



## FISCAL YEAR 2017

### INNOVATION FUND TINY GRANT AWARD WINNERS

<i>School District</i>	<b>Atlanta Public Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Drew Charter School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>The Media Arts and Science Club</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$7,990.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	The Media Art Designs and Science Club at Drew Charter School will use the tiny grant to purchase handheld, mobile devices to offer a flexible learning space that adapts to different project-based learning units, projects, and learning styles.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Barrow County Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>County Line Elementary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>VR Critters</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$9,999.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	County Line Elementary School will enhance their STEAM initiative through the use of virtual reality technology in English Language Arts, science, and social studies. Virtual reality will immerse students in different environments and time periods that help them engage with the content and master the standards in a new way.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Barrow County Schools</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Barrow Book Partnership</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Birth through Age Eight Language and Literacy Development
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$1,000.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	The Barrow Book Partnership is a collaboration between the school system and other local organizations to increase early literacy development of low-income children up to age five. Tiny grant funds will support the purchase of books for the program.



<i>School District</i>	<b>Bibb County School District</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Westside High School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>CREATE: Enrichment MakerSpace</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$5,000.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	Westside High School will CREATE (Computer Science, Robotics, Engineering, Arts Education, Technology Enrichment) opportunities through a school-level MakerSpace Institute. Westside High School will use the tiny grant to purchase equipment and software to populate the MakerSpace Institute.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Bulloch County Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Sallie Zetterower Elementary</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Sprouting STEM at Sallie Z!</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$3,007.94
<i>Description of Project</i>	Sallie Zetterower will create an outdoor STEM classroom to supplement their existing indoor STEM lab. The school will use the tiny grant to purchase supplies and equipment for students to design and use the outdoor space.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Carrollton City Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Carrollton Elementary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Kindergarten Kick-Off</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Birth through Age Eight Language and Literacy Development
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$1,616.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	Kindergarten Kick-Off will provide new students the opportunity to learn basic academic and social skills in preparation for their kindergarten year and beyond. The tiny grant will support the purchase of supplies for the summer program.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Floyd County Schools</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Raised Bed to Table: Kitchen Gardens</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$6,162.80
<i>Description of Project</i>	Floyd County Schools seeks to effectively engage students with STEM standards by growing vegetable gardens. With the tiny grant, the district will pilot kitchen gardens at three elementary schools to teach STEM standards founded in three-dimensional, hands-on learning.



<i>School District</i>	<b>Gwinnett County School District</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Dr. M.H. Mason Elementary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Terra Club Herbs</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$8,662.26
<i>Description of Project</i>	The Terra Club at Mason Elementary School will purchase equipment and supplies to add to its existing Tower Gardens. The club plans to grow and harvest herbs and then sell them to the community – helping students master ELA, math, and science performance standards.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Hart County Charter System</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>North Hart Elementary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Growing Great Minds at North Hart Elementary</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Birth through Age Eight Language and Literacy Development
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$5,269.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	North Hart Elementary School will use the tiny grant to purchase supplies and equipment to create a "storybook garden" as an extension to its media center.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Heard County School System</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Heard County Elementary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Heard County Baby Braves</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Birth through Age Eight Language and Literacy Development
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$10,000.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	Heard County Baby Braves is an innovative, early childhood outreach program aimed at preparing zero to three-year-olds for school. The program teaches young children fundamental skills to ensure they are on grade level when they enter pre-kindergarten. The tiny grant will support the purchase of books, flash cards, games, and puzzles to support the initiative.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Jasper County Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Jasper County Primary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Blended Learning: Enhanced Literacy Development for Primary Students</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Blended Learning
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$9,719.80
<i>Description of Project</i>	This project will compare classrooms using traditional teacher-directed reading instruction with classrooms using the blended learning approach. Jasper County Primary School will use tiny grant funds to purchase equipment and software to support blended learning classrooms.



<i>School District</i>	<b>Jones County Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Jones County High School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Blended Learning and Differentiated Instruction for Algebra 2</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Blended Learning
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$9,985.03
<i>Description of Project</i>	This project will provide a blended learning, differentiated classroom for 11th grade students needing additional support in Algebra 2. Jones County High School will use tiny grant funds to purchase equipment to populate the new blended learning lab.

<i>School District</i>	<b>McDuffie County Schools</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Project S.T.R.I.D.E.</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$10,000.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	Project STRIDE (Student Talent Recognition, Identification, and Development Education) is a weeklong summer program featuring STEAM-based initiatives incorporating a variety of topics to foster creativity, build vocabulary, promote problem-solving, and collaborate with peers.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Monroe County Schools</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Monroe County Pre-Kindergarten Phonological Awareness Project</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Birth through Age Eight Language and Literacy Development
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$1,720.62
<i>Description of Project</i>	The Phonological Awareness Project will teach engaging literacy activities to help Monroe County pre-kindergarten students learn rhyming, beginning and ending sounds, and blending.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Montgomery County Schools</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Eagle Express</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Birth through Age Eight Language and Literacy Development
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$10,000.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	The Eagle Express, a mobile classroom, will travel the county to teach families literacy skills and strategies. Montgomery County Schools hopes that families will use the tools they learn to effectively prepare their children for success when they enter pre-kindergarten. Tiny grant funds will support the purchase of equipment for the mobile classroom.



<i>School District</i>	<b>Rome City Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Elm Street Elementary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>E3 (Engineering Entrepreneurial Experience)</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$10,000.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	The E3 program is an applied learning model that engages students with the engineering community to stimulate real-world problem solving. Elm Street Elementary School will use the tiny grant to purchase equipment and supplies to transform the traditional classroom into an engaging, collaborative space for students and community members.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Rome City Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>Elm Street Elementary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Tiny House, Big Dreams</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$3,470.40
<i>Description of Project</i>	Fourth graders at Elm Street Elementary School will build a tiny house to donate to a homeless veteran in Georgia. This project will provide the students with hands-on learning inside and outside of the classroom. The tiny grant will support the purchase of equipment and supplies to build the house, as well as travel to attend the Tiny House Festival.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Rome City Schools</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>North Heights Elementary School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Growing Up Green: Gadgets in the Garden</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$8,650.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	Gadgets in the Garden will enhance the existing "Growing Up Green" program by providing students with unique learning opportunities that combine gardening with technology. North Heights Elementary School will use the tiny grant to purchase equipment and supplies to support the initiative.

<i>School District</i>	<b>Warren County Schools</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>Community Gardens and Brown Bag Program</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$9,937.00
<i>Description of Project</i>	Warren County Schools will use the tiny grant to enhance their existing Farm to Table program. The program will use the funds to build outdoor gardens and create a "brown bag" farmers market to distribute bags of fresh, school-grown produce to underprivileged families in the Warrenton area.



<i>School District</i>	<b>White County School System</b>
<i>School</i>	<b>White County Middle School</b>
<i>Project Name</i>	<b>WCMS Robotics</b>
<i>Priority Area</i>	Applied Learning with a Focus on STEAM Education
<i>Amount Funded</i>	\$8,495.99
<i>Description of Project</i>	This project will implement a robotics-themed classroom where students can learn to write and execute programming skills necessary to build and control robots. The tiny grant will support the purchase of robotics equipment.