

Grant Number 1284

Project Title Tech 4 All

Please select the **MAIN** curriculum area your grant addresses.

Special Education

Does your grant have a technology component? (Will you have technology equipment, software, etc. in your budget?)

 No Yes

Primary Contact Information

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Campus Allen High School

Main Subject Special Education

Grade(s) Please select all applicable.

I have co-applicants.

Social Media

Please provide your work-related social media contact information.

Facebook

Twitter

Other (please specify)

Additional Grant Applicants

	First Name	Last Name	Campus	Grade
Phyllis		Adams	Allen High School	10, 11, 12, 12+
Kelly		Brown	Allen High School	10, 11, 12, 12+
Ben		Gilmore	Allen High School	10, 11, 12, 12+

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Campus/Student Information

Your campus: Allen High School

Will other campus' be involved/impacted by this grant? No
 Yes

Your grade(s):

Will other grades be involved/impacted? No
 Yes

Project Purpose

What is the problem, need or opportunity that this grant will address? Describe the impact of this project on your students. (500 words or less.)

In this B.Y.O.D. (Bring Your Own Device) classroom culture our students are often left out. I teach Functional Academics (partially self-contained Special Education) Math and Social Skills. My team and I love using programs like Kahoot, Quizizz, Nearpod, and others just like the General Education teachers and my student's love these as well. Unfortunately, many of our students do not have smart phones or even cell phones like the typical high school student. Much of our student population functions at a lower developmental level with lower social skills that keep them from being able to appropriately handle cell phones. We check out the school iPad cart as often as we can, but its availability is not consistent and it is even more difficult to add applications to these. At the beginning of this school year we requested an application to be added and it took over two months to finally get it. Having a class set of iPads would be extremely beneficial to our students.

Project Description

How will the project or program be implemented? Describe activities and tasks.
 Who is the target population and in what ways will they benefit? (500 words or less.)

I would like a class set of iPads so that my Functional Academics teaching team and I can utilize more technology in our classrooms. We have eight teachers who teach everything from core academics, to daily living skills, as well as vocational skills. We currently serve around seventy students. A class set of iPads would allow us to add applications such as Seesaw so that our students can independently share their work with teachers and their families. We could also use educational apps like Vizzle, Nearpod, and Brain Pop. We can also use the iPads to access tools like Moby Max and Google drive. With our own class set these apps can be added quickly and conveniently as we find a need for new platforms. Not only will students gain from the educational benefits of including more technology in the classroom, but they will also increase their skills and independence in utilizing technology which will help them with independent living skills and vocational skills for their future.

Project Summary

Provide a brief summary for use on the Foundation's website and social media. (2-3 brief sentences)

The Tech 4 All grant will bring the B.Y.O.D (Bring Your Own Device) culture to Special Education students that don't have access to their own devices. It will allow them to participate in technology integrated learning as well as increase their tech skills for their future vocational endeavors.

Allen ISD Goals/ TEKS

Which Allen ISD goals/TEKS does this project support? Provide only two or three examples.

Adding technology to our classrooms will allow us to address any number of TEKS as well as meet the Allen ISD mission of cultivating innovation.

Measurement

What specific measurements will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the project? (500 words or less)

When dealing with Special Education students we are constantly keeping data and tracking student progress on goals. We are also tracking communication home with parents which will increase with the use of Seesaw. I think another area for growth would be student engagement which can be measured through observation.

Teaching Methods

What teaching methods will be used to implement this project? (500 words or less.)

The iPad could be used in group activities like Nearpod and Kahoot or they can be used for individual learning like Seesaw assignments, MobyMax, or Vizzle.

Timeline

What is the project timeline and the date of implementation?

This project would be implemented immediately after purchasing the iPads and students would benefit as long as the technology is current and functioning.

Curriculum/System Support

Explain how this idea or project enhances/supports Allen ISD curriculum or existing systems.

Technology is not always the answer, but when utilized with careful planning it can really help to engage and empower students to learn and grow in all areas of academics as well as personal living skills. Having access to iPads in our Special Education classrooms will allow us to utilize a wider variety of learning tools on a more consistent basis to increase our students learning and independence.

Budget Details ** All awarded funds will be available by September of the next school year.

Budget Item	Item Type	Unit Cost	Quantity	Total Cost
32 G iPad	Technology	309.0	10	3090.0
Otter Box iPad cases	Other Expenses	69.95	10	699.5

BUDGET TOTAL 3,789.5

Are there any additional funds available for this grant? Campus or District Funds? PTA funds? Let us know if you have or will be seeking funds from other sources to help with this project.

Additional funds? No
 Yes

Principal Approval Required

Please provide the Name and Email of your PRINCIPAL. (Not your name)

First Name	Last Name	Email Address <small>(Completed)</small>
Brian	Neely	brian.neely@allenisd.org

Applicant Signature

By entering my name below I signify that I understand that if I move within the District and have written the grant myself, I may take the grant with me to my school (as long as it is appropriate for my classes). If I have written the grant as part of a team, I will leave the grant behind with the team. If I leave AISD, I will leave the grant with the school for which I wrote the grant. As a condition of this grant, I will complete an evaluation form provided by the Foundation.

Signature Amanda Maxwell

Date 02/01/2019

I certify that this would be a good use of funds for our school and this grant supports the district goals and/or our campus improvement plans. **Do NOT include any identifiers, such as: campus name, your name, teachers name or mascot **

No actions possible.

Comments

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