



Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation

Name of School: Richland Elementary Date: 12/26/19

Name of GLCS Foundation Liaison: Karen Koets

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Is this a student, staff or general (material) grant? staff grant / general grant

Grade Level(s) Impacted: K - 12 No. of Students Served by Grant: 1,800

Approvals:

	Signature	Approval	Denial
Building Liaison	<i>K Koets</i>		n.a.
Building Principal	<i>D. Buckenmaier</i>	<i>✓ DB</i>	
Director of Curriculum	<i>Jim Vail</i>	<i>1/7/20</i>	
Other (if applicable)			

All Applications must include the following:

- ☒ A detailed description of the program or materials these funds will support
- ☒ Explanation of the critical need for this program, project or material
- ☒ Complete Budget Worksheet with appropriate schedules attached
- ☒ Explanation of how you will recognize the contribution by the Foundation
 Example: labels, parent letters, staff meeting
- ☐ Student grants must have written recommendation from a GL Community Schools teacher.

Administrator Comments:



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Single-Year Grant Budget Worksheet

EXPENSES	
Equipment	
Supplies	
Registration	
Other (specify) <i>travel + meals</i>	<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>artist fees</i>	<i>\$1,800.00</i>
Total Expenses	<i>\$2,100.00</i>

OTHER SUPPORTING FUNDS	
Individual contributions	
Fundraising events and products	
In-kind support (donated products, other gifts)	
PTO contributions	
Other (Example: Application for other grants) <i>Perf. Arts Foundation</i>	<i>\$1,050.00</i>
Total Support	<i>\$1,050.00</i>

Total Amount of Funding Requested from GLCS Foundation \$ 1,050.00

Please answer the following questions:

1. Is this grant application aligned with district, school and/or your professional goals?
If yes, please briefly explain.

yes, supports language arts and fine arts benchmarks.

2. Have you secured or applies for outside supporting funds? If so, please explain.

yes, have applied for half from Perf. Arts Foundation

3. Has the GLCS Foundation funded this for you or anyone else in your building in the past? If so, when?

yes, annually since 2005

4. Please briefly explain the critical need for these funds.

please see attachments

5. Please indicate from the list below how you will recognize the GLCS Foundation.

☒ Provide the GLCS Foundation logo with photos and/or video.

☐ Use the GLCS Foundation logo in your classroom newsletter with description of the grant award.

☒ Article for the Communicator

☐ _____

6. If awarded, how will you acknowledge the grant in your building and/or within the district?

Article in the Communicator.

SPRING SPOKEN-WORD ARTIST RESIDENCY

12/27/19

Karen Koets & Robin Nott Grant Request Overview:

Since 2005, the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation, the Gull Lake Fine Arts Foundation, and the Gull Lake Education Association have co-sponsored a spoken-word artistic residency in our school district each spring. Our children have benefitted from the rich language arts experience of being live audience to such world-class storytellers as Jay O'Callahan, Donald Davis, Len Cabral, Barbra Shutzgruber, Lynette Ford, Mary Hamilton, Yvonne Healy, La Ron Williams, Angela Lloyd, and regional performance poetry duo's Kinetic Affect and Luunappi. These dynamic artists have modeled the power and artistry of the live spoken word for students of all ages; they have provided master classes for our unique high school Oral Tradition classes, inspired our students to be better listeners, and enchanted family audiences at our Spring Festival of the Senses. This tradition continues to be a distinctive listening and learning opportunity for our entire educational community, a rich literacy experience for all ages.

This year we are requesting to continue this wonderful tradition by hosting Patrick Foley, a wonderfully creative and dedicated storyteller/ musician from Grand Rapids, Michigan. Patrick has been a Fine Arts educator for over 35 years, enriching the lives of children through both Theatre and Language Arts (storytelling). Patrick is a "rather jolly old elf," who will enchant our young audiences by providing a three day storytelling residency in our schools this spring from May 13-15. Patrick will reach the complete range of ages with wonderful live oral tradition and folk music concerts. Drawing on stories from both personal and cultural narrative, and accompanying himself with autoharp, guitar, and percussion, Patrick will delight and inspire our school audiences. Patrick Foley is another living example of oral tradition educating, inspiring, and entertaining all ages with the power, wonder, heritage, music, and beauty of the live spoken word. Patrick will illuminate our "first language" (storytelling) once again for the children of our district, with story concerts in each of our elementary schools, the home school center, and Ryan Intermediate school, middle school and high school, reaching over 1,600 students with a total of six concerts over three days.

Children in the Gull Lake Community Schools have grown up with this experience, students in high school comment on their experience since early elementary school with our wonderful visiting storytellers. What a gift this has been for our students and teachers! For well over a decade now, The Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation, The Gull Lake Fine Arts Foundation, and the G.L.E.A. have co-sponsored these spoken word artist events for our school community. The G.L.E.A. will no longer be able to contribute to this project. There will be a follow-up feature article about both our spring spoken word artist tradition, and Patrick Foley, in the spring Gull Lake Schools Communicator.

We wish to thank you for your continued interest and support of this distinctive literacy arts experience for our children!

Visit Patrick Foley's website: www.patrickfoley.me, and You Tube "Patrick Foley—Storyteller," for more information about this master artist.

"The shortest distance between two people, is a story"

Thank you for your consideration,
Robin Nott & Karen Koets

EXPENSES

Artist fees for six 55 minute concerts (one concert per district building)
\$1,800

Travel and meals stipend **\$300.00**

Artist will commute daily from Grand Rapids, there will be no lodging expenses.

Total expenses: **\$2,100.00**

FUNDING SOURCES

Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation grant funding request
\$1,050.00

Gull Lake Fine Arts Foundation grant funding request
\$1,050.00

Total funding from two sources:
\$2,100.00

of the human
experience.

Patrick Foley

Storytelling

& traditional music

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