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October 2017

Foundation Board Approves \$106,514

The SJPS Foundation Board recently approved 15 grants totaling \$106,514 at its October meeting. The Special Fund Requests were reviewed by the Project Committee and brought to the Board for formal recommendation.

The following projects were approved for funding:

- \$6000 for Author Patricia Placco Visit, K-5
- \$9410 for Learning Lasts! Summer Experience 2018, 2-4 grade
- \$2500 for Elementary Field Trip Support, K-5
- \$12,000 for Building Classroom Libraries to Support Literacy, 1-3 grade
- \$500 for Destiny Discover Training, K-12
- \$1000 for Breakout EDU, Upton MS
- \$44,845.47 for STEAM: Project Lead the Way, Phase 1, Upton MS
- \$200 for Off-Site Community Service, Upton Builders Club
- \$1410 for 2018 Senior Career Day, SJHS Class of 2018
- \$211 for Recycling in Every Classroom, SJHS
- \$500 for Academic Challenge State Tournament Trip, SJHS
- \$750 for Film Club, SJHS
- \$610 for Yearbook Photo Shoots, SJHS
- \$7000 for Auditorium Equipment Additions, SJHS Performing Arts Center
- \$20,128 for SJPS Robotics Program Funding for 2017-18

2017-18 Teacher Grant Recipients



The SJPS Foundation awarded Teacher Grants totaling \$24,288.15 at the district-wide opening breakfast held August 30th. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the

Foundation has been able to provide grants to teachers for activities that are not funded by the general fund of the school district. **Congratulations, SJPS Teachers!**

Mrs. Walsworth is already utilizing her Teacher Grant for [Flocabulary](#) to assist English students master academic content while building core literacy skills through engagement, mastery and student creativity. [Check out the video!](#)

Carmen A. Grandy Award for Teaching Excellence

Honoree expresses gratitude for educational support

Upton Middle School's Joe Fralick is the first recipient of the Carmen A. Grandy Award for Teaching Excellence. This award was established in 2017 by Charles, Lori, Leah and David Grandy in honor of their mother/grandmother, Carmen A. Grandy, who taught in the St. Joseph Public Schools from 1967 through 1995.



Carmen A. Grandy

August 7, 1937 - July 1, 2016

Throughout her career, Mrs. Grandy regularly explored potential approaches, techniques and tools to enhance her teaching methods and improve learning outcomes for students. She positively impacted thousands of students during her career in public education.



Mr. Joe Fralick

Upton Middle School Art Teacher

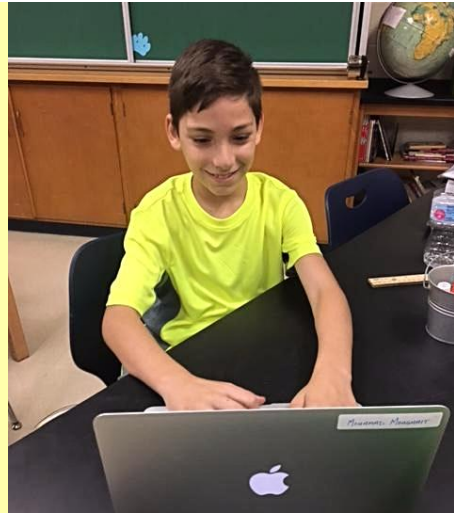
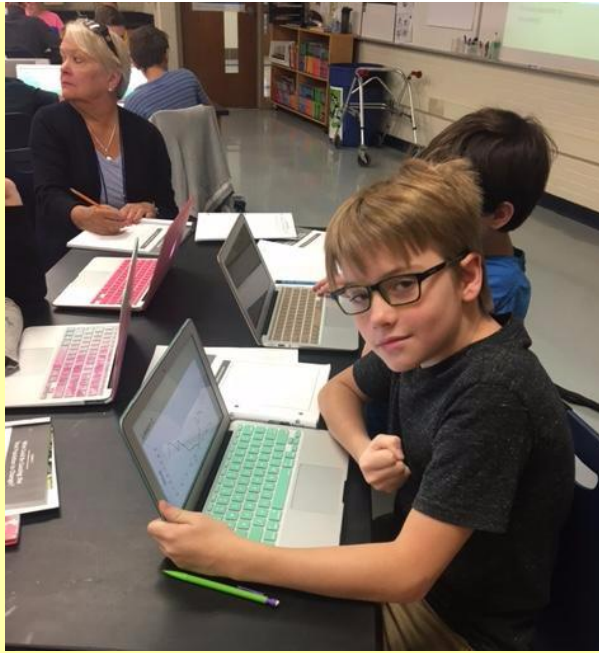
"I'm very honored to receive this award. The SJPS Foundation and the families that donate to it really have an impact on what I can do in my classroom. Without their help and support, we'd never have the opportunity to implement innovation like the Glowforge."

I am so appreciative of everything the Grandys and the Foundation have done for me!"

SJPS Foundation Contributes \$100,000 to 1 to 1 6th Graders Receive MacBook Airls

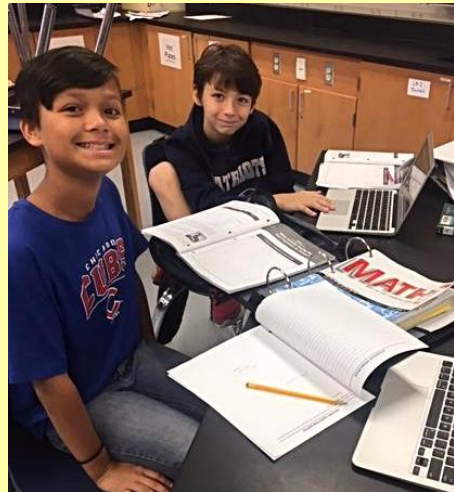
[St. Joseph Public Schools](#) is committed to educating and preparing students in a 21st Century learning environment. The district is engaged in a program called Partnership for Unlimited Learning with the [SJPS Foundation](#) to implement 1:1 Computing for middle school students. The Foundation contributes \$100,000 annually to this program.

New laptops were issued to 6th grade students the first week of school, and following a series of orientation sessions, students are able to take their laptops home to complete coursework. Students are issued the same laptop in grades 6, 7, and 8, with laptops being collected at the end of 6th and 7th grade. At the end of 8th grade, students have the opportunity to purchase their laptop and take it on to high school.



MacBook Air day at Upton MS

[To learn more, click to view the 1:1 Handbook](#)



3rd Annual FRIENDRAISER

Thank You, **SILVER BEACH PIZZA**, and everyone who joined us to raise funds for the SJPS Foundation. It was a great night for a great cause...our students!



[View Photo Gallery Here!](#)



Memorials



In Memory of Robert Dyer

Bill and Jane Marohn

In Memory of John Warrick

Dennis and Lynn Bowen

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