

Grant Number 1204

Project Title Cooking Class: Building Vocational and Social Skills

Please select the **MAIN** curriculum area your grant addresses. Special EducationDoes your grant have a technology component? (Will you have technology equipment, software, etc. in your budget?)
 No
 Yes

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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
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Campus/Student Information

Your campus: Curtis Middle 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.)

The project will address the need for students with disabilities to be involved in vocational activities and practice skills that can be transferred to the workplace in the future, when possible. Our students learn best through real life, hands on and engaging activities that they can see both at home and school. The purpose of this project is to provide materials, funding and items needed for the weekly cooking class. At this time, there is a functional SPED kitchen with all the appliances, but the equipment is outdated and our weekly class depends heavily on teachers' funds and materials. We would like to create a regular, structured weekly class that will not depend on teachers' ability to provide all the ingredients for the week.

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.)

Specifically, Structured Learning and Active Learning students will be involved in creating a monthly menu and shopping list for the cooking class on Thursdays. Students will observe and participate in various meal preparation and kitchen maintenance activities: preparing, sorting and identifying ingredients. opening packages, stirring, mixing, chopping, setting the table, cleaning up, washing dishes. In addition, they will be actively practicing social skills needed for the workplace, such as following directions, taking turns and communicating wants and needs.

Project Summary

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

Structured Learning and Active Learning students at Curtis Middle School come together every week to take part in a new cooking adventure. This real life and hands on learning experience is providing them with an opportunity to practice both vocational and social skills, such as meal preparation, following directions and creating a product as members of a team.

Allen ISD Goals/ TEKS

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

This projects reflects the following Allen ISD goals:

Transform the traditional classroom into an innovative learning experience that meets the needs of the individual learner.

Since both the Active Learning and the Structured Learning curriculum strongly relies on occupational and functional goals, I feel that this projects strongly supports our students on their way to independence and reaching their full potential.

Measurement

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

Each student has an Individual Educational Plan (IEP) that addresses functional, vocational and social skills. The success of this project will be measured by recording data on specific goals for each student.

The project leaders will also create a yearly menu, so there will be a final, consumable product every week that can be documented.

Teaching Methods

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

Modeling, prompting, repetition and use of visuals to engage students and keep them on task. Every student will be assigned a duty/ task that corresponds to his individual level of functioning in the classroom (with the goal of gaining and learning new skills).

Timeline

What is the project timeline and the date of implementation?

Spring Semester of the 2018/19 school year and Fall Semester of the 2019/20 school year, with the goal that this class becomes our weekly tradition, as long we have funds and support for it.

Curriculum/System Support

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

The Special Education Curriculum will be enhanced by Community-Based Instruction and concurrent classroom instruction because the students will be receiving functional instruction in a real-life setting which will more effectively result in the overall goal of increased independence. Students come together as a team, create a product and spend some meaningful and fun time together. This is a priceless experience for students and also makes a world of difference for the families who enjoy seeing their children interacting, creating and involved in a meaningful and productive activity that will, in some cases, facilitate students' path to independence and employment.

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

Budget Item	Item Type	Unit Cost	Quantity	Total Cost
Visa gift card (Target or Walmart) - funding for grocery shopping	Instructional Supplies or Resources	500.0	1	500.0
Corelle® Square Lunch Plates White - 9"x9" Set of 6	Instructional Supplies or Resources	20.49	2	40.98
37oz Plastic Cereal Bowl Gray - Room Essentials	Instructional Supplies or Resources	0.79	10	7.9
Pharo Silverware Set 20-pc. Stainless Steel - Room Essentials	Instructional Supplies or Resources	9.99	5	49.95
Farberware High Performance Nonstick Aluminum 17-Piece Cookware Set - Champagne	Instructional Supplies or Resources	59.99	1	59.99
Stripe Apron Gray - Threshold	Instructional Supplies or Resources	14.99	14	209.86
Wilton 12 Cup Muffin Pan	Instructional Supplies or Resources	6.39	2	12.78
Set of 3 Non-Slip Mixing Bowls Stainless Steel - Made By Design	Instructional Supplies or Resources	20.0	1	20.0
Mixing Bowl Set - Room Essentials	Instructional Supplies or Resources	12.99	2	25.98
OvenStuff Non-Stick Set of Three Cookie Pans	Instructional Supplies or Resources	8.99	1	8.99
Kitchen Towel 4 Pack Gray - Threshold	Instructional Supplies or Resources	9.99	2	19.98
KitchenAid 7-Speed Digital Hand Mixer	Instructional Supplies or Resources	61.99	1	61.99

BUDGET TOTAL 1,018.4

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>
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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 Zorica Trifkovic

Date 01/31/2019

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

Our campus can support some of this cost, but anything to support our most unique learners is greatly appreciated. Thank you for considering this grant.

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