



Foundation For Allen Schools Grant Application 2021

Scholarship Fund Amount: \$0

Let's get to know you!

Please provide your work-related Twitter contact information.	@HubacekMarion5
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I have co-applicants:	No
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Campus	Marion Elementary School
Grade(s)	5

Additional Co-Applicants

Campus	Marion Elementary School
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Project Information

Are there any additional funds available for this grant?	No
Will other grades be involved/impacted?	Yes
Will other campuses be involved/impacted?	No
Does your grant have a technology component?	No
Please select the MAIN curriculum area your grant addresses.	Science / STEAM
How many students will be involved in this	

grant?	300
Name of Grant	All Fur the Fun of it!

Project Information Continued

Provide a brief summary for use on the Foundation's website and social media.	All Fur the Fun of it! is a grant that will provide hands-on learning experiences for the students at Marion Elementary! Our goal is to bring a variety of animal hides into the classroom to enhance lessons. Instead of just reading about how fur can help animals adapt to their environments, our students will be able to actually TOUCH it!
How will the project or program be implemented? Describe activities and tasks. Who is the target population and in what ways will they benefit?	The funds from this grant will be used to purchase materials to use during science instruction. We would use the grant funds to purchase some animal hides to enhance our units on Ecosystems and Adaptations. In 5th grade, we spend several weeks covering animal adaptations and structures and it is a heavily tested concept on STAAR. Bringing in the animal hides will help those lessons come to life! The items purchased with this grant can be shared with kindergarten through sixth to enhance their science instruction as well. Animal adaptations and body structures are concepts that are built into the curriculum of other grade levels. We plan to keep the animal hides in the science lab so that teachers in any grade level can access them when needed.
What is the problem, need or opportunity that this grant will address? Describe the impact of this project on your students.	Fifth grade science is an important year for mastering elementary science content and concepts. At Marion, we strive to make our science lessons as hands-on and engaging as possible. We believe that the more hands-on a science lesson is, the more students learn. With the use of funds from this grant, we would like to give our students the chance to actually TOUCH various animal hides and fur...instead of just reading about it!
Which Allen ISD goals/TEKS does this project support? Please provide 2 examples.	5.9(A) observe the way organisms live and survive in their ecosystem by interacting with the living and nonliving components 5.10(A) compare the structures and functions of different species that help them live and

	survive in a specific environment such as hooves on prairie animals or webbed feet in aquatic animals
Explain how this idea or project enhances/supports Allen ISD curriculum or existing systems.	At Marion Elementary, we focus on making "science" a verb! This means that we believe that students should be able to explore, touch, and have experiences with their science lessons. This level of learning helps makes our lessons more meaningful and helps students build real-life connections. This grant will require minimal prep work from the teacher, but will have a large impact on the students. This makes it easy to implement in our classrooms.
What is the project timeline and the date of implementation?	We plan to purchase the animal skins in September when school starts. We will then use them throughout the year. They will also be available to use year after year.
What teaching methods will be used to implement this project?	We plan to use the animal hides in small groups, whole group lessons, and stations. Our goal is to allow students to be able to make observations about the animal hides and be able to touch them (with supervision). Not only will they be used in 5th grade classrooms, but they will also be available in Kindergarten-6th grade classrooms!
What specific measurements will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the project?	The effectiveness of the project will be measured through student scores during formative and summative classroom assessments, district benchmark assessment, and end of year 5th Grade Science STAAR assessment.

Project Budget

Total Grant Budget Requested:	429.28
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Project Budget Set Number 1

Question	Answer
Item Type	Instructional Supplies or Resources
List item to be purchased under item category:	Rabbit Skin
Unit Cost	14.58
Quantity	1
Total cost of items in this category:	14.58

Project Budget Set Number 3

Question	Answer
Item Type	Instructional Supplies or Resources
List item to be purchased under item category:	Rattlesnake Skin
Unit Cost	130.90
Quantity	1
Total cost of items in this category:	130.90

Project Budget Set Number 4

Question	Answer
Item Type	Instructional Supplies or Resources
List item to be purchased under item category:	Artic White Fox Skin
Unit Cost	218.90
Quantity	1
Total cost of items in this category:	218.90

Project Budget Set Number 5

Question	Answer
Item Type	Instructional Supplies or Resources
List item to be purchased under item category:	Skunk Skin
Unit Cost	64.90
Quantity	1
Total cost of items in this category:	64.90