



DeKalb County Literacy Fund

2011 Grants

Organization	Purpose	Award
Butler Early Education	Reduced fee Butler Public Library cards for low income families not residing within Butler city limits, but who are being served by Butler Early Education childcare & preschool program.	\$500
Butler Public Library	Kindergarten Prep School supplies for summer 2012 including reusable manipulatives, art supplies, and consumables such as pencils, crayons, paper. Had 45 students participate in the Summer 2011 program.	\$500
DeKalb County Community Corrections	Literacy materials for Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT) for 30 DeKalb County Juveniles. MRT combines group & individual counseling, education, and structured exercises for better moral development. MRT is used in 47 states, including Indiana.	\$750
DeKalb Reads	Literacy kits (materials & books) for parents of kindergarten students, identified as needing basic skills, who complete a 2-part parent enrichment series. Kits-a start on their child's home library-are an incentive for parents to complete the series. Goal is to meet with 100 families.	\$900
Eckhart Public Library	Lego Club projected to reach 40 children, 1st through 5th grades. Involves 1/2 hour challenge activity led by Project Lead the Way student volunteers. Creative play will encourage out-of-the-box and critical thinking, cooperative/collaborative play, and will reinforce math, science and engineering skills.	\$350
Garrett Public Library	"Boys only" reading materials. Display area devoted to genres/titles appealing to boys who on average read 2 hours less per week than girls. Highlight fantasy, action, humor, gothic horror, and sports to interest young male readers.	\$500
JE Ober Elementary School	"JEO Reading Café" is a new project in the JE Ober cafeteria. 30 minute lunch break but some students eat quickly and then have nothing to do. Creating a Reading Café where students can sit in comfortable seats and curl up with a good book. Funds needed to purchase books to provide lunchtime reading for kids.	\$400
McKenney-Harrison Elementary School	A parent-child book club is being created that will meet once a month in the evening, five months out of the school year. Each month, parent/child will read a different book and will be given post-it notes and a reflection journal to document their thinking and create discussion questions. Grant will be used to purchase 20 copies of five different children's books, response journals and other basic supplies.	\$100

8 Grants Awarded

Total \$4,000

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Butler Early Education	Reality-based books which will reinforce their new philosophy inspired by Reggio Emilia in being more intentional about children's environments and interactions	\$300
Butler Public Library	"The 1,000 Book Club", literacy program aimed at preschool children which provides bags of books that can be taken home	\$500
Children First Center	Children's books for DeKalb County families enrolled in Children First programming	\$800
Creative Play School	Felt literacy sets (The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Goodnight Moon, Rainbow Fish, etc.) and 60 take-home family packs for their spring literacy fair	\$500
Eckhart Public Library	Book Buddies summer sessions in 2011 for parents and children participating in the Auburn Presbyterian's Friends' Mission Table	\$500
Garrett-Keyser-Butler School District	"Books on the Bus", where students take a bag of books while boarding the bus and enjoys them on their ride	\$500
JE Ober Elementary	New program "Tool Time" that will work with students in the Response to Intervention groups which are struggling with reading and are below grade level	\$500
Purdue University DeKalb County Extension	Purchase sets of financial literacy books for all DeKalb County elementary schools for "Captain Cash", a new program teaching 3rd and 4th graders financial literacy and focuses on personal responsibility with money management	\$400

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