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Camdenton R-III School District Education Foundation, Inc.

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Camdenton Teachers Honored with Classroom IMPACT Grants

The Camdenton R-III School District Education Foundation continues successfully progressing with its Classroom IMPACT Grant program that began in 2012.

At their January Board Meeting, the Education Foundation approved five more projects for 2016, bringing the total to approximately \$13,500 for 19 grants awarded over the past four years.

The 2016 recipients are:

- O *Hawthorn Elementary* -- **Project Title:** Makerspaces; Teachers: Angie Rogers, Denise Richardson, Dawn Moore. Makerspaces provide hands-on, creative ways to inspire students to design, experiment, build and invent in science, technology, engineering and math. **Impact:** 500+ students and teachers.
- O *Hurricane Deck Elementary* -- **Project Title:** Leveled Reading; Teacher: Angela Pace. Funds will replace missing and worn books, add more current books and incorporate more nonfiction text to Hurricane Deck library's leveled library. **Impact:** 195 students.
- O *Dogwood Elementary* -- **Project Title:** Making Research Attainable; Teachers: Shelli Young, Cheryl Hymes. Grant provides PebbleGo databases giving students access to a resource at their reading level, with a read aloud option, and information offered in a manageable format for young readers. Enables teachers and students to design, develop and integrate digital learning experiences. **Impact:** 760 students Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 2 and 60 certified staff members.
- O Lake Career & Tech Center -- Project Title: "I'm Ready for My Close-Up"; Teacher: Chef Jackie Wilson. Funds will move LCTC's culinary kitchen into the 21st century by installing a camera and screen that will allow every student a very clear and enlarged view of each demonstration, making it much easier and more efficient for students to comprehend the techniques being taught. Impact: Over 90 LCTC and evening Community Education Culinary Arts students will benefit from this upgrade.
- O Camdenton High School -- Project Title: Get In Touch; Teachers: Nancy Becker, Amanda Crocker, Angie Sellers. Provides authentic learning in the classroom by exposing students to current technology being used in the workplace. Touch screen monitors will allow CHS Business students to test their products on a non-portable device. Impact: 475 Business and related club students.

The Education Foundation's biggest project that is fully underway is the exciting annual "Elegant Evening" fundraiser scheduled for Friday, April 22, 2016 at the Camdenton High School Commons area. For tickets please call Linda Leu at 573-346-9213.

For more information visit www.camdentonschools.org, click on District Info then Education Foundation.











Photo collage caption: 1) Hawthorn students celebrate Makerspaces grant; 2) Hurricane Deck Teacher Angela Pace awarded grant during all-school assembly; 3) Camdenton Education Foundation Directors Jim Jackson and Marsha Schoeneman, Dogwood Elementary teachers Shelli Young and Cheryl Hymes, Foundation Directors Mickey McDuffey and Sherri Harmon, Principal Shawn Dandoy; 4) Chef Jackie Wilson applauds grant award with Culinary Arts students; 5) CHS Business Teachers Angie Sellers, Amanda Crocker and Nancy Becker accept grant certificates in class setting.

