz | District-Wide | District Wide- DCD - SPED | STEM For ALL | KIBO Robot Kit: A screen-free coding robot that uses wooden blocks to teach sequencing, problem-solving, and creativity through hands-on, interactive play. Magna-Tiles Metropolis: A set of magnetic building tiles that promote spatial reasoning, creativity, and fine motor skills through open-ended, hands-on construction. | | \$ 1,400 |
| Danielle Patrick | Forestview Middle School | 6th grade Math | Enhancing student engagement with movement and group work in the Math classroom. | We want to increase student participation in a math classroom using movement and encouraging group work while using these math manipulatives and other materials. | \$ 1,000 | |

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| Rebecca Richter | Forestview Middle School | 8-Family and Consumer Sciences | FACS Kitchen Equipment | 3 Kitchen Aid Mixers, 3 Additional Bowls and 6 Stone Baking Sheets | \$ 1,200 | |
| Tamara Merk | Forestview Middle School | 6/7 grade Level 3 EBD Classroom | Sensory and Hands on Learning | Flexible seating, hands on learning tools, sensory items and sensory area that can help better EBD students to learn while items mentioned can provide support. | \$ 1,000 | |
| Kate Olson | Forestview Middle School | 6 | Headphones for Team 6A | Community (Team 6A) set of headphones for students who do not have headphones of their own | | \$ 368 |
| Amy Aus | Forestview Middle School | 6th Grade/ Language Arts | Classroom Library | I am hoping to purchase books to replace lost or damaged books from my classroom library and add to my bookcase of books that demonstrate good Character qualities. | \$ 690 | |
| Noelle Bussler | Forestview Middle School | 8th Grade Special Education | Battle of the Books 2025 | We plan to fund an in-person author visit at Brainerd High School for our Battle of the Books 2025 program. | \$ 1,000 | |
| Lisa Marohn | Forestview Middle School | 6th grade | Minnesota History Projects/ Activities | This grant proposal seeks funding to acquire books, art supplies, games, puzzles, and other interactive materials that will make Minnesota history come alive in the 6th-grade classroom. | \$ 900 | \$ 500 |
| Amy Aho | Garfield | K-4, SEL | Julia Cook Books | Julia Cook books to complete our current collection of Julia Cook books. | \$ 300 | |
| Stephanie Tangen | Garfield | whole school | Pure Imagination | An interactive transformation from school to Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory | \$ 2,000 | |
| Jill Eglund | Garfield | K-4 Special Educaiton | Supplemental Learning Tools & Materials | books, sensory tools, materials | \$ 1,000 | |
| Kristina Olson | Garfield | 1 | A Slow Start for a Great day! | Manipulatives/Toys to update our morning bins. | \$ 470 | |
| Kristina Olson | Garfield | 1 | A Calming Collection | A bucket of items to help all students when they need a calming moment! | \$ 226 | |
| Katie Mains | Garfield | Elementary SpEd | Ten-Frame Tiles | ten frame math manipulatives | \$ 437 | |

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| Kristina Olson | Garfield | 1 | A Clean Slate | This grant proposal seeks funding to acquire books, art supplies, games, puzzles, and other interactive materials that will make Minnesota history come alive in the 6th-grade classroom. | \$ 295 | |
| Amy Aho | Garfield | SLP K-4 | Oral Motor | I would like to order block bites, chew tubes, mirrors, and cleaning to target oral motor muscles to improve the success of speech intervention. | | \$ 825 |
| Sarah Armstrong | Harrison | 2nd Grade | STEM activity materials | STEM activity materials to be used by the students throughout the school day | \$ 999 | |
| John Tomonovich | Harrison | 3-4 | 2 years w/o a 3D printer is too long | A 3D printer for Harrison. Harrison hasn't had one for two years. | | \$ 679 |
| Teresa Christiansen | Lincoln Education Center | 12+ (18-22 year olds/ASD/DCD/SMI)/ ATLAS Transition Program | Level 4 Hands on learning materials | Hands-on manipulative and vocational materials to increase independence and work skills. | \$ 1,000 | |
| Amy Fry | Paul Bunyan Co-Op | B-22 | PBEC Sensory Motor Equipment/Tools | We wish to purchase a variety of tools and equipment to support sensory-motor and regulation needs of BPS kids from the B-3 program to ATLAS. | \$ 1,430 | |
| Kayla Richters | Riverside | K-4 | Ready Bodies, Learning Minds | Offers support to students' sensory and motor systems | \$ 1,170 | |
| Kayla Richters | Riverside | K-4 | Fine Motor/Executive Functioning | Materials to help students build fine motor and/or executive functioning skills | \$ 1,285 | |
| Alexis Roering | Riverside | DCD special education | Leap Ahead Kits: PRT Tools for Growing Minds | We hope to create kits for pivotal response training sessions, including communication tools, sensory items, and activity materials, to support children with cognitive disabilities. | \$ 1,800 | |
| Kayla Anderson | Riverside | 2-4 SPED | TaskTastic Functional Learning Kits | We aim to purchase task box materials, including manipulatives, visual supports, sorting tools, and adaptive resources, to enhance hands-on learning for students in our programs. | \$ 1,500 | |

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| Jill Borge | Riverside | K-4 DCD and students who need regulation support | Sensory Rx | Commercial grade sensory materials for our students with disabilities to help them regulate | \$ 6,200 | |
| Kayla Anderson | Riverside | K-4 SPED | Step into Stories | I am hoping to purchase a collection of engaging, motivating, interactive, and accessible books designed for students with complex learning needs in my classroom. These books will support literacy development, communication, and independence. | \$ 1,000 | |
| Jennifer Larson | Warrior Early Learning Center | Preschool | Children of the World: Books, posters, bulletin set, instruments, play food, dolls, and theme box | Children of the World: Books, posters, bulletin set, instruments, play food, dolls, and theme box | \$ 700 | |
| Shawn Duerr | Warrior Early Learning Center | age 2- 6 | stairs | a furniture set of small stairs | \$ 1,500 | |
| Amy Strother -Early Childhood PTO | Warrior Early Learning Center | Early Childhood | Sensory Paths | Adhesive visuals to aid in gross motor development | \$ 1,000 | |
| Maycie Berg | Warrior Early Learning Center | Little Warrior Childcare | Program Furniture Upgrade | We wish to purchase new shelving and storage containers for our classrooms within Little Warrior Childcare. Our shelves are old and worn, we are looking at new ones for the safety of our students. Along with organization for the staff. | \$ 1,328 | |
| Aline Gilb | Warrior Early Learning Center | Preschool Special Education | Building Communication Skills | I would like to purchase items that will build communication skills, that are fun and engaging, for many of my students who are not yet talking. | \$ 990 | |
| Ashley Simmons | Warrior Early Learning Center | Early Childhood/Special Ed. | STAR Classroom Furniture | Classroom furniture for learning and developmental play | \$ 2,277 | |
| Mary Elias | Warrior Early Learning Center | nursery/Family Edu | Cozy Corner for students | quiet book area for my students. | \$ 528 | |
| Sarah Anderson | Warrior Early Learning Center | PreK | WELC Library Revamp | We are looking to buy new books and supplies for our WELC Library | \$ 1,500 | |
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