2019-2020 Grant Awards

1. **Community Building Club** - Opportunity for this Sibley club to make area community service connections with two volunteer trips.
2. **Representative Literature Committee** - Funds for middle grade and young adult literature that represents the life experiences of our non-dominant populations.
3. **Giant National Geographic Society Maps** - Exciting and engaging room sized maps that are stored at GEMS, but available for district use.
4. **Capstone Musical** – Support for Moreland’s 4th grade annual community musical that is an important part of their arts integration programming.
5. **Native Language Literacy Class** - Developing language speaking, reading, writing and math skills by empowering families to use Native Spanish language skills with near weekly off-campus classes. This successful GEMS program is in its fifth year.
6. **Otoacoustic Auditory Emissions Hearing Screening Device** - A more accurate machine to test for hearing loss in early childhood screening.
7. **Venier Go Direct Temperature Probes** –Microscopes for Sibley’s 9th grade science students that allow for wireless lab collection and graphical analysis.
8. **Middle School Art Visiting Artists** – Funds for visiting professional artists to share their real working skills with Heritage and Friendly students.
9. **Youth Enrichment Scholarship** – Establishment of a fund for students who have financial need and want to participate in After-School Youth Enrichment Classes.
10. **Avid Literacy Project** – Books for the Sibley Senior Service Learning Project to raise awareness of the South Sudan water crisis.
11. **S.M.A.R.T. Incorporating Purposeful Movement to Optimize Learning Readiness** -Program that uses occupational therapy techniques to reinforce and neurologically solidify reading skills
12. **Healthy Cooking Class** - SAC Summer Camp classes that will teach hands-on healthy cooking techniques and encourage better dietary lifestyle choices.
13. **Minds in the Middle Recreation Time and Attendance Incentives** –Movement break supplies and attendance incentives for this Heritage summer program.
14. **Energizing Environmental Scientists** – Resources that complement lessons on renewable and nonrenewable energies for the 4th graders at GEMS.
15. **Avid ACT Preparation** - Improve students ACT scores with a text that will help prepare 9-11 graders for their ACT assessment.
16. **Orbit Earth Expo** - A unique and interactive STEM non-school day activity for community education groups and the Parks and Recreation programs of Mendota Heights, West St. Paul and South St. Paul to explore relationships between the earth, moon and sun.
17. **Communication For All** - Augmentative and alternative communication technology to help students with limited ability to communicate.
18. **ipad Compatible Microscopes and Microscope Cameras** – Technology and scientific resources for students at Heritage to investigate real world questions in their science classrooms. Collaboration is already happening with the U of MN on area water quality and will be shared with the community, city and county.