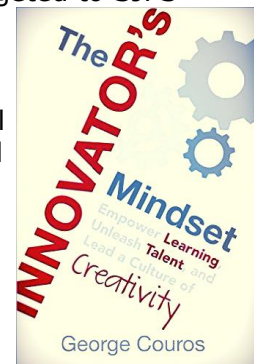


February 2016

FOUNDATION AWARDS OVER \$24,000 SPECIAL REQUEST GRANTS

Twice yearly, the Foundation awards Special Fund Requests. These grants are for administrators and club advisors for school projects that typically don't happen in the classroom under the direction of one teacher. This school year alone, \$65,730.50 has been awarded in this category. February recipients are:

- **First Lego League, Brown Elementary - \$1,628** (Ann St. Amand) With this grant, Brown will initiate a robotics team for its students. This grant will fund two robots, First Lego League registration fees and other start up costs.
- **First Lego League, E.P. Clarke Elementary - \$315** (Julie Jarvie) The Foundation has supported the robotics team at Clarke the past two years. Since they already have robots, the funds include registration fees and new materials.
- **First Lego League, Lincoln Elementary - \$1,760** (Bridget Lorenz, Kendall Harmening, Andria Baker, Erica Walsh) Lincoln will add a Junior FLL for the '16-'17 school year. This will allow 3rd graders to participate and design their own robot. The funds include registration fees and additional materials for both teams.
- **Speaker Col. Gregory D. Gadson, SJHS - \$2,000** (Kevin Riggs) Col. Gadson is a retired colonel in the United States Army and the former Garrison Commander of the U.S. Army Fort Belvoir. He will speak to the SJHS student body on April 22, 2016.
- **National Art Education Association National Convention for SJPS Art Educators - \$3,349.50** (Mike Wagner, Craig Hubble, Michelle Allen) The district will send 3 art teachers (one from each level) to Chicago for this national conference. Numerous sessions are specifically targeted to SJPS professional development goals.
- **The Innovator's Mindset - George Couros - \$9,000** (Michelle Allen and Amy Dirlam) Couros, a passionate educator, innovator and international speaker will be the keynote speaker for the 2016-17 opening professional development day for SJPS staff.
- **Learning Management System Implementation - \$6,000** (Bryan Parsons) This will impact all students in the district as it would be used daily for delivering daily assignments as well as serve as a historical repository for past assignments for students who may miss school or have a need for remote services.



The next Special Fund Requests are due October 1, 2016



Act Auditions are now being accepted!

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Audition deadline April 1, 2016



Scholarship Applications Due March 18, 2016 by 3:00 p.m.

Believe in Yourself - (2) \$5,000 Scholarships
Suchovsky - (6) \$5,000 Scholarships
Yeager - (1) \$5000 Scholarship

\$45,000 in scholarships for SJHS Class of 2016!
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2016
Foundation Goals



In January the Foundation Board set the following goals for 2016:

1. \$450,000 in total revenue
2. Successfully obtain a grant for an important project
3. \$20,000 in new annual pledges (\$500 minimum) to the Foundation
4. ENCORE 2016 to generate \$100,000 in total revenue
5. Student Foundation implements a project
6. New class of Distinguished Alumni
7. Two new Board members prepared to step up to leadership positions in 2017
8. Continue to generate projects that are innovative and have a lasting impact on SJPS students
9. Collaborate with the school district to enhance the visibility, messaging and creativity of the school electronic sign

Foundation Photo Contest

Deadline to enter is **March 18th**. Photos featuring school events taken between April 2015 and March 18, 2016 are eligible. Your photo could end up in the 2016-17 SJPS calendar! Visit our website for [photo contest](#) rules and prize information!





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In Memory of William Gillespie, Joyce Vance

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