



# Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation

ARTS ACADEMICS ATHLETICS ACTIVITIES

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## ***SPOTLIGHT ON FUNDED PROJECTS***

### **Hands-On Learning in Kindergarten**



Michelle Stone teaches kindergarten and writes, "My grant was for literacy games and math manipulatives. The student above plays with the alphabet match up game to match the letter with the picture that starts with that letter. Below, a student uses the colorful bugs to practice counting and sorting."



### **Lego Robotics Project**

Peggy Thornton is a teacher with a particular gift for combining technology and learning. She tells us about her grant-funded robotics club project by saying, "We wanted to introduce younger students (ages 9 – 14) to real-world engineering challenges by building LEGO-based robots to complete tasks on a thematic playing surface."



We wanted our students, guided by their imaginations and adult coaches, to discover exciting career possibilities and, through the process, learn to make positive contributions to society. On the first night 46 students showed up eager to start applying real world math and science concepts. What they are accomplishing is nothing short of amazing. It's fun. It's exciting; and the skills they learn will last a lifetime!"

### **Funded Projects 2014 – 2015:**

This year the Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation funded 33 school district programs and projects worth \$17,400. A partial list of this year's funded projects appears below, and a complete list can be found at [www.coosbayschoolsfoundation.org](http://www.coosbayschoolsfoundation.org).

#### **Arts**

- Music enrichment programs at Blossom Gulch and Madison
- String guitars at Sunset and "Boomwhackers" at Madison
- Stage boxes at Marshfield

#### **Academics**

- Science supplies and equipment at Millicoma and Sunset
- Wall maps and primary source documents at Marshfield
- Books and materials for instruction at every school

#### **Athletics**

- Laps program incentives at Madison and Sunset
- Football helmets at Marshfield

#### **Activities**

- TAG Robotics program at Millicoma and Sunset
- Civil War Connections event at Marshfield
- Printing costs for one issue of *The Marshfield Times* (awarded best student paper in the US in 2013)

### ***Our Mission Statement:***

*The mission of the Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation is to promote programs for the arts, academics, activities and athletics for the benefit of the students of the Coos Bay School District by raising funds through community partnerships.*

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**THANK YOU:** This year Oregon Pacific Bank served as the sponsor of our Spring Tea fundraiser. We are grateful for their generous support.

**HOW CAN I HELP?** Contributions to our annual grant fund can be mailed to: Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation, P. O. Box 1372, Coos Bay, OR 97420.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** "An Evening with Mark Helfrich," takes place at the Mill Casino and Hotel at 6:00 pm on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased at Oregon Pacific Bank, Hill and Hill Financial, 7 Devils Brewing Co. and Walt's Pourhouse. If you live out of the area and would like to purchase a ticket, contact Nancy Girt at (541) 269-1330.

