

**2009 (Total Grants Awarded - \$77,873)**

Mini Grants 2008-2009 - \$15,834.00  
 Annual Grants 2009 - \$ 29,739.00  
 Multi Year Grants 2009 - \$ 32,300.00

**2008-2009 Mini-grants**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Recipient</b>
WPS/SEPAC Social Skills Curriculum Pilot Program	This program will provide training for 5 educators in curricula that promotes social thinking strategies in Autistic children resulting in the initiation of a pilot program for 10-15 students.	Krystla Fay Downey School
SEPAC, Chairperson Speaker Series	This workshop will be offered to parents and educators, to provide a step by step overview of the development of an Individual Education Plan.	Pamela Spiegel SEPAC
Westwood Chinese Cultural Night	An evening to promote cultural diversity within our community. Performances from various groups featuring Chinese dance and music.	Sarina Huang Student, Westwood High School
Second Step Bullying Prevention Program	This grant will provide a bullying prevention program for teachers and students for implementation in grades K-5 at the Sheehan School.	Katarina Lahti Sheehan School PTO
Connecting Students with Environmental Education	Trailside Museum Naturalists will provide six workshops and follow up activities for third grade classes on earth science & as well as a field trip to Blue Hills.	Kristen Evans Principal, Sheehan School
Our Pond's Ecosystem	Grade 5 students will study earth science and ecosystems, conducting in-depth projects on the pond behind the Martha Jones using science and art.	Katie Thurston Martha Jones School
Trashformations - From Trash to Art	Work with Martha Jones Ecology Club to be more earth friendly and aware of the benefits of recycling materials through art projects.	Katie Thurston Martha Jones School
Colonial Trades: Making Community Work, Historic New England Educators	Three interactive programs for the Downey third grade class to demonstrate life around the American Revolution and it's affect on families.	Jennifer Ferraro Downey School
Deerfield Community Health & Wellness Fair	A fair to educate families about the benefits of exercise, nutrition, preventative health, and general healthy living choices.	Patricia DeAngelis School Nurse, Deerfield School

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Living Voices, Island of Hope	An immigration based curriculum program to enhance 4th grade social studies program in all 5 elementary schools including a 45 minute workshop at each school.	Amy Lyons Westwood Public Schools
Technology Workshop for Language Arts Teachers with Thomas Daccord	Workshop for ten of the Thurston Middle School's Language Arts teachers on using computers and technology to learn and exhibit learning.	Neil Kulick Thurston Middle School
Playing It Safe Online: Internet Safety for Students and Parents	Features two presentations, one for students and one for parents on internet safety, online bullying and strategies for safe use.	Allison Borchers Principal, Thurston Middle School
The Return of Travis Roy	This grant will fund the keynote speaker, Travis Roy to present at Diversity Day. This presentation for 8th grade students is an integral part of the World of Difference Program.	Marcie Abramson Thurston Middle School
Hale Outdoor Leadership Training Program	Hale Reservation will develop an outdoor leadership training program with the Westwood High School Outdoor Club providing 40 hours of training with their team building facilitators.	Eric Arnold Hale Reservation
Monkey Helpers: A Spinal Cord Injury Prevention Program	The "Monkey Helpers" presentation will educate the 8th grade class on spinal cord injury prevention and the challenges facing disabled people. This presentation will be part of the Eighth Grade Diversity Day Program. This program will highlight how animals can be trained to help disabled people.	Michelle McHugh Thurston Middle School
Revolutionary War, Encampment and Reenactment	This grant will fund a reenactment of an authentic Revolutionary War Camp. Rehoboth Militia Group will set up interactive tents for grades 3-5 including an Officers Tent, Weapons Tent, Cooking Tent, candle and lead ball making area.	Julianne Nemes Walsh Hanlon School Parent
Art in Motion: Hands-On-Learning for Hanlon Fifth Graders	This grant will provide funding for a science and math project resulting in the creation of an audiokinetic sculpture. Program includes trip to MIT for 5th grade class.	Sylva Yeghiayan Hanlon School Parent
"ONE" Cultural Experience Odaiko New England	"Odaiko New England" Japanese drumming group will perform for the Deerfield school, thereby celebrating our multicultural society through music and rhythm.	Paula Webster Deerfield School Parent

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Educational Series for Early Childhood Educators	Educational series of workshops will be provided to early childhood educators in Westwood and neighboring communities. Workshop topics will include interpreting results identifying and linking assessment data to instructional goals and strategies.	Carol Craig-O'Brien Westwood Early Childhood Education Council

## **2009 Annual Grants**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Recipient</b>
Westwood's Contribution to the Development of Women's Entrepreneurship in Early 19th Century Business	The Westwood Historical Society will develop case studies and other materials to educate Westwood High School students and residents on the subject of women's entrepreneurship in the early 19th century specifically related to Betsy Metcalf Baker.	Nancy Donahue Westwood Historical Society
Sound System for Department of Veterans' Services Ceremonies	This grant will ensure the purchase of a sound system for the Department of Veterans' Services for educational programs including the Memorial Day Program and Wreaths Across America for the Westwood Community.	Paula Scoble Department of Veterans' Services
Hale Reservation Public Program	Hale Reservation will offer many educational programs for the Westwood community including nature studies, family fun and fitness programs while preserving and sharing this natural environment.	Eric Arnold Director, Hale Reservation
"Roosevelt's New Deal"	Presenter, Gary Hylander, Ph. D. will discuss and compare our current economic state with that of the "New Deal" era in a two hour session at the Senior Citizen Center.	Pat Larkin Westwood Council on Aging
In Tune with Strings	The New England Philharmonic will present a concert for the Westwood community stressing the importance of string instruments in symphonic music.	Nancy Hawkins Board of Directors, New England Philharmonic
Community and Social Skills Integration Project	Two six week sessions will be offered to special needs children ages 3-12. Participants will build their social skills through both structured and unstructured activities led by special education teachers and speech pathologists.	Veronica Kane Director, Family Support Services, South Norfolk County ARC

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Grade 4 Science & Social Studies Curriculum Enhancement	Hale Reservation will visit all 4th grade classrooms in Westwood and instruct students on navigation using maps and compasses. Classes will then visit Hale Reservation to apply skills and research rocks and minerals.	Laura Giuliano and Judy Sullivan 4th Grade Teachers, Westwood Public Schools
Expanding the Circle of Support for Mathematics Education	This project will improve the teaching and learning of math in the elementary grades by strengthening the skills of principals and teachers through training sessions and providing workshops for parents.	Nancy Buell Mathematics Curriculum Coordinator, Westwood Public Schools
Mind/Body Training in Positive Psychology	This grant will fund the applicant's tuition to a four day training program regarding cognition and emotional arousal and regulation and training in mind/body strategies. The skills acquired at this conference will be utilized when working with students at Westwood High School.	Todd Danforth School Psychologist, Westwood High School

## **2009 Multi Year Grants**

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Engineering Gateway to the Future, Phase I & II	This project expands the implementation of the Engineering: Gateway to the Future program. This program provides an engineering design experience for every Westwood student grades K-5. Project includes training for 29 teachers and development of pilot program for K-2. Westwood Educational Foundation previously supported pilot engineering program for grades 3-5.	Dr. Avalin Green Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Development, Westwood Public Schools