

INNOVATION FUND IMPLEMENTATION & SCALING GRANTEES DECEMBER 2018

Grantee	Charles R. Drew Charter School
Priority Area	Teacher & Leader Development for High-Need Schools
Type of Grant	Scaling
Award Amount	\$660,557.24
Project Name	STEAM Beyond Borders: Connecting Georgia's Educators Through STEAM/PBL Professional Development
Program Description	Charles R. Drew Charter School will collaborate with elementary and middle schools across Georgia, as well as higher education, industry, and community partners to scale its evidence-based, teacher-leader model to build educator capacity in science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM) and Project-Based Learning (PBL). The program will connect partnering educators to a broad network of resources, expertise, and inspiration through ongoing trainings, excursions, and symposia. This inclusive community of practice will empower participating teacher-leaders to spearhead STEAM and PBL within their own schools. STEAM Beyond Borders will culminate in a Georgia-wide conference that will bring together teachers, administrators, and education leaders to engage in STEAM/PBL-focused professional learning sessions facilitated by participating teacher-leaders and partner organizations.

Grantee	Clayton County Public Schools
Priority Area	Teacher & Leader Development for High-Need Schools
Type of Grant	Implementation
Award Amount	\$615,615.00
Project Name	VOICE: Video Observations Improving (Teacher) Collaboration and Effectiveness
Program Description	VOICE: Video Observations Improving Collaboration and Effectiveness will provide professional development to math teachers from four Clayton County Public Schools' (CCPS) elementary schools. Through partnerships with the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB), the Teaching Channel, and ArtsNow Learning, CCPS will provide a hybrid model of professional development that includes face-to-face training in math content and standards combined with personalized, virtual coaching that will include video observations with individualized feedback provided by content experts.

Grantee	Telfair County School District
Priority Area	Birth to Age Eight Language and Literacy Development
Type of Grant	Implementation
Award Amount	\$663,814.00
Project Name	Telfair County Tiny Trojans
Program Description	Telfair County Schools will implement Tiny Trojans, an early literacy program for three-year-old children operated by Telfair County High School's Early Childhood Education (ECE) department. Tiny Trojans will prepare at-risk three-year-old children for pre-kindergarten by providing them with language-rich adult-child interactions. Additionally, high school students will apply their ECE knowledge by assisting teachers in developing lessons and activities and working directly with the children daily.

Grantee	Whitfield County Schools
Priority Area	Birth to Age Eight Language and Literacy Development
Type of Grant	Scaling
Award Amount	\$563,558.00
Project Name	Beyond the Classroom
Program Description	Whitfield County Schools will scale Beyond the Classroom, a community literacy strategy with evidence of positive impact on children, families, teachers, and preservice teacher candidates. The program will serve over 1,500 children and parents throughout the year in Learning Academies, Power Lunches, Summer Literacy Camps, and other literacy events through partnerships with Dalton State College, the Northwest Georgia Healthcare Partnership, and the Northwest Georgia Regional Library. Participating teachers will receive professional development and have access to resources to help transform their classrooms into language-rich environments.