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Toshiba announces nearly $75,000 for 20 Innovative Classroom STEM Projects

New grant awards from the Toshiba America Foundation to support exciting Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) education programs in grades 6-12

NEW YORK, NY, December 1, 2020-- The Toshiba America Foundation (TAF) today announced nearly $75,000 in grants for 20 innovative classroom STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematic) projects in grades 6-12.

Due to COVID-19 and the shift to remote learning TAF expanded the scope of its grant review process in order to support distance learning and teaching utilizing novel ways to use incorporate hands-on activities such as coding, robotics, remote learning software, and 3D printing. Among them are grants for students to learn and address community issues such as environmental science, engineering, geometry, math, and physics. All novel ways to utilize STEM in the classroom or virtual learning. For example, students at Lyndhurst Middle School in Lyndhurst, NJ will be using 3D printers purchased with Toshiba funds for students to prototype, code, and create 3D print face masks and shields that can be donated to frontline workers, the township police and the members of the local community.

"Science, technology, engineering and mathematics occupations play a key role in the sustained growth and stability of the U.S. economy. STEM education creates critical thinkers, increases science literacy, and enables the next generation of innovators," said TAF President, John Anderson. "The grants make the STEM classroom more exciting for both teachers and students."

Toshiba America Foundation's grants aim to fund projects designed by innovative classroom teachers. This "direct-to-teacher" approach brings immediate results. Teachers are able to enhance the way they teach STEM subjects because the grant supports equipment for hands-on experiments and project based learning in the curriculum. At TAF, we believe that learning STEM subjects is a lot more fun and engaging than just reading a textbook.

STEM educators interested in applying for a K-5 TAF grant please click here (deadline: 10/1) or a 6-12 TAF grant please click here (deadlines; > $5K: 5/1 & 11/1; < $5K: 3/1, 6/1, 9/1, 12/1)

About Toshiba America Foundation

Founded in 1990 with support from Toshiba Corporation and the Toshiba America Group Companies, Toshiba America Foundation (TAF) is a non-profit grant making organization dedicated to helping classroom teachers make STEM learning fun and successful for K to 12 students in U.S. schools. TAF grants support public and nonprofit private schools throughout the United States. For more information, please visit: www.toshiba.com/taf.

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A list of TAF Grant Recipients:

Organization	Teacher	Project Title	$
BENDLE HIGH SCHOOL, BURTON, MI	Jeffrey Long	Understanding Geometry through Robotics	4,990
CARTER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, ARLINGTON, TX	Patricia Runkle	Learning with Legends	4,800
CHOICE LEARNING ACADEMY, PHOENIX, AZ	Patricia Morgan	Assistive Technology Academy	5,000
COLLINS-MAXWELL CSD, MAXWELL, IA	Jamie Waddingham	Designing Dragsters	3,370
EAST COOPER CENTER FOR ADVANCED STUDIES, MT. PLEASANT, SC	Melissa Beyel	Center for Advanced Studies (CAS) Virtual Reality Education Program	4,012
IPREP ACADEMY NORTH, MIAMI, FL	David Buncher	Project iDrone	4,140
JOAQUIN MILLER MIDDLE SCHOOL, SAN JOSE, CA	Debbie Ong	Miller Middle School Request	1,720
KOMAREK SCHOOL DISTRICT, NORTH RIVERSIDE, IL	Victoria Wilson	Pinball Wizards	4,049
LYNDHURST MIDDLE SCHOOL, LYNDHURST, NJ	Jennifer Lambert	Scaling Community Project	3,922
MATH ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE ACADEMY HS, BROOKLYN, NY	Tchnavia Merrick	Building Biodiversity with Bioinformatics	5,000
NORTHWOOD SCHOOL, LAKE PLACID, NY	Jill Walker	Adirondack Wildlife Inventory and Monitoring	4,800
PROVIDENCE SCHOOL, SANTA BARBARA, CA	Rodney Meadth	Mars Rover Robotics Project	4,240
SOUTH MIAMI MIDDLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL, SOUTH MIAMI, FL	Suzanne Banas	Collaborating Virtually to Code a Drone Dance	4,500
SOUTH PLAINFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ	Shanti Kantha-Murray	An Aerial Perspective of our Local Environment	4,360
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL, BALDWIN PARK, CA	Catalina Reyero	A Virtual Lab Called: Labster	4,158
ST. BARNABAS SCHOOL, LONG BEACH, CA	Cicely Izadi	Technology Resource to Support Virtual Learning	2,950
ST. PATRICK'S PARISH SCHOOL, KENT, OH	Julia Tilton	Energy Roller Coaster	200
SULPHUR SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, JONESBOROUGH, TN	Diana O'Neal	The Environment Around Us	4,945
WILLAMETTE HIGH SCHOOL, EUGENE, OR	Bruce Carvalho	The Evidence Doesn't Lie!	3,467
Total			**74,623**