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**TEXARKANA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION AWARDS \$10,891
IN INNOVATIVE EDUCATOR GRANTS TO TISD TEACHERS**

Texarkana, TX – Texarkana Public Schools Foundation recently awarded \$10,891 in Innovative Educator Grants to Texarkana Independent School District teachers in an effort to assist them in developing innovative and imaginative instructional programs which promote student achievement and advance new approaches to teaching.



The Texarkana Public Schools Foundation was established in 2003 by a group of citizens dedicated to enriching and maximizing the educational opportunities for students and staff at TISD through funding that is not available from local, state or federal sources. Through community support, the foundation works toward building a legacy of excellence in education, ensuring that every child and teacher has the tools necessary for success. To date, the Texarkana Public Schools Foundation has awarded approximately \$86,000 in grants to district teachers.

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Teachers awarded Innovative Educator Grants by, along with program name are:

Melanie Allen – “Does Your Classroom Stack Up”
Angela Coston – “Dual Language Literacy”
Brandy Farrar – “Let’s Get Digital”
Beth Greening – “Take It On the Road”
Susan Hartman – “Language Landing: A Hands On Language Experience”
Michelle Haselow – “Hey, Hey, What Do We Say”
Meagan Hensley – “Centered On Learning”
Tina Hitchcock – “Flip For Learning”
Donna Hunt – “iPad/iLearn”
Doty Nashe – “This is Not Sesame Street’s Elmo”
Maria Primm – “Charge Up”
Gail Peterson – “Energy Trek”
Susan Pride – “Writing Toward Reading”
Emily Ransom – “21st Century Library Initiative”
Kerry Ribble – “Read, Read, Read, All The Way Home”
Sandy Sirratt – “A Window To The World”
Jena Snowden – “iLearn, You Learn, We All Learn With iPods”
Amy Taylor – “Virtual Science Classroom”
Kimberly Teer – “iPad Applications”
Agnes Tirrito – “Centered on Creativity”
Julie Turner – “iTouch, iLearn, iCommunicate”
Nathan Upchurch – “Mobile Interactive Physics”
Waydean Waller – “iPads For Instruction”
Kelli White – “Utilizing Technology in the Special Education Setting & Beyond”

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Ben King, Bonnie Lamb & Vicki Melde representing the Texarkana Public Schools Foundation award \$10,891 in Innovative Educator Grants to twenty-four TISD Teachers.