

# 2016-2017 GRANTS

The Kettering Education Foundation (KEF) awarded teacher grants to 27 Kettering educators for the 2016-2017 school year: 20 new grants and 7 renewals. KEF is pleased to sponsor these teachers for their innovative classroom ideas.

Art teacher Kristin Mitchell will be working with third grade students at Indian Riffle Elementary School (IR) to create large mural paintings of famous artworks. These paintings will be used as a backdrop for **THE LIVING MURALS** performance, a cross-curricular collaboration with the music and physical education teachers.

Lindsay Gustafson will continue her **SILKWORM FARMING AND NEEDLE FELTING** with sixth grade art students at Kettering Middle School (KMS), helping students make connections between art and science.

At Van Buren Middle School (VB), Carol Harris and her sixth grade language arts students will explore the concept of change in our world and how it affects them by studying fiction and nonfiction from the Civil Rights Movement, culminating in a multimedia presentation: **EYES WIDE OPEN, A STUDY OF CHANGE USING 21ST CENTURY SKILLS**.

Christy Kremer's fourth graders at JE Prass Elementary School (Prass) will continue to learn real world math skills and financial literacy in **THE MATH SPOT**.

At Oakview Elementary School (Oakview) second grade students in Jodee Ball's class will use the **LADIBUG DOCUMENT CAMERA** to help students focus on logical and mathematical thinking, including spatial construction and problem-solving.

Beavertown Elementary School (Beavertown) teacher Rodney Carver's students will be engaged with their new **INNOVATION STATION**, a location that promotes collaboration, communication, and problem-solving as students create products, tackle problems and devise inquiry strategies.

At Fairmont High School (FHS), the AP/IB juniors will use **NONFICTION READING WITH A LITERATURE CONNECTION** to develop skills across content areas. Three English teachers—Emily Bruzzese, Ryan Lamb and Kelsey Mann—will help their students learn How to Read Literature Like a Professor.

**SNAP CIRCUITS**, an electronics discovery kit, will give Amy Lokai's fourth grade students at Prass hands-on experience with the physical science standards while designing and building models of working electrical circuits.

Southdale Elementary School music teacher Adam Depew will expand his K-5 music program with **MARIMBA MOJO!** The addition of marimbas will provide the opportunity for students to play a multitude of styles included in the state and national standards.

VB's Jeffrey Bohaboy will help his career/industrial arts students go from a thought to a sketch to a 3D model in the virtual world to an actual object with his **3D PRINTING** project.

John F. Kennedy Elementary School's Ann Muth will be **TEACHING SOCIAL STUDIES THROUGH CHILDREN'S LITERATURE**, pairing fiction and nonfiction texts to teach the social studies standards.

MaryEllen Sage will continue with **HANDS-ON MATH IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL**, introducing

and reviewing math concepts with her sixth graders at KMS.

**PRESCHOOL BOOK BUDDIES** will help inspire a love of books for Bridget Shampton's second graders at IR while increasing their knowledge and understanding of oral vocabulary, developing reading fluency and improving their social skills.

**CODING WITH DASH AND DOT** will be a new program for Kimberly Ulrich's third grade students at Orchard Park Elementary School. Students will program robots to play music, connect blocks, and learn code and computer science skills.

Patricia Taylor's English students at FHS will continue to make **REAL WORLD CONNECTIONS THROUGH RIGOROUS FREE READING CHOICES**. This project will provide challenging reading materials beyond the curriculum, adding rigor to help students meet state standards and to increase their overall reading levels, benefiting them in all subjects.

Using interactive child/parent texts, Prass first graders in Carrie Henry's class will improve reading skills with **WE BOTH READ**, working on fluency, comprehension and vocabulary.

FHS teacher Laura Heitz will start a **TRANSITION ART AND MODEL CLUB** for adult students at Barnes to help them develop functional life skills including employability, transportation, money management and recreation.

Trisha Himes, KMS social studies teacher, will help her eighth grade students explore **COLONIAL DAYS**, focusing on evaluating primary sources to gain a better understanding of the American colonial period.

At VB, Jill Spurlin will continue to use the **STEM PROJECTS IN THE SCIENCE 8 CURRICULUM** to engage students by solving real world problems like

earthquake-proof buildings, rocks as building materials, water and soil testing, and dye capacity in fabrics.

With **LEARNING THROUGH A LENS**, Kim Seitter will help her Oakview students develop their language arts skills by using a document camera to enable students to identify text features: headings, subheadings, glossary, index, italicized words and table of contents.

Students in Beth Frederick's fifth grade class at IR will blend language arts and science with graphic novels and nonfiction texts, using resources to produce summaries, to compare and contrast, and to write essays with this **SUPER SCIENCE READING AND WRITING** project.

At FHS Stephen McDonald's social studies students will learn **REAL WORLD STOCK MARKET INVESTING**, exploring the basics of how to invest in the stock market and how to evaluate various companies while sparking an interest in personal finance and planning for their future.

**3D PRINTING IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSROOM** will enable the career/industrial arts students of KMS teacher Allison Mittelkamp to design and model a light switch cover, using measurement, problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

**CREATING A TINKERING SPACE TO EXPLORE THE ENGINEERING DESIGN PROCESS AND STEM CAREERS** sums up Joseph Duncan's project for his seventh graders at VB. Students will use the space to design and simulate a project through scientific inquiry, utilizing the engineering design process.

Sharon Tolle's eighth grade language arts students at KMS will continue **KEEPING IT REAL** as they explore biographies and memoirs to improve their reading strategies.

## FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Each year the Kettering Education Foundation offers several scholarships. This year, on behalf of donors, KEF awarded scholarships to 10 deserving Fairmont graduating seniors.



### Chase Hale Scholarship

**Jacob Montgomery**

University of Cincinnati (Aerospace Engineering)

The Chase Hale Scholarship is dedicated to the memory of T. Chase Hale who was a 2002 graduate of Kettering Fairmont High School, captain of both his swimming and tennis teams, and died in an automobile accident in 2007. The scholarship is awarded to a member of the swimming team nominated by the coaches.



### James Lockwood Scholarship

**Nicholas Jump**

Attending Loyola University (Communications)

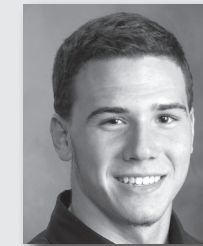
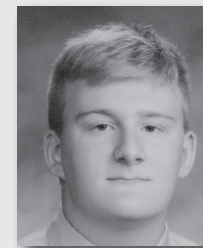
The James Lockwood Scholarship was established at the wishes of James Lockwood, who was killed by a drunken driver in a traffic accident just days before deploying for service in Iraq. The scholarship is designed to award a graduating senior member of the Fairmont Track and Field program who has exhibited significant love and spirit for this sport.

### Cheryl Abraham Memorial Scholarship

**Charles Nickles**

Ohio University (Law)

The Cheryl Abraham Memorial Scholarship was created to honor the memory of Fairmont counselor, Cheryl Abraham, a tireless and dedicated advocate for high school students.



### John Pitstick Memorial Scholarship

**Wesley Ewing**

Wittenberg University (Middle School Math Education)

The John Pitstick Memorial Scholarship was created to honor the spirit and memory of 1978 Fairmont West graduate and varsity football player, John Pitstick. The scholarship is awarded to a student athlete planning to major in education.

### Chief's Scholarship

**Adam Duffy**

The Ohio State University (English Education)

The Chief's Scholarship was founded to continue the bond between fathers and their sons/daughters established in the Indian (Adventure) Guide and Princess Programs sponsored by the Kettering South Community YMCA. Graduates of the program who are graduating seniors may apply.



### Kesling Family Scholarship

**Jackson Matevia**

University of Cincinnati (Political Science)

The Kesling Family Scholarship was established by former Metropolitan Opera mezzo-soprano and Kettering Fairmont grad, Diane Kesling and her brothers Robert and David, to honor their parents, Betty Kesling Smith and Devon Kesling. Betty and Devon were both Kettering graduates and active participants in the music program. Betty was also a music teacher in the Kettering City Schools until her retirement.

### Christopher "Smitty" Smith Scholarship

**Alex Decker**

Accepted to the United States Military Academy (Business)

The Smitty (Christopher Smith) Scholarship is offered in memory of Christopher Stephen Smith, a 2001 graduate who died unexpectedly in 2008 from complications related to injuries sustained while serving in the United States Army in Afghanistan. The scholarship awards a member of the Fairmont Baseball team who demonstrates strong team spirit.



### Kettering Jaycees Foundation Scholarship

**Cameron Kennison & Jacob Scherer**

Ohio Technical College (Cameron) Lincoln Tech (Jacob)

The Kettering Jaycees Scholarship was established by the Kettering Jaycees Foundation to assist Fairmont seniors who are graduating from the Automotive Trades Program. The award is a one-year scholarship given to a student who is active in the community and school and recommended by his or her teachers for this scholarship award.

### Cookie" Weeks Scholarship

**Emily Hughes**

Capital University (Physical Therapist)

Retired Kettering teacher, Elizabeth "Cookie" Weeks, established the "Cookie" Weeks Scholarship for a graduating Fairmont senior who was a graduate of Ms. Week's Beavertown Elementary class and who has a combination of a high GPA, and demonstrated involvement in school and community activities.



### Sally Roush Brown Scholarship

**Adam Duffy**

The Ohio State University (English Education)

The Sally Roush Brown Scholarship was established to pay tribute to former teacher and Kettering Board of Education member, Sally Roush Brown. The Brown family developed this scholarship for a graduating senior at Fairmont who has exhibited leadership qualities.

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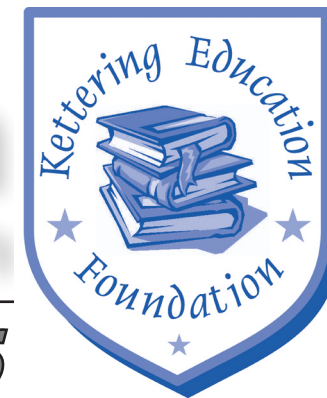
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Today we continue this mission by sponsoring a competitive grant program through which Kettering classroom teachers are able to initiate innovative and creative projects to enhance learning for their students. On behalf of donors, KEF also manages several scholarship funds that award several thousand dollars annually to graduating Kettering Fairmont High School seniors.

### What We've Been Up To

For the 2015-16 school year, 20 teachers received classroom grants of up to \$1,000 each. For 2016-17, 27 teachers were selected. Read about the 2016-17 projects on the next page and follow the progress of those projects on the Kettering Education Foundation Facebook Page as the school year unfolds.

In May, KEF presented scholarships to 11 outstanding Kettering Fairmont graduating seniors. Information about scholarships and this year's recipients appears on Page 3 of this year's annual report.

Since its inception, the Kettering Education Foundation has raised more than \$300,000 and awarded more than 300 grants. Funds raised have helped the Kettering Education Foundation achieve its vision — to provide support for the Kettering School District's efforts to be an innovative leader in K-12 education throughout the Miami Valley.

### In Memory and In Honor

KEF receives many gifts given in memory of a loved one, friend or colleague who has died or in honor of someone with a special connection to the Kettering City Schools. Here is a list of those remembered or honored this past fiscal year.

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You may also go to the Kettering Education Foundation website at <http://www.ketteringeducationfoundation.org/>. Click on "Donate" at the top of the page for instructions on how to donate including how to make a gift online.

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Your gifts enable us to provide the educators in the Kettering School District with funding for critical and innovative programs that have truly made a difference in their classrooms. We are deeply indebted to you for your support and encouragement. Thank you for helping us in our efforts to achieve "Excellence in Education through Philanthropy."

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