



MINI GRANT APPLICATION

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MINI-GRANT PROPOSAL

The Very Merry Month of MO!
Mini-Grant Project Title

1261.20
Total Budget Request

PROJECT SUMMARY to be presented to the Review Committee:

- (1) Elaborate on your project. Describe the impact on your students and any other affected population. Describe your implementation plan, including an approximate project schedule. Include methods and necessary materials or other expenditures.**

For the past four years, the kindergarten team has presented the “Elephant and Piggie Extravaganza” toward the end of the school year. That day is so special that we have decided to stretch the fun to an entire month. Mo Willems is the most beloved author we read in kindergarten and we want to appreciate all of his works.

All six of the kindergarten classes will be involved in the activities. Families and friends are invited to the extravaganza to see performances by the students and to attend a celebration afterward.

In the days and weeks following the extravaganza, guest readers (family members of the students and members of the community) will be invited to share their readings of Mo Willems books.

We plan to create activities to go along with all of Mo Willems’ books (Model Magic pigeon bobble head pencil toppers, Knuffle Bunny scenes on foam boards, yearbooks based on A Busy Creature’s Day Eating, etc.).

- (2) What are the educational objectives of this project? How will you determine that these objectives have been achieved?**

The project will involve all academic areas including eighteen weeks (one period per special cycle) working with the librarian on STEAM related activities.

- (3) Approximately how many students and what grade levels will be directly involved with this project? Will other students or community members be affected indirectly? Explain your numbers (e.g. 25 students present project to an audience of 80).**

Our project will directly involve the Kindergarten students (120 students). Our project will also involve the families of these students, including siblings, and community members.

- (4) Detail your budget request. Be specific: special materials, honoraria, computer software, film, food, essential transportation costs, etc.**

<u>Item</u>	<u>Source/Supplier</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Yearbooks	Lion Works Printing	120	3.00	360.00
Foam Boards	Lion Works Printing			
Rug	Demco	3	299.99	899.97
Model Magic-white	Michaels	2		
Model Magic-colors	Michaels	6		
GRAND TOTAL (must match total budget request on page 1)				1261.20

ADDENDUM:

The Very Merry Month of MO!

Mini-Grant Project Title

1260.00

Total Budget Request

PROJECT SUMMARY to be presented to the Review Committee:

- (1) Elaborate on your project. Describe the impact on your students and any other affected population. Describe your implementation plan, including an approximate project schedule. Include methods and necessary materials or other expenditures.**

The Kindergarten team would complete an author's study of Mo Willems during the month of May. Throughout the month long study, students will be exposed to various books by Mo Willems and the students will complete projects that correspond with different stories by Mo Willems. Throughout this month students will learn to draw Mo Willems characters, use clay to sculpt Pigeons, create story boards similar to Knuffle Bunny, write their own Elephant and Piggie books, and create a yearbook based on A Busy Creature's Day Eating. Also throughout the month of May, families of students will be invited to come to school to be guest readers.

- (2) What are the educational objectives of this project? How will you determine that these objectives have been achieved?**

The objective of this project is to develop students' love of reading while building their literacies in all academic areas. Students' engagement in each activity will help teachers

determine the effectiveness of the project. Also as a project wrap up, students will create a video that discusses their favorite Mo Willems book. Student responses will also help teachers monitor value of our project.

(3) Approximately how many students and what grade levels will be directly involved with this project? Will other students or community members be affected indirectly? Explain your numbers (e.g. 25 students present project to an audience of 80).

Our project will directly involve the 120 Kindergarten students in our school. Each student will get to actively participate in each of the activities. In addition, families of each student will be invited to school to be guest readers and will get to view the projects their child has completed.

(4) Detail your budget request. Be specific: special materials, honoraria, computer software, film, food, essential transportation costs, etc.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Source/Supplier</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Yearbooks	Lion Works Printing	120	3.00	360.00
Foam Boards	Lion Works Printing	10	10	100.00
Books	Scholastic/ First Book	60	5	300.00
Story Enhancements	Barnes and Noble	20	25.00	500.00
GRAND TOTAL (must match total budget request on page 1)				1260.00

