

Allocations Overview for prior year 2008-2009

The Allocations Committee met on **June 3, 2009** and recommends the allocation for the following items:

1) Science

J. Yi has requested reimbursement for new lab subjects used for dissection (and associated Dissection Guide) for her IB Biology Higher level class. J. Yi purchased the lab subjects herself to correspond with study of digestion, reproduction and excretion. The new lab subjects were considered a more appropriate dissection specimen than the prior lab subjects.

2) AVID

C. Subherwal requested funding for her and K. Dang to attend AVID Training and Professional Development on August 12 and 13, 2009. The workshop is run by the Department of Education and fulfills the certification requirement for AVID teachers.

3) Technical Education

D. Shell requested funding to purchase two (2) 100 foot rolls of photo paper for the Visual Imagery class. Projects for other departments (staff photos, "Every 15 Minutes", etc.) have depleted Dan's supplies.

4) Technology

Al Marzilli requested funding to aid D. Beverly and his assistant for their support of the school's technology needs.

5) General Use

Al Marzilli requests funding for the student agendas for next school year. This is an annual allocation made by the Ed Fund.

The Allocations Committee met on **April 1, 2009** and recommends the allocation for the following items:

1) Science

M. Rizza requested funding to purchase 50 biology subjects for dissection in the 6 Honors Biology classes; lab groups consist of 4 students per biology subject.

2) English

J. Kasper requested funding to support the annual portfolio assessment activity. The allocation includes funding for the required substitute teachers and a donation/fee to the site used for the assessment.

3) Visual and Performing Arts

C. Dehn requested funding to make the final payment on the Digital mixer and necessary coordinating equipment the department recently purchased. The Ed Fund's previous allocation covered the mixer but not the related equipment. Although the Site Council had hoped to cover the extra cost, they were unable to do so.

The Allocations Committee met on **February 6, 2009** and recommends the allocation for the following items:

1) **Math**

K. Chittenden requested funding for a 215 license web-based math tutoring program to help prepare students for the CAHSEE test. Revolution Prep:CAHSEE is a tutoring and assessment tool from a vendor known at Foothill for their SAT Prep program. Kyle has negotiated a 25% with this vendor after reviewing many other programs.

2) **English**

E. Brunasso requested funding to purchase pre-AP curriculum for English 2 Honors classes to be shared with Mr. Hermanson. This curriculum can be used for years, aligns both Honors classes and develops student's close reading skills. The curriculum includes 12 pre-AP units.

3) **Math**

J. Cutler requested funding to renew the Hotmath on-line math help program for another calendar year. This Hotmath site supports Algebra I and II, Geometry and Calculus AB and BC students. In the last year, 25,980 solutions have been viewed.

4) **Library**

C. Dietz requested funding to replace the computer mice (with rolling balls) with optical mice since the rolling balls are continually removed and lost by students.

5) **Instrumental Music**

G. Waibel requested funding to purchase a Sony PCM D50 portable digital recorder because the traditional condenser mics are no longer available for the existing technology.

6) **Instrumental Music**

G. Waibel requested funding for new guitar, bass and keyboard amps since current amps are non-working or beginning to fail.

The Allocations Committee met on **December 5, 2008** and recommended the allocations for the following items:

1) **English**

C. Subherwal requested funding to attend the California Association of Teachers of English (CATE) conference in February. The allocation covers conference registration and a substitute teacher.

The Allocations Committee met on **November 5, 2008** and recommended the allocations for the following items:

1) **Art**

A. Rausch requested funding for two new pottery wheels, one motor conversion kit and one wheel head to replace a broken one. This purchase will give him enough total wheels to prevent students

from having to wait for a wheel and therefore be unproductive.

2) Foreign Language

J. Cogan requested funding to allow D. Anthony, T. Chilingirian, M. Farrell and herself to attend a full-day COACH development workshop on December 4th. This workshop is local and considered the best available.

3) Choral

C. Dehn requested funding to replace the analog mixer used for ‘Knights on Broadway’ and other school performances. The current analog mixer is in disrepair and cannot be used for the next spring’s ‘Knights on Broadway’ performance. She is requesting funding for a new digital mixer that can be used for years to come. EdFund approved approx. 79% of the cost with the expectation that the 21% remainder can be funded by the Choral Booster organization or Site Council.

4) Journalism

J. McDermott requested funding for 2 Dell desktop computers and 8 flat screen monitors to be used in the production of KnightLife. The campus paper is 8 pages long and today she only has 6 computers which makes layout of the paper more difficult and time consuming. This purchase will enable her students to lay out the paper more efficiently.

5) Video Productions

D. Beverly is requested funding for 10 high stools for the Video Editing Stations. The stations are tall and the current stools are not ergonomic for the students that spend significant time at the stations.

6) School

V. Owens requested funding for the annual subscription fee for Turnitin.com, which the Ed Funds pays for each year.

7) Career Center

D. Cuzens requested funding for the annual subscription fee for Bridges Software Choices Planner, which the Ed Funds pays for each year.

8) Research and Tech

A. Paterson requested funding for a substitute teacher for 3 days while she chaperones the dance team during their national dance competition in Orlando, FL.

9) Yearbook

A. Patterson requested funding for a Color Printer to print proofs of the yearbook pages and necessary pictures, and for ink cartridges. We have attached a ‘not to exceed’ limit on this funding because we believe the printer and ink can be acquired for less.

10) Visual Art

J. Gillette requested funding to replace the Data Projector in his classroom because the video import connections have failed. Mr. Gillette needs a projector with those import connections, and the current projector can be used by another department without need of those connections.

The Allocations Committee met on **October 1, 2008** and recommended the following allocations:

1) **World Languages**

S. Plunkett requested funding for a LCD projector and Laptop computer for her classroom. Hers is one the few remaining classrooms without a projector and Laptop computer; many of the laptops and projectors for other classrooms have been purchased by the Ed Fund.

2) **Math**

S. Hughes requested TI-Smartview software that allows the Math department to project the image of a graphing calculator on the classroom screen. The Smartview software will allow teachers to instruct students on the use of their calculators while solving problems. The software will emulate the common calculators used by students. Ms. Hughes has requested multiple licenses of the Smartview software for the math department.

3) **Math**

M. Hughes has requested reimbursement for the single license she purchased to evaluate the special TI-Smartview software.

4) **Library**

C. Dietz has requested to cover the entrance fee to attend the conference “What’s New in Young Adult Literature” on a non-student day in October (10/31/08) in order to keep up to date with literature trends and strategies to promote student reading. Ms. Dietz will pay for her own transportation expenses.

5) **English**

J. Kasper has requested funds for the department to supplement classroom libraries by granting \$100 for each teacher to spend on new books. This is an allocation that the Ed Fund supports annually; funds unused roll over to the next year.

6) **English / OCAD**

K. Schwab and S. Plunkett have requested funding for materials for the current Academic Decathlon topic of Latin America. This is an allocation that the Ed Fund supports annually because the materials change each year.

7) **Science**

J. Yi has requested funds to purchase a Wireless USB tablet that will enable her to project images drawn on the tablet to the classroom projection screen. Instead of having to be near the projector, she can walk around the room while still projecting on to the screen.

8) **Science**

J. Yi has requested funding for 20 stopwatches used in various labs where exact times must be recorded. Without the stopwatches, students must use the wall clock making it difficult to watch both the time and the experiment in progress.

9) **Social Science**

M. Knowlton has requested funding for a ‘buzzer system’ that allows her students to participate in a game type of review when preparing for tests. A similar system is used by another Social Science teacher and is very conducive to student learning.

The Allocations Committee met on **September 3, 2008** and recommended the allocations for the following items:

1) **Art / Ceramics Class**

A. Rausch requested funding for 34 stools for his Ceramics class to be that is held in the Woodshop. The purpose is to provide students with a specific workspace and a place to sit. No stools exist today.

2) **Technology / Yearbook**

On behalf of A. Patterson (Yearbook), D. Beverly has requested funding for Adobe software to aid in developing the Foothill yearbook. For the yearbook specifically, the software programs needed are Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator for a multi-user site license for the entire Adobe CS3 Master Collection suite which will include Photoshop, Illustrator and other programs for video editing, graphics, and desktop publication.