



Opening Doors, Enriching Lives

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Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation

ARTS ACADEMICS ATHLETICS ACTIVITIES

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SPOTLIGHT ON FUNDED PROJECTS

STEM Event at Blossom Gulch



Blossom Gulch Elementary School received a grant to bring a full day of STEM (science, technology, engineering and technology) activities for students with an additional two-hour evening session so that families could explore the activities along with their students. Students got hands-on experience with over 60 different STEM activities and nearly 400 people attended the evening session. The student shown above is enjoying playing with different geometric shapes while the students in the photo below are exploring buoyancy as they create and float foil boats. Students and their families enjoyed this learning experience.



Swim Lessons for Elementary Students

Thanks to a generous grant from Bay Area Hospital, 1422 Coos Bay students in grades K - 5 are receiving swimming lessons this school year at no cost. Children in the photo below are shown improving their kicking skills. Swim Instructor Kathe McNutt said, "This grant allows all children to participate in the swim program without hardship to their families. Swim lessons are so important to the children in our area



because we live around so many bodies of water. The grant helps us provide our children with a healthful physical activity and a life-saving skill."

Band Instruments for Intermediate Schools



Instrumental Music Teacher Michael Minks received a grant to buy nine instruments for the band classes at Millicoma and Sunset. The young musicians in the photo above are proudly showing off three of the new instruments.

Funded Projects 2019 – 2020:

This year the Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation funded 32 school district programs worth \$52,000. A partial list of this year's funded projects appears below, and a complete list can be found on our website, www.coosbayschoolsfoundation.org.

Arts

- Art supplies at Blossom Gulch, Madison and Millicoma
- Field trip to a Shakespearean play in Ashland for Resource Link students
- Songbooks and a keyboard at Madison
- Band instruments at Millicoma and Sunset

Academics

- Books and literacy materials at Blossom Gulch and Madison (Kay Lorence Grant)
- Math books, calculators and materials at Blossom Gulch, Madison and Millicoma
- Chromebooks at Destinations and iPads at Sunset
- Materials to establish the Marshfield High School Business Program

Athletics

- Swim instruction for K – 5 students (Bay Area Hospital Foundation Grant)
- Partial funding for 6 - 8 man football sled at Marshfield (Helfrich Family Grant)
- HUDL Film services subscription fees for Girls Basketball Team at Marshfield
- Swim fins for Swim Team at Marshfield

Activities

- STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Activities Fair for students and families at Blossom Gulch
- Books for the Oregon Battle of the Books teams at Marshfield
- Field trip to Newport Aquarium for 50 students at Marshfield (Stan Sweet Legacy Fund)

Projects Funded by CBSCF to Date:

The Coos Bay Schools Community Foundation was formed in 2007. We have awarded 415 grants worth over \$290,000 to provide expanded opportunities and enriched educational experiences to Coos Bay students.

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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