

Arlington Education Foundation

Innovations in Education Grants, 2018-19

SPRING 2019 Innovations in Education Grants

Changing Perspectives on our National Stories of Origin: Bishop School faculty and staff will develop curriculum and resources to support teaching all facets of our national holidays and highlight diversity within America's story of origin.

Latin Independent Reading for Proficiency: Latin students at Ottoson Middle School will have a classroom library of accessible novellas written in Latin to reach beyond traditional instructional methods and develop fluent reading and speaking.

AHS Journalism Club: The Journalism Club at AHS will expand its print edition capabilities, offering students extended learning opportunities; and members of the club will attend a Harvard-Crimson journalism conference in December 2019 to learn the essential skills of professional journalism.

Self-Defense Elective in Physical Education and Wellness: P.E. students at AHS will be able to choose a self-defense elective that will boost student self-esteem through hands-on training in self defense, practical safety skills, and conflict resolution skills.

Sensory Toolkit: Stratton School will have an assortment of therapy tools designed to support sensory self-regulation. These tools will be available for any student to borrow during school community events.

Social Emotional Library: The AHS media center space will be reimaged to include areas for quiet independent work, collaborative work, and social learning through games and puzzles. This concept will help inform the layout for the media center in a new Arlington High School.

Wellness Workshops for Educators and Social Workers: At Gibbs School, a series of wellness workshops for educators and social workers will enhance well-being, social-emotional skills, mindfulness, and help build a positive and supportive school climate.

FALL 2018 Innovations in Education Grants

Building Culturally Responsive Skills for Engaging All Students: Teachers, administrators and staff district-wide will receive professional development about the complex issues raised by race and racism and their impact on student engagement and achievement

AHS Wellness Day 2018 and 2019: An annual all-day event focused on mental health and self-care for high school students and staff

Storytelling Residency and Curriculum: A storytelling residency at Thompson school will explore genres and forms of storytelling to teach public speaking, specific curricular content, and the art of storytelling

Mobile and Flexible Digital Investigating: Mobile digital probes will allow high school science students to conduct experiments and capture data outside of the classroom

Hands-on, Nurturing Experience in Middle School General Music: Flexible seating will allow Ottoson students to actively engage in music lessons

Diversify and Innovate Stratton Library: Culturally diverse books and related exploration stations will expand student learning for all Stratton students

STEAM for Second Grade: Dallin students will explore engineering and design concepts with hands-on building sets

Professional Collaboration Swivl for Student Discussion and Perspective Taking: Videos of student literature circles at Gibbs School will guide the teaching of discussion techniques that incorporate various perspectives

One Book, One School: All Brackett students will learn and connect as a community through the shared experience of reading the same book