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Foundation Awards \$200 Mini Grants to Support Students and Educators

Carson City, Nev. (Feb. 16, 2021) — The Carson City School District, on behalf of the [Carson City Schools Foundation](#) (CCSF), is pleased to announce another round of \$200 mini grant winners for Spring 2021. Each semester, CCSF gives back to educators and students alike.

The Spring 2021 \$200 mini-grant winners include the following alphabetically by school:

- **Candi Ruf**, Carson High School: To support participation of community partners and students in the upcoming virtual Career Fair
- **Anne Marie Aydelott**, Carson Middle School: Purchasing Turing Tumbles and puzzle books to support problem solving and general interest in math/computer science
- **Kiersten Piekarz**, Carson Middle School: Implement a school-wide 12-week tiered reading incentive program
- **Joshlyn Jensen**, Empire Elementary School: Adding flexible seating to her classroom
- **Camilla Jorst**, Empire Elementary School: To support the upcoming "Week of Kindness" by implementing "Watch Kindness Grow" a school-wide planting and read-aloud activity
- **Laura Ricks**, Empire Elementary School: To purchase books for a teacher book club
- **Susan Squires**, Empire Elementary School: Building a sensory path on the playground
- **Jonathan Chang**, Fremont Elementary School: To purchase ukuleles for the school's music program
- **Gina Hoppe**, Fritsch Elementary School: Increase math performance by incentivizing students to utilize ST Math
- **Beth Jones & Adrienne Turner**, Mark Twain Elementary School: Creating a painted bike bath for Pre-K students
- **Jackie Smith**, Seeliger Elementary School: To provide nutritious snacks for an after-school program for English Learners

CCSF is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting community involvement and investment in the public schools of Carson City. This project is one of the many results of the ["Empower Carson City 2022" Strategic Plan](#) – a five-year strategic plan for extraordinary schools built by the community of Carson City.

CCSF was created to increase student achievement through philanthropic investment and involvement. Established by the Carson City School District's Board of Trustees, the foundation promotes education programs that traditional funding sources may not be able to reach.

For more information about the CCSF, please visit ccschoolsfoundation.org. To make a contribution with your credit card, go to ccschoolsfoundation.org/campaigns/donations/. To view an informational video, please [click here](#).

ABOUT Carson City School District

Located in Nevada's capital, Carson City School District offers public education to approximately 7,800 students throughout Carson City. The district includes 6 elementary schools, 2 middle schools, 1 alternative high school and 1 comprehensive high school. Carson City School District boasts many successes including impressive graduation rates, strict safety measures, programs for gifted students and advanced-placement classes, among several others. In a joint venture with Western Nevada College, the Carson City School District Jump Start College program allows students to complete their senior year of high school and freshman year of college simultaneously. For more information, visit carsoncityschools.com.