

So you want to write a grant?

How many times have you thought about writing a grant but were a little overwhelmed with the idea? Maybe you had never written a grant, didn't know what was involved, and didn't have a good starting point. Well we can help! Below are some suggestions from previously selected grants to give you a few ideas. Take these suggestions and make them your own. Use your knowledge, knowhow, creativity, and put some TFAE grant dollars in your classroom!

- Incorporate Leapsters to aid students in mastering math concepts.
- Integrate Nintendo DS Brain Age video games into lessons to help build higher order thinking.
- Incorporate art activities in special needs classrooms to foster self awareness of art and develop verbal and non-verbal art expression.
- Use books & dramatization materials that allow students to hear about a culture and then actively learn using materials at center time.
- Integrate technology with the teaching process by incorporating audiobooks and Mp3 players in the classroom.
- Provide reading adventures to motivate students with Tag Readers. Tag Readers is a handheld interactive pen that responds to every touch on specially printed books within a series.
- Take students on a journey through our community using the math skills of logic, reasoning, and problem solving to explore and investigate in the real world.
- Immerse students in classic and contemporary literature to enhance their comprehension skills, build vocabulary, and increase critical and creative thinking. Give students the opportunity to write, illustrate, and publish their own book.
- Integrate music and art into ELA curriculum using big books.

- Increase students' oral reading fluency rate by providing them with motivational “play-like” stories for interactive reading.
- Use Brain Pop to create an enhanced interactive classroom environment which will provide a variety of learning avenues to meet independent learning styles for students.
- Use motivational software, *Kidspiration 3 & Living Books*, to improve students reading and writing skills.
- Invite local authors to speak to students. Give students the opportunity to write about events that occur at school, photograph these events, and create a scrapbook of their year.
- Integrate Mimio Interactive into the classroom and use technology to expand students' experiences and knowledge.
- Use hands-on measurement experiences and interactive technological activities to improve students' measurement skills.
- Improve academic achievement in ELA by enabling students to participate in a quiz bowl.
- Provide multisensory games, tools, manipulatives, and materials for children with Dyslexia that will enable them to become better readers.
- Introduce VmathLive to your students to enhance their ability to interact with math concepts and skills through drill and practice.

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