

# Reaching All- Hands on Motivation

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## *Classroom Grant*

### ***Miles Avenue Elementary- Kindergarten Teacher***

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# Application Form

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## Report Fields

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### Project Name\*

Name of project

Reaching All- Hands on Motivation

### Amount Requested

Amount requested on application.

\$1,000.00

### Grade Level

Please select grade level below.

Primary (K-3)

### Primary Subject Area

Please select the primary subject area of your grant.

Language Arts

### School

Please select your school from the list below

Washington Elementary

### Number of Students Served

Please enter the number of students that will be served by this grant.

21

### Project Cost

What is the total cost of your project?

1,000

### Statement of Need

Please describe the need for this project. For example, how will this project impact student learning?

I would like to purchase 2 Apple iPads for my classroom to be used by my students during our literacy block to help motivate and create an exciting way to engage them in differentiated learning using technology! The iPad will allow me to integrate literacy skills seamlessly into the curriculum and provide all students opportunities for individual development and practice. Integration of the iPad will allow me to meet the

needs of a diverse group of learners. Struggling students will receive additional practice and individual intervention using teacher created and selected videos and practice on online sites. Gifted students will engage in enrichment activities on the iPad such as viewing pre-teaching videos and online practice to stretch their learning. Individualized interaction with this technology will allow my students to increase their time on task and maximize their learning. I am writing a grant for the iPad this year because I have seen so much success with the computers in my room and the iPad is an even newer, smaller, more versatile tool of technology! It will add to the success I am already seeing with the computers in my classroom. The size and countless capabilities of the iPad make it an innovative tool of engagement!

## Primary Goal

Please describe the primary goal of the project and how it blends with School District 2 goals and curriculum.

The goal for this project is to enhance student learning by engaging them in differentiated activities on the iPad. Students will have access to apps, videos and games on the iPad that will reinforce essential language arts skills. These apps include activities that develop students' vocabulary using Dolch, and sight words. They also allow students to manipulate letters and chunks to form words, identify letters and sounds and practice phoneme segmentation and handwriting! Students will also have the ability to view and listen to stories to reinforce skills and demonstrate fluency. The Apple iPad offers many current resources that will engage students and allow them to work individually on skills that they need to master to be successful readers.

## Project Description

Briefly identify the major activities and materials involved in your project.

The students in my Kindergarten classroom will use an iPad during our Language Arts Center Time. Each student will be given a task, application game or story to complete on the iPad. The students will go through a rotation to have the iPad for about 20 minutes during center time. They will complete tasks that support phonics, vocabulary development, phonemic awareness, fluency, and comprehension. This technology is a great way to incorporate modern teaching approaches to accommodate various learning styles and increase student interest and engagement!

## Professional Development

If your project includes professional development how will it improve student performance?

n/a

## Project Timeline

When will you implement your project?

I would love to have the iPads for use in the 2014-2015

## Plan for Evaluation

How will you evaluate student outcomes for your project?

I will routinely evaluate and monitor my students to measure growth and progress in reading. I will teach daily reading groups with my students where I will complete a running record on individual students each week. I will DRA test students to assess their reading level, comprehension and fluency 3 times during the school year. My students will also be assessed using DIBELS/AIMS WEB testing 3 times throughout the year. Individual word and phonics assessments will be done quarterly as well.

## Project Budget

Please explain how the funds from this grant will be spent to support your project goal. You can either type or upload a project budget to show how funds will be used. Please identify other funding sources if applicable.

2- Apple iPads- \$399.00 each  
or 3 Apple iPad Mini's if I can get the extra now within the budget

\$202.00 to be used to purchase apps and covers

\$798.00

\$202.00

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\$1,000

## Supervisor Approval\*

I have received approval from my supervisor to apply for this grant.

yes

## Attachment 1

Please attach any photos, pages from catalogs, or other documents below. This is completely optional.

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## Attachment 2

*[Unanswered]*

## Attachment 3

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# File Attachment Summary

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## *Applicant File Uploads*