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Houston County Heritage Foundation Awards Grants



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – The Houston County Heritage Foundation is in the process of awarding grants to benefit six schools. The next check will be presented to Hilltop Elementary on Jan. 12, at 4:00 p.m. Linwood Elementary will receive an award on Jan. 19, at 4:00 p.m.

Hilltop Elementary will receive \$1,000 for its Delve into Digital project submitted by Heather Riley. Linwood Elementary will receive \$1,000 for Literacy Bags, submitted by Jessica Chandler. Houston County High and Veterans High will also receive \$407.13 for their Music in the French

Classroom project, submitted by Jennifer Bowers (date to be determined).

Mossy Creek Middle received \$1,000 toward building a school barn. The grant application was submitted by Principal Paige Busbee for the school's FFA program. Northside Elementary received \$960 for its Science eLABoration project, submitted by Beth Sciarro (center) and Angie Herbel (right). They are pictured receiving the grant from Ellie Loudermilk, a Heritage Foundation Board member.

“Thanks to all of the teachers and others who contributed to the Heritage Foundation,” exclaimed Sciarro. “I never expected to be a recipient when I gave a donation at our system’s opening session in July, so it was a pleasant surprise when the grant was awarded to Northside Elementary School. The funds will be used to purchase science equipment to set up a science lab. Hands-on science experiences are highly motivating and quickly capture and hold the attention of students. We all know, though, that science equipment is very expensive. With this grant, our Northside Elementary students will be able to improve scientific understandings and develop skills in using scientific tools through hands-on experiences. Having the necessary materials available will make all the difference in the world to our students. Thanks again to all who contributed to the Heritage Foundation!”

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The mission of the Houston County Heritage Foundation is to support public education in Houston County. Contributions are tax-deductible, and 100 percent of donations are given to teachers and schools.

Heritage Foundation Board members are: Shaw Blackmon, Dave Crockett, Ed Dyson, Barbara Griffin, Michael Loden, Melanie Loggins, Bill Loudermilk, Ellie Loudermilk, Stephanie Phillips and Sandy Smith.

To make a tax-deductible contribution, one may mail a check or donate online with a credit or debit card. Checks may be mailed to: Houston County Heritage Foundation, P.O. Box 1850, Perry, GA 31069.

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