

#	Project Title	Applicant's Name	School	Grade Level	Description
1	Women in History	Pat Van Es	Lincoln	K-3	Students will be able to recognize and celebrate the diverse and historic accomplishments of women in their lives as well as in their community, nation, and around the globe; grade level appropriate activities
2	Incorporating Writer's Workshop Resources in the Classroom	Joan Macri Alayne Mayerson	Union	4-5	Two classroom sets of books per grade level that will serve as a guide for teachers to launch the workshop, raise the quality of narrative writing, breathe life into essays create story arcs write about literature, and create compelling memoirs
3	Read Across America	Michael Stracco Margaret Nastasi	RHS	K-3 9-12	RHS students : Establish a connection between students of Public Speaking and Future Teachers of America; Plan, Rehearse, and incorporate meaningful activities for Read Across America Day
4	Union School 8th Grade Book Club	Jamie Truncellito	Union	8	Book Club will meet bi-weekly alternating with female and male group; students will set the rules and select books; small group discussion among active and eager readers on a book of their choice will strengthen comprehension and critical thinking skills; also will provide a safe setting for struggling readers.

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5	Iditarod	Margit Smith	Pierrepont	5th	Class will follow the Iditarod for the 1st Saturday in March until the last racers comes in to Nome about 18 days later. Classroom work will involve interdisciplinary subjects such as landforms, treatment of dogs, strategy to win. Lessons include cost of mushing, choosing a musher, learning the skills required and an opinion essay on whether or not dogs should be used in the race.
6	Behnke's Book Club	Sara Behnke	Lincoln	3rd	Students meet twice a month to read and discuss a book of their choice in a relaxed atmosphere
7	Summer Time is Reading Time!	Jeanna Velechko	Lincoln	2-3	Summer Book Club: Students entering 3rd grade would have 3 opportunities to return to school over the summer for book club; students entering 2nd grade would have two chances. Principal will have primary responsibility for overseeing program and training teachers/parent volunteers to lead discussion.
8	Read with Me- Bookbag Centers	Kristy DelMastro Theaudrey Mayfield Kathy Coleman	Lincoln	2-3	Reading Center to promote higher level thinking and to encourage interaction between students while reading various novels; each unit contains 20 award winning novels and activity sheets.
9	Listening Library for Middle School Readers	Anne Hetzel	Union	7th	Extension of existing listening station/library currently housed in classroom; students experience book using both visual and auditory skills; CD's Tapes

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10	Caring Habit of the Month Adventure	Louise Hetzel	Union	4-8	Expand successful program; reusing existing Caring Habits posters (replacing a few that are damaged) Provide all students with Caring Habits pencils each month to daily reinforce the Caring Habit beyond posters and daily announcements.
11	Book Talk and a Pizza	Tony Bucco	Pierrepoint	8th	Create life-long readers by promoting discussion of age appropriate books that are not on any school reading list; 5 groups of 5. Create book talk over pizza, much like discussion of movies or books "buzzed" about in the media.
12	Making Cross-Cultural Connections Through Folk Art	Diana Hecking	Pierrepoint	4-5	4th and 5th grade students will create projects based on artwork from various areas of the world; a/v DVD programs with 6 full color art reproductions, student booklets, teacher's guide for interdisciplinary activities, etc.
13	Where In The World is... First Grade?	Kathleen Bresin Bernadette Kennedy	Washington	1st	Materials to aid student in developing their knowledge of the 7 continents and five oceans. -Continents of the World Photo Big Books -Write and Wipe Giant Inflatable Globe -Make Your Own Map Molding Kits
14	The Diary of a Second Grader	Amanda Ruddick	Washington	2nd	Students will create a writing journal to feel like a published authors...based on classroom experience with <i>Diary of a Wimpy Kid Do It Yourself Journal</i> .

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15	Hands on History	Justin Van Dyk	Pierrepoint	6th	Registration Fee for Newark Museum Education Loan Collection for teachers in NJ; activities will revolve around students being able to analyze objects from the time periods being covered in the classroom.
16	Tag! You're It! Jump into Reading!	Nancy Crowley	Lincoln	1st	Touch reading system comes with an electronic hand-held tool the size of a large pen that responds to every touch on specially printed books and material with audio feedback and on-demand reading assistance.
17	Getting to Know You	Pat Van Es	Washington	K-3	Children will participate in the sharing of world books during class time, borrowing books and comparing the story of Cinderella to the European or Disney version.
18	Living Lab	Helene Wetzal	RHS	K-12	RHS Courtyard - living lab to prepare students to be responsible environmentally conscious citizens if the 21st century and to find enjoyment of beautifying their homes and communities. All students and staff participate
19	The Newark Museum Traveling Planetarium	Ryan Ann Caputo	Pierrepoint	4th	Newark Museum traveling Planetarium
20	Heroes and Cool Kids	Frank Stout	RHS	6, 8, 9th 11th and 12th grade students	Program initiated at Rutherford 8 yrs ago under the direction of the Heroes and Cool Kids state networking program involving schools from NJ and NY. Expanded from 23 student members to 53 since inception. Program begins with leading by example and has been extremely well received with a demonstrated positive impact on school culture.

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21	T Cubed Teacher Theater Technologies	Beverly Keegan Tricia Lalla Kim Fecanin Ken Polakowski	Union	4-8	Funds to purchase a stage lighting system; will benefit student performances - seven band concerts; two major school productions and three spring musical theater presentations, PTA talent shows; community use - annual spelling bee etc. Opportunities for hands-on experience with lighting crew; lessons on refraction and lighting design; RHS students will be asked to volunteer time to teach elementary students how to operate sound and lighting system.
22	Science Discoveries	Lorraine De Caprio	Lincoln	K	Students will discover nature mysteries around them by examining magnified images of patterns in nature. Highlight of the grant will be watching caterpillars grow, spin silk, form chrysalises and emerge as butterflies.
23	Multi-purpose room sound system	Connie De Fazio	Pierrepont	4-8	Install a permanent sound system to replace the portable antiquated system currently in use. Would benefit all Pierrepont students during concerts and performances.