



## McKay Elementary

**2010-2011**

**W.O.L.F. Camp (Wondering/Observing/Learning/Fun): \$9,870**

**Funding provided through the BEF Building STEAM 4 All Program**

Imagine a child who has never been to the zoo, hiked a forest, or dug in the dirt to look at bugs. Efforts to encourage this child at school fall flat because the child has no background knowledge to help him/her access curriculum. The goal of this grant is to address the lack of background knowledge of at-risk students by taking them to see things for themselves. This summer program will be an integration of reading, math and science and will be taught in a fun and creative way culminating each week with real life learning on a field trip.

**Summer Book Bags: \$1,000**

**Sponsor: Nike**

This grant will support a summer reading project that encourages students to continue reading over the summer. Maintaining reading over the summer will help maintain or increase academic achievement across the curriculum. Special summer reading bags will securely contain appropriately leveled, high interest books for students to take home over the summer and return at the start of the school year.

**Arts for Learning (A4L): \$312.50**

Award will be used to fund one Arts for Learning unit, with an artist in residence in one classroom in each grade 3-5 during the spring. Arts for Learning integrates standards-focused, text-based content and arts strategies to improve students' achievement in literacy, learning and life skills.

**Take My Teacher Home: \$1,000**

Take My Teacher Home is a project that extends the school day in a fun and exciting way for kindergarten readers. Students will benefit from teacher instruction by taking home an Ipod loaded with pre-recorded lessons. Each lesson includes vocabulary, letter fluency, a song, poetry, literature and occasionally a writing exercise.



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**Experience Science: \$950**

**Funding Provided through the Building Steam 4 All Program**

This project will help fill the gaps in science knowledge and experience for English Language Learners (ELL). Funding will enable more of these students to experience hands-on science that will build their background knowledge and spark their interest in science.

**Scientific Terrific: \$990**

**Funding Provided through the Dave Gettling Technology Fund**

Creating enthusiasm for science and fostering scientific thinking are goals of this program. In this pilot project, students will plan their own science inquiries, follow project guidelines, reflect on their learning, use engaging tools and technology and create multi-media presentations. The goal of the project, for TAG (Talented and Gifted), and high achieving students, especially girls, is to create enthusiasm and engagement in the study of science beyond elementary school.