

BUILDING FUTURES GRANTS
2002-2003

LET'S GIVE'EM THE WORLD

...300 third and fifth grade students will increase their comprehension of geography through the use of inflatable globes-one for each student to use during globe scavenger hunts, challenge contests, and geography lessons.

Birdneck Elementary School

Project Director: Kimberly Cassidy

Team Members: Geography Committee, 3rd Grade Teachers, 5th Grade Teachers, and Social Studies Facilitator

Amount Awarded: \$625

YES VIRGINIA, NATIVE AMERICANS STILL EXIST

... A second grade social studies project that brings local Native Americans into the school to construct a partial village (including a longhouse), share cultural information, and engage 120 second graders in craftmaking.

Birdneck Elementary School

Project Director: Kimberly Cassidy

Team Members: Kim Cullipher, Kathy Twiford, Connie Bryan, Tim Wheatley, David Bratcher, Karen Lewis, and Nancy Munson

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

CLAYMATES

...100 middle school students will create animated videos using Claymation software as they research careers and movie-making, plan, design, and create animated videos that will be displayed on the school's website.

Center for Effective Learning

Project Director: Nancy Rae Habit

Team Member: Rick Swift

Amount Awarded: \$921

WHY WEIGHT

...a middle school physical education project involving 250 students in weight training exercises while tracking their personal fitness data and progress on spreadsheets

Center for Effective Learning

Project Director: Kerri Land

Team Members: Scott Kamholtz, Ira Williams, Don Hicks

Amount Awarded: \$740

BOOKS AND BEYOND

...this sixth grade Social Studies project will provide additional reading materials for 60 students who will then take on-line tests on the material read and present "book talks" to the class.

Corporate Landing Middle School

Project Director: Dawn E. Garvey

Amount Awarded: \$975

IMPROVING TEACHING AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH LESSON STUDY: LIVING SYSTEM

...a teacher professional development project that uses the lesson study model to collect data on the effectiveness of a collaboratively designed lesson and uses the results to create a "best practice" model for other educators.

Corporate Landing Middle School

Project Director: Jenny Sue Flannagan

Team Members: Rachel McMillan, Verna Overstreet, Danielle Kreassig, Scott Michels

Amount Awarded: \$884

AFTER SCHOOL BOOK CLUB

...a fourth/fifth grade Language Arts/Technology project designed to provide opportunities for students to engage in book discussions, research books and authors on the internet, and design "favorite book" posters using technology.

Creeds Elementary School

Project Director: Diana Saunders

Team Members: Dixie Lehman, Cathy Whitehurst, Gail Duberstein, Leslie Saunders, Mary Ellen Brinkley, Armida Dora, Dawn Richardson, Kay Frazier, Cindy Mason, Sue Parent, Ellen Burns

Amount Awarded: \$300

CHAMBER ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCE TECHNIQUES

...a project to provide 30 high school band and orchestra students with an opportunity to play in small ensembles to learn the more sophisticated performance and leadership skills required to perform chamber music.

Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Project Director: Steven Ambrose

Team Member: Paul Baird

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

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DIVERSITY YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

... a project to enhance communication skills and heighten cultural awareness among secondary students through the implementation of a youth forum and creation of a diversity pamphlet.

Department of Human Resources

Project Director: Dr. Margaret R. Buxton

Team Members: Student Group

Amount Awarded: \$1000

READING BUDDIES

... this project pairs fifth graders with second graders to participate in weekly, after-school reading sessions focusing on word study and comprehension activities.

John B. Dey Elementary School

Project Director: Janene Gorham

Team Members: Janice Doxey, Barb Hartin, Michelle Morkunas, Jean Koch, Liz Halstead

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

SCIENCE LAB

... this project results in a vacant room being transformed into a Science Lab where volunteers will guide students in completing experiments-- with materials readily available and prepared for exploration.

John B. Dey Elementary School

Project Director: Christine Costello

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

IMPLEMENTATION OF KAGAN STRUCTURES IN THE CLASSROOM

... active participation and teaching others are the focus of this project designed to create team atmospheres in classrooms and improve student learning and achievement in Grades K - 5.

Fairfield Elementary School

Project Director: Blythe Murphy

Team Members: Stephanie Stone, Dr. Sophia Stubblefield

Amount Awarded: \$900

PRIMARY GARDEN PROJECT

... a project that will result in the creation of a garden that will serve as an outdoor laboratory providing habitats for insects, birds, animals, plants, and herbs that correlate with units of study.

Fairfield Elementary School

Project Director: Blythe Murphy

Team Members: Lorrie Voshell, Susan Ryan, Kristine Villaire, Karen Hufford

Amount Awarded: \$650

WEE FALCONS: LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL SUCCESS

... a Ready to Learn project designed to prepare 50 preschoolers for school by engaging them (and their parents) in developmental reading activities and a "Storymate Club" where older siblings read to them.

Fairfield Elementary School

Project Director: Blythe Murphy

Team Members: Lorrie Voshell, Debbie Andre, Jen Mazur, Susan O'Connor, Stephanie Stone, Kim Williams, Stephanie Gilbert

Amount Awarded: \$600

FIRST COLONIAL GENTLEMAN'S CLUB - MEN OF DISTINCTION

... a project to provide young men with positive peer influences, role models, and experiences designed to improve social and behavioral skills.

First Colonial High School

Project Director: Lionel F. Jackson

Team Members: Jatun Hines, Officer Thomas DiMartini

Amount Awarded: \$500

THE PATRIOT PLACE - A SCHOOL STORE

... a collaborative effort between marketing and special education departments structured to provide work experience opportunities for 9th - 12th grade special education students who will plan, organize, and manage a school store.

First Colonial High School

Project Director: Heidi J. Wimbush

Team Members: Jeanine Jones, Amy Gresham, Jan Gilman

Amount Awarded: \$973.58

IN SITU COMPARISON OF THE PHYSIOGRAPHIC PROVINCES AND GEOLOGIC HISTORY OF VIRGINIA

... 200 students will have the opportunity to participate in one of two all day fieldtrips focused on observing Virginia's landscape changes (indicative of the four physiographic regions of VA) as they travel across the state to Natural Bridge Park.

Green Run High School

Project Directors: Courtney Hughes, Richard Measel

Team Members: O. Cassidy, J. Corritore, T. Tortomasi

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

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TRÈS CHÈRES WOMEN OF GRHS

... a seven-week mentorship project for girls in grades 9 - 12 designed to improve confidence, behavior, and social skills by engaging them in activities that focus on leadership, relationships, community service, careers, social graces, and academics.

Green Run High School

Project Director: Caretha R. Walker

Team Members: Jennifer Artherholt, Mary K. Drew, Kathy Eaton, Megan Faulkner, Diana Fleischman, Sandra Gaillard, Leanna Blanchford, Arlene McCoral, Claire Nixon, Jean Ozouf, Gineen Stine, Lucretia Torres, Marsha Warren, Terri Porter, Chris Payne, Christine Marchant, Blair LaHaye

Amount Awarded: \$750

KELLAM HIGH SCHOOL'S WRITING CENTER

... trained teacher and student consultants will provide individualized writing assistance to students in areas such as documentation, editing, mechanics, organization, research tactics, essay openings, and thesis statements.

Kellam High School

Project Director: Angie Evans

Team Members: Dianne Shearin, Shirley Campbell, Shana Remian, John Merritt

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

"HEALTH LINK"

... 96 eighth graders will use HEARTalker monitors to assess their current levels of fitness and to improve overall fitness levels and then plan and organize a Fitness Activity Fair to teach parents and others about "heart health".

Kemps Landing Magnet

Project Director: Ella Maull

Team Members: Linda Jaglowski, James Laumann

Amount Awarded: \$990

PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING THE 1960'S AND 70'S WITH ART, MUSIC, AND DRAMA

... an interdisciplinary project designed to engage 93 eighth graders in music, art, and drama activities of the 60's and 70's through the study of the grade level theme of "Order vs. Chaos" culminating in an evening performance in the Spring.

Kemps Landing Magnet

Project Director: Barbara Kennedy

Team Members: Claire Buffington, Ed Fitzgerald, Carmen Futrell, DeLena Poe, Ken Poe, Patricia Saul, Jamie Young

Amount Awarded: \$997

"CATCHING A NEW ATTITUDE!"

... a project that incorporates the FISH! philosophy into marketing classes, chorus, and the Senior class at KHS.

Kempsville High School

Project Director: Marketing Department

Team Members: Teresa Fary, Diane Miller, Joy Kelly, Margaret Felts

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

ALPHA SMARTS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS AT KING'S GRANT

... provides 4th and 5th grade special education students with Alpha Smart Keyboards in an effort to improve written language and fine motor skills, as well as, enhance word processing abilities.

King's Grant Elementary School

Project Director: David French

Team Members: Joyceann Brown, Michelle Whedbee

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

FAMOUS FACES IN AMERICAN HISTORY

... a project that supports the Social Studies curriculum and the Virginia SOLs by assisting 700 students in learning more about Famous Americans through the display of historical dolls (and interesting facts about them) in the library and display case.

King's Grant Elementary School

Project Director: Maureen Moore

Amount Awarded: \$325

JUGGLE TIME: AN ACADEMIC RECESS

... a project that offers "brain recesses" for PE students, two classes of second graders, and special education students by allowing access to kinesthetic and spatial options for learning new skills through sequential processing activities.

King's Grant Elementary School

Project Director: Cindy Merrill

Team Members: Geraldine Block, Joyceanne Brown, Amy Hardy, Tammy Treanor, Michelle Whedbee

Amount Awarded: \$973.32

HUSH-2

... 60 Earth Science students will be paired with tutor/mentors from Hampton University to enhance their skills and assist in preparation for the end of course SOL test.

Landstown High School

Project Director: Violet J. Hoyle

Team Member: Dr. Adolph Brown

Amount Awarded: \$ 1,000

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AFTER BROWN VS. BOARD OF EDUCATION: AN ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

...this 8th grade Civics project will involve 110 students conducting oral history interviews with community members about the integration of schools in Virginia Beach and Princess Anne County.

Lynnhaven Middle School

Project Director: Marion Broglie

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

FUTURE DRAGONS

...a Ready to Learn project that provides parents of preschoolers with training, information, and books, so that children enter school prepared to learn.

New Castle Elementary School

Project Directors: Amy Wargo, Bonnie Bernard, Jane Arneson

Team Members: Paulett Amburn, Nancy Pullen, Paul Metzger, Keitha Havey, Melanie Van Allen, Gloria Mercer, Leigh Guarin, Jennifer Lahouchuc, Frances Knight, Cathy Wadley

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

FOUNDERS WEEK-OCEAN LAKES HIGH SCHOOL TRADITION

...a school-wide project designed to promote leadership, celebrate tradition, and inspire students to set positive goals for the future through week-long activities, culminating in an assembly featuring a nationally-known motivational speaker.

Ocean Lakes High School

Project Directors: Cheryl Askew, Cindy Copperthite

Team Members: Meyon Burns, Allison Farns Worth, Pam Johnston, Daniel Keever, Kim Montgomery, Michelle Mullis, Andrea Pandeloglou, Sylvia Pitzer, Lisa Senter, Andrea Stover, Carolyn Thompson, Nancy Vaughan, Jessica Windish

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

THE "WRITE" TO READ

...a project structured to merge Earth Science content with Effective Reading Skills-- 50 ninth graders who struggled with Reading SOLs will write non-fiction childrens' books and teach the basic concepts in them to elementary students.

Ocean Lakes High School

Project Director: Tiffany Miller Jenkins

Team Member: Regina Barnett

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

Underwritten By: Electronic Systems, Inc.

INCREDIBLE YEARS TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM

...a project designed to provide teachers with training in creating positive classrooms, motivated students who demonstrate appropriate behavior, and positive relationships with parents, based on Washington State University's "Incredible Years" program.

Office of Psychological Services

Project Director: Lisa Gerrard

Team Member: Michelle Jagodzinski

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

CONNECT WITH CAREERS

...46,000 students in grades 6 through 12 will have the opportunity to network with more than 150 career representatives and business partners on February 26, 2003 at this citywide career fair.

Office of Technical and Career Education and Of Programs for Exceptional Children

Project Directors: Rhonda Doak, Sally Holloman

Team Members: Sam Arrington, Jane DeBord, Ron Hill, Sally Holloman, Kathy Scarper, Amy Schuiteboer, Rhonda Doak, Linda Love, Daniel Smith, Cathy Delaney, Ann Harrison, Mitch Hirsch, Judy McNulty, Bonnie Fischer

Amount Awarded: \$1000

Underwritten By: HP

3RD GRADERS EXPLORE THE FUNDAMENTALS OF SCIENCE

...79 third grade students will participate in weekly science labs designed to provide hands-on practice for scientific principles and methods.

Pembroke Meadows Elementary School

Project Director: Jody Ullmann

Team Members: Lisa Facemire, Mark Jones, Pam Giles, Maureen Ullian

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

BREAKIN' THE CHAIN/FATHERHOOD MANHOOD EMPOWERMENT

...in partnership with the Department of Mental Health and the Police Department, this project promotes social skills and provides cultural experiences for 55 middle schools students using the LifeSkills training curriculum.

Plaza Middle School

Project Director: Judy Kuniba

Team Members: Craig McMillan, Richard Allen, Clover Watson, Suzanne Phelps, Judy Kuniba, Roger Miller

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VIRGINIA: SEE IT, DO IT REMEMBER IT!

...75 fifth graders will travel to Richmond to experience the Civil War Museum and tour the state capital in an effort to bring "Virginia Studies" to life.

Rosemont Elementary School

Project Director: Susan Crawford

Team Members: Erin Anderson, Terry Baumgarten, Debbie Given

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

FOR THE LOVE OF READING

...a 4th grade language arts project designed to improve the reading comprehension of 23 students through the use of themed reading materials and cross-curricular activities.

Rosemont Forest Elementary School

Project Directors: Karen Jacobs, Barbara Imrich

Team Member: Judy Fondaw

Amount Awarded: \$684.61

SALEM ELEMENTARY'S LIVING CLASSROOM

...a project to provide an outdoor kinesthetic/tactile environment awareness for students by designing, installing, and maintaining an outdoor "living classroom" in the school's courtyard.

Salem Elementary School

Project Directors: Patricia Simmons, Jane Calhoun

Team Members: Joe Badali, Sandra Brown, Dave Motcheck

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

HAMPTON UNIVERSITY STUDENTS HELPING (HUSH)

...Sixty 12th graders will be paired with college mentors from Hampton University participating in a Service Learning project-- activities will focus on student achievement, parent involvement, and behavioral/social skills.

Salem High School

Project Director: Iris Nimmo

Team Member: Adolph Brown

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

SALEM HIGH SCHOOL AND GLENWOOD ELEMENTARY READING BUDDIES CLUB

...a reading project designed to pair secondary remedial reading students with Kindergarten "Reading Buddies" at Glenwood Elementary.

Salem High School

Project Director: Joan Bateman

Team Members: Ms. Long, Ms. Beachum, Ms. Joyce, Judson Plata

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

PRIDE FOR READING

...this project enables 18 fifth grade students and their parents to share books, complete activities, participate in discussion groups, research book facts, and share their readings with community partners.

Shelton Park Elementary School

Project Director: Jennifer Saunders

Team Members: Parents of students who elect to participate in the activity

Amount Awarded: \$860

STRAWBRIDGE EXTREME SCIENCE CLUB

...an after-school science club designed to encourage scientific exploration, methods, and inquiry for 30 fourth and fifth grade students.

Strawbridge Elementary School

Project Director: Michael Gooch

Team Members: Michael Gooch, Butch Mackintire, Steve Delaney

Amount Awarded: \$996.35

VIRGINIA BEACH TECH CENTER 16 BAY STORAGE GARAGE PROJECT

...more than 60 students will construct a 8,625 sq. ft. structure to meet the Tech Center's critical need for storage space.

Technical and Career Education Center

Project Director: Charles McDaniel

Team Members: Skip Pease, Bob Shanks, Keith Shiffer, Andrew Smith

Amount Awarded: \$997.50

Underwritten By: HBA, Architecture Engineering and Design

PARENTS AS PARTNERS IN SCHOOL SUCCESS

...a project designed to provide parents with skills needed to assist their children with school success by offering parenting workshops, resource centers, and information on parenting skills.

Thoroughgood Elementary School

Project Director: Mary Kerr

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

THOROUGHGOOD ORFF ENSEMBLE

...27 second through fifth graders will participate in the Orff Ensemble, compose their own pieces, and serve as music ambassadors in the school.

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Thoroughgood Elementary School
Project Director: Robert Scott Foxwell
Amount Awarded: \$1,000

BLOCK 3 READING INITIATIVE: "READING THROUGH MODELING FOR STUDENT SUCCESS"

...260 students will participate in a 34-minute block designed to improve reading skills and interest in reading through teacher modeling in related activities.

Virginia Beach Central Academy

Project Director: Nikki Steckroth

Team Members: Robin Matoon, 27 Block 3 Academic Teachers

Amount Awarded: \$1,000

S.O.A.R.

...Seahawks Organized for Academic Remediation is structured to provide an additional 275 minutes of Math, Reading, Science, History, and Writing instruction per week for students in need of remediation.

Virginia Beach Middle School

Project Director: Michael J. Zitt

Team Members: Laura Walters, Robert Stuhlman, Art Simon, Nancy Horner

Amount Awarded: \$1,000