



2019-2020 Teacher Initiative Grant Recipients

Acock, Michele: Kindergarten Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$367.00

Purchased: *Seeds* magazine for class

Akers, Cathy: 1st grade Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Materials for STEM buckets and learning materials for literacy centers

Ambute, Heather: K- 8th PE Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: *Rookie Rugby* curriculum into the Health and PE program

Apuyan, Tanya: Kindergarten Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$487.00

Purchased: Math manipulatives, reading/phonics activities, and sensory/behavior tools

Arcia, Edgar: High School Teacher, Tri Cities Prep

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$548.99

Purchased: Oculus Quest all in one VR Gaming Headset

Arnold, Kathleen: 5th grade Teacher, Assumption Catholic School, Spokane

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$250.00

Purchased: Whiteboard and a kidney table for classroom

Axel, Heather: High School Teacher, Tri Cities Prep

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$479.22

Purchased: NETGEAR WIFI routers (3)

Barfield, Michael: K - 8th grade Teacher, St. Aloysius Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$494.00

Purchased: A document camera

Bears, Danielle: High School Teacher, Gonzaga Preparatory

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$395.00

Purchased: Research based program that focuses on foundational skills and study strategies

Becker, Lori: 4th - 6th grade Teacher, Guardian Angel / St. Boniface Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Two sets of Harwood Blocks

Becker, Katie: 2nd & 3rd grade Teacher, Guardian Angel / St. Boniface Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Social Studies activities and games to help supplement the curriculum



Bennett, Lisa: 6th & 7th grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$494.70

Purchased: Learning supplies: *ScootPad* for math, first aid & sanitation kit, and a wobble stool seating option

Blatner, Andrea: 5th grade Teacher, Assumption Catholic School, Spokane

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$250.00

Purchased: Whiteboard and a kidney table for classroom

Bole, Matthew: High School Teacher, Gonzaga Preparatory

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: A dry mount press and dry mount tissue

Bonner, Brooke: 5th grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$410.79

Purchased: Carpet rugs for more sitting areas

Bowen, Kimberly: High School Teacher, Tri Cities Prep

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$463.39

Purchased: A classroom projector

Brandal, Jennifer: 3rd grade Teacher, St. John Vianney Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$410.00

Purchased: Literature to support needed literacy intervention for 3rd graders reading below grade level

Branson, Kristina: K - 8th Art Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Art supplies: paint brushes, sponges, paints, drawing pencils, and art paper

Bruno, Allison: 6th grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Classroom copies of [The Hobbit](#) & [The Christmas Carol](#)

Cochran, Abby: 4th grade Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: A document camera, Science Rock kit, and six copies of the [Wonder](#) novels

Collin, Ashley: 3rd grade Teacher, Assumption Catholic School, Spokane

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Whiteboard and wobble stools

Cook, Kathleen: 5th grade Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Wireless, omni-directional microphones with stands



Cryan, Dawn: High School Teacher, Tri Cities Prep
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: A ceiling mounted projector with a remote control

DeGon, Jeffrey: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$482.20
Purchased: New set of Washington State History textbooks and teacher's curriculum guide as well as 20 new editions of Lois Lowry's novel The Giver

Dodge, Dan: 2nd & 3rd (combo) Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Paint supplies for art curriculum, PE supplies, and science kits

Druffel Williams, Joann: 1st grade Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$470.03
Purchased: Update VHS *Reading Rainbow* materials

Flannagan, Tom: High School Teacher, Gonzaga Preparatory
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$495.54
Purchased: Miniature steam engine, electric generator, and solid fuel pellets

Flynn, Michele: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Kodak digital camera and a LCD screen

Fonseca, Bianca: 5th grade Teacher, St. Patrick Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Materials for a Classroom reading corner, math manipulators, anchor charts to help guide lessons, necessary basic school supplies

Funston, Daphne: 5th grade Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$488.52
Purchased: Book study materials to help strengthen student comprehension in English

Gehring, Sheri: 4th - 6th grade Teacher, Holy Family Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$312.69
Purchased: CIA reading unit for 6th grade English

Giancola, Madeline: 2nd grade Teacher, St. Patrick Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$203.99
Purchased: A Q Ball interactive wireless microphone

Gogl, Jo Anna: K - 8th Music Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$408.00
Purchased: Class set of headphones (25) to use with a comprehensive music website



Hall, Kathleen: Art Teacher, Gonzaga Preparatory
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: 1000 pounds of clay for Art 1

Hamill, Kelly: 2nd grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$293.89
Purchased: Online subscription to *ScootPad* & Bluetooth Speaker

Hammond, Mary: 4th grade Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: STEM materials to enrich 4th grade science curriculum

Hardin, Robert: 5th - 7th grade Teacher, St. John Vianney Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$499.24
Purchased: Supplies for last year's awarded grant of a 3D printer

Hartley, Mark: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, St. John Vianney Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$468.23
Purchased: The Washington Journey (8) and a teacher book

Harvey, Julie: 1st & 2nd grade Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$464.00
Purchased: Silk screening equipment

Hatcher, Rajiv: K - 4th Music Teacher, All Saints Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Djembe drums for music class

Haun-McEwen, Peg: Dean of Students, Gonzaga Preparatory
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Speaker for Wellness Week

Hayden, Grace: Kindergarten Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Literacy resources, STEM projects, bins, cardstock, balls, speakers and wireless mice, and clipboards

Hazeltine, Nick: K - 6th grade Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Exercise mats used in K-8th PE classes

Hohl, Erica: High School Teacher, Tri Cities Prep
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$359.99
Purchased: New speaker for gymnasium



Holcomb, Stacie: 6th grade Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Novels to be used with literature circles in grades 5-7

Holland, Amanda: 5th & 6th grade Teacher, St. Aloysius Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$381.24

Purchased: Manipulative kit to enhance the new math curriculum

Hughes, Theresa: 2nd grade Teacher, St. John Vianney Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$340.00

Purchased: Set of Fountas & Pinnell reading books to enhance reading and comprehension

Hull, Brian: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, St. Mary Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$494.62

Purchased: Greenhouse equipment and supplies

Ingram, Carol: Kindergarten Teacher, Holy Family Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: PE equipment

Johnson, Olivia: K - 6th Music Teacher, Holy Family Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Ukuleles for half of the class

Johnson, Christina: 1st grade Teacher, St. John Vianney Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: One year subscription to *Reading A-Z* and print color copies

Lafferty, Lorie: K - 8th PE Teacher, St. Mary & John Vianney Catholic Schools

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$460.44

Purchased: A wireless PA system to be used by PE classes at both St. Mary and St. John Vianney Catholic Schools

Lampert, Debbie: Kindergarten & 4th grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$299.00

Purchased: STEM kit - Action Solar House Design Challenge

League, Taryn: Psychology Teacher, Gonzaga Preparatory

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: 3D brain models (5) for Psychology classes

Leahy, Carrine: 3rd grade Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$460.77

Purchased: Religion resources with emphasis on Saints and Sacraments



Lo, Kaylee: 1st grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$246.88

Purchased: Magna-Tiles to enhance STEM learning in classroom and a variety of Bible books

Lutz, Kim: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$496.45

Purchased: Bins for storage, circuit kits, magnetic tiles, and Zoob builders to be used for content, teamwork, and collaboration

Macaulay, Kimberlyrose: 7th grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Chromebooks (three) that are compatible with existing software for *Learning Ally*

Manfred, Keri: 3rd grade Teacher, St. Aloysius Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$475.00

Purchased: Projection system to pair with current document camera

Manfred, Stephen: High School Teacher, Gonzaga Preparatory

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: 3D printer to be shared with other Geometry teacher

Maucione, Janet: 4th grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$271.15

Purchased: Bluetooth speaker and pack of carpet squares used to enhance the learning environment

McNitt, Andrea: 3rd - 5th grade Teacher, St. Mary Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Art supplies to support 5-6 grade classes

Michaud, Janna: 3rd grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$326.64

Purchased: STEM bins to help engage early finishers

Mills, Pat: 1st & 2nd grade Teacher, St. Aloysius Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$495.68

Purchased: Picture books (34) and beginning book series used to promote joy in my classroom

Mills, Maureen: 3rd grade Teacher, Holy Family Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: CIA program for 3rd grade reading

Mudd, Vanessa: Director of Campus Ministry, Gonzaga Preparatory

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$288.25

Purchased: *The Ignatian Adventure: Experiencing the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius in Daily Life*, which will act as the foundational tool for the Senior student Leadership during Magis retreat



Musson, Janette: Kindergarten & 1st grade Teacher, Guardian Angel / St. Boniface Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Math start books, dot painters and ink pads to help with ABC's, playdough tools and clay to help strengthen kids hands, set of blocks , and magnetiles to help develop vocab and improve math skills

Myers, Rachael: 4th grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$223.14

Purchased: Exercise balls (4) for flexible seating and carpet squares (24)

Nauditt, Kristen: K - 8th Music Teacher, St. Mary Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Costumes, props, and set materials for our staged productions

Nuss, Katie: 5th & 7th grade Teacher, St. Aloysius Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$381.23

Purchased: Manipulative kit to enhance the new math curriculum

O'Dea, Kendra: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, St. Mary Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$424.00

Purchased: A class set of recording devices for English class

Oresky, Michelle: 3rd, 7th, 8th grade Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$486.00

Purchased: A class set of Bibles and Catechisms for 7th and 8th grade Religion classes

Parker, Patty: 2nd grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$430.00

Purchased: Early finishers and independent learners and cooking supplies to help with measurement

Pearson, Alicia: Kindergarten & 1st grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$405.04

Purchased: STEM bins, organization cart, and STEM books

Perrier, Mary: 8th grade Algebra Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Graphing (5) calculators

Potter, Matt: PE Teacher, Tri Cities Prep

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$480.37

Purchased: Cuisinart Countertop (11) single burners to help students learn how to cook healthy meals

Powers, Brett: High School Teacher, Tri Cities Prep

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$479.78

Purchased: Keyboards, mice and mouse pads for computers



Powers, Annie: High School Teacher, Tri Cities Prep
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$371.64
Purchased: New PE equipment that will help develop new skills not already offered

Purchio, Kiley: 4th grade Teacher, St. John Vianney Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$499.38
Purchased: Math manipulatives to help students access math curriculum with a hands on approach

Rapp, Devon: 3rd grade Teacher, St. Mary Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$300.00
Purchased: Art supplies

Raske, Sara: 7th & 8th grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: One year license to *Scootpad.com* and math manipulatives

Rasmussen, Sheri: K - 8th grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$385.10
Purchased: Portable Pickle Ball net system

Rizzuto, Deb: Kindergarten Teacher, St. John Vianney Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Non-fiction guided reading books

Rowley, Bobbi: 2nd grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$459.17
Purchased: Bluetooth speaker & a classroom mailbox center

Sanchez, Carley: 3rd grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$300.00
Purchased: Math manipulatives and supplies to create a guided math rotation

Schmidlkofer, Becky: 7th & 8th grade Teacher, St. Mary Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$351.71
Purchased: Recycle bins for the school - for community service; doorbells and set of dry erase boards

Schneck, Katie: 4th grade Teacher, St. Charles Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00
Purchased: Materials for small group work; a movable easel, storage bins, organizer cart, and Dog Man book series

Schultz, Kevin: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, St. Mary Catholic School
Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$358.28
Purchased: Wireless Lavalier/Lapel/Headset microphone System



Seidel, Fr. Curtis: Chaplain & High School Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$492.27

Purchased: 18 copies of the signature classic by C.S. Lewis

Shields, Brenda: 2nd grade Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Curriculum materials through *Teachers Pay Teachers*, religious DVD's, and a classroom set of rosaries

Sims, Ryan: 3rd grade Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$490.00

Purchased: A pull down projector screen

Sims, Janelle: 7th & 8th grade Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Grammar and vocabulary books for 7th and 8th graders

Slamkowski DiTommaso, Elizabeth: C.S. Program Director, Gonzaga Preparatory

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Grant dollars will be used to help impliment Margins program

Solberg, Jenna: K - 8th Music Teacher, Cataldo Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Five electronic keyboards to use in conjunction with a keyboard curriculum

Speltz, Lynn: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$492.70

Purchased: Religion textbooks for 6th grade

Spets, Sra. Sue: High School Teacher, Tri Cities Prep

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Two new vacuums

Spiering, Jeanie: 2nd grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: New Science kit resource for 2nd grade

Steeber, Mindy: 3rd grade Teacher, All Saints Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: *Can Do* Reading Games, which were developed to engage students in developmentally appropriate ways to work with all parts of literacy

Stevens, Joanne: 1st - 2nd grade Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Literacy games and flash cards, reading books, math games, and a wireless document camera



Stillar, Katelyn: High School Teacher, Gonzaga Preparatory

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Apple Pencils (3) to teach digital drawing units

Sutlick, Cheryl: 7th & 8th grade Teacher, Walla Walla Catholic Schools

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$335.70

Purchased: 30 copies of classroom novel, The Book Thief

Tayne, Amanda: 6th - 8th grade Teacher, Assumption Catholic School, Spokane

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Costumes and props for upcoming 7th & 8th grade play

Tombari, Joe: High School Teacher, Gonzaga Preparatory

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: 3D printer to be shared with other Geometry teacher

Turcotte, Janelle: 5th - 8th grade Teacher, St. John Vianney Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: A new classroom computer for instruction and lessons

Turner, Lou: 5th - 7th grade Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Catholic Youth Bibles (18)

Urbaniak, Mary: Kindergarten Teacher, St. Mary Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$500.00

Purchased: Math manipulatives and STEM materials

Van Nostrand, Lynn: 2nd grade Teacher, Trinity Catholic School

Teacher Initiative Grant Awarded Amount: \$468.72

Purchased: A document camera, STEM materials including educational engineering games and activities