The first Michael R. and Norma E. McKinley Citizenship Education Grants were awarded recently. These Citizenship Education grants are intended to inspire and reward creativity in the schools with promotion of character-building curriculum and initiatives.

Kelly Hohler, Hillsdale Middle School, received a grant to help fund training for Lucy, a therapy dog, who will be used in character building initiatives with grades K-8 at Hillsdale schools.

Jodi Floyd, Mapleton Elementary School, was awarded a grant to help fund curriculum for the Too Good for Violence Program to be implemented next school year.