



FOUNDATION FOR  
BELMONT EDUCATION

FBE Learning Excellence and Professional Development  
Grant Awards Update - April 2021

LEARNING EXCELLENCE GRANTS

Applicant	Target School	Award Title	Grant Purpose	Target Area	AMOUNT
Adam Niles and Rebecca Silver	Chenery Middle School	Amplifying Indigenous American Voices in Grade 7 Humanities	to purchase sets of three new book titles that would reflect Indigenous American voices in Grade 7 English classrooms to diversity the literature circles unit (a mode of learning in which students choose books, form book clubs, and practice discussions with the guidance of teachers)	English Language Arts, Social Studies	\$3,497
Arto Asadoorian	Belmont High School	BHS Modern Band	to partially fund and equip a new music ensemble - Modern Band - with the instruments and peripheral equipment required to provide students with an authentic and meaningful experience	Fine and Performing Arts	\$7,250

TOTAL LEARNING EXCELLENCE GRANTS **\$10,747**

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Applicant	Target School	Award Title	Grant Purpose	Target Area	AMOUNT
Colleen Foley and John Bracey	Chenery and BHS	Diversifying Latin Curriculum for Grades 6-12	to pay for professional development and teacher time for Latin teachers to support their work to diversify the Latin curriculum, adding more representation of people of color, various ethnicities, and other examples of diversity into the curriculum through the resources used in the courses	Foreign Language	\$2,100
Deb McDevitt and Lisa Hurtubise	Belmont High School	Integrated Project for 9th Grade Students	to provide teacher time to enable staff to collaboratively define a focus area and create a driving question for an integrated project among the English, social studies, and physics classes that connects content and supports the application of skills in an interdisciplinary way for all 9th grade students	English Language Arts	\$1,800
Isaac Taylor and Sarah Winn	Belmont High School	Restorative Justice: Tier 1 Circle Training for Students and Staff	to fund the Institute for Restorative Initiatives to provide training for a pilot group (15 staff) in the practice of Circles as part of a Restorative Justice model to prepare pilot groups to serve as liaisons and guides as we include more community members next year	Social Emotional Learning	\$7,570

TOTAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS **\$11,470**

TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED SPRING 2021 **\$22,217**