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Ashland County Community Foundation Announces Teacher Mini-Grant Recipients

The Ashland County Community Foundation Board of Trustees ratified Teacher Mini-Grant awards for 2016-2017. Thirteen educators serving Ashland County schools were awarded grants totaling \$7,701.98. The grant recipients were recognized and honored at an informal reception held at the Foundation on November 3. The teachers receiving grants are as follows:

Lisa Blackley, Ashland Middle School, was awarded a grant to fund the “Kicked! A Bullying Prevention Program” performance.

Kendra Carnegie, Loudonville High School, received a grant to purchase equipment for the “Plasma Cutter” project.

Kara Edgell, Mapleton High School, was awarded a grant to purchase supplies for the “Novels for Spanish Classroom” initiative.

BreAnn Fennell, Reagan Elementary School, received a grant to purchase supplies for the “Go, Go, Gadget” project.

Laurie Keller, St. Edward School, was awarded a grant to fund the “Exploring the Indigenous Culture of Uganda” presentation.

Tari Mole, Ashland City Schools, received a grant to purchase supplies for the “STEM for Kindergarten” project.

Kevin Valentine, St. Edward School, was awarded a grant to fund the “Jewish Culture in Music and Heritage” performance and trip.

Distributions from the ARTSDREAM Fund, a component of the Teacher Mini-Grants program specifically for projects in the arts, were awarded to:

Lisa Bowersock & Adam Kime, Mapleton Middle School, were awarded grants to fund the “Literature Comes Alive” performance and trip.

Andrew Lewellen, Hillsdale Middle School, received a grant to purchase equipment for the “Theatre Follow Spotlight” project.

Jeri Millhouse, Ashland Middle School, was awarded a grant to fund the “Today a Reader; Tomorrow a Leader” performance and project.

Distributions from the Sandy Brown Honorary Vocal Music Fund, a component of the Teacher Mini-Grants program specifically for projects in vocal music, were awarded to:

Linda Hawk, Taft Intermediate School, received a grant to purchase materials for the “Ukulele in the General Music Classroom” project.

Kim Wolbert, Ashland High School, was awarded a grant to purchase equipment for the “Mini-Wireless Portable Speaker System” project.

ACCF is pleased to offer the Mini-Grant program for Ashland County schools, both public and private. These grants (up to \$750) go directly to teachers and are intended to foster educational innovation by funding creative ideas not supported by regular school budgets. Deadline for mini-grant application is September 8 of each year. Inquiries can be made by calling the Foundation office at 419-281-4733 or visiting the ACCF website at www.accommunityfoundation.org.