



Inspiring Experiences at Northside!

The Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District Education Foundation was launched in the summer of 2011 to raise funds to augment programs and activities currently provided by the District, and to keep our local community informed on the strengths, challenges and needs of its schools. Our goal is to provide inspiring experiences for our students now, and for decades to come, through teacher innovation grants, student scholarships and a growing endowment. We seek to accelerate all Middleton-Cross Plains Area students as part of the District's next steps on its journey of excellence.



Since 2013, the Foundation has awarded Inspiration Grants at all District schools. Here are some of the grants funded right here at Northside. Find out how your contribution can fund many more inspiring experiences by visiting www.inspiringexperiences.org.

Travis Follen received \$1,100 to purchase supplies for multiple gardens. The gardens will help supply the school with fresh produce on a year-round basis.

Northside received \$1,000 to purchase supplies and materials for its Makerspace. The Makerspace philosophy embraces process-oriented learning and open-ended activities.

Northside's SPLASH program involves every student in wonderful community-building activities once per month. Northside received a total of \$3,000 over three years to purchase tool kits and picture books, pay a speaker and fund other activities.

Northside received a \$500 grant to support this reading program, which is designed to encourage third- and fourth-grade students to read great books and have fun while competing with peers.

Raelynn Bodell received a grant of \$1,000 to purchase a bass xylophone and metallophone, which allow students who are struggling with the coordination of playing a string or keyboard instrument the opportunity to be a successful part of the music making.

The third-grade team received a grant of \$400 to purchase books aimed at students reading significantly below grade level that appeal to their maturing interests with relatable older and more diverse characters and storylines that allow deeper thinking.

Beth Bergman and Colleen Young received a grant of \$880 to purchase supplies and materials for summer learning sessions held at an apartment complex. The program was designed to reach at-risk students in their home environment to support their educational needs in the summer.

The school received \$500 to purchase a Buddy Bench to help foster friendships and encourage inclusion on the playground. The project was led by Ami Schmidt and Kari Brezenski.

Tower Garden (2017)
Makerspace (2017)
SPLASH (2014, 2015, 2016)
Battle of the Books (2015)
Mallet Melodies (2015)
Diverse, Just-Right Books! (2015)
Summer Sessions (2014)
Buddy Benches (2014)