

WELCOME TO THE MONTHLY GRANT OPPORTUNITIES UPDATE

"The difference between the ordinary and the extraordinary is the little extra."

Spring is in the air and by now we are all hopefully recovering from the FCAT's and Spring Break!



Congratulations to Mrs. Josephine Stone of the Louise R. Johnson Middle School of International Studies. Mrs. Stone wrote an award-winning grant for her new *"Chime In With Us!"* program. If your school is writing grants, fill out a Grant Application Form (GAF) so that we can share your successes. The GAF is posted on the Adult, Career & Technical Education Department (ACT) website under News, Grant Opportunities Update at <http://act.manateeschools.net/documents/grants/grant.html>.

Also, give me a call if you are interested in learning more about grant writing. I would like to schedule an informal summer training if there is a need. Thanks again for all that you do!

– Melissa Schwab, Grant Resource Specialist, ph: 708-8770 ext. 2226

ADOPT-A-CLASSROOM

Purpose: This non-profit organization partners donors with teachers/classrooms. By registering, the classroom will be posted on the Adopt-A-Classroom website available for donors to select. When adopted, the teacher will have full discretion to purchase items for classroom needs through a list of approved vendors.

Contact: <http://www.adoptaclassroom.org>

CVS CAREMARK COMMUNITY GRANTS

Purpose: One of the focus areas is public schools for children with disabilities that promote a greater level of inclusion in student activities and extracurricular programs. Proposed programs must be fully inclusive where children with disabilities are full participants in an early childhood, adolescent or teenage program alongside their typically developing peers.

Awards: \$5,000.00

Deadline: October 31, 2010

Contact: <http://info.cvscaremark.com/community/our-impact/community-grants>

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF AERONAUTICS AND ASTRONAUTICS (AIAA) – STEM FOR K-12 CLASSROOMS

Purpose: Funds can be used for classroom demonstration kits and science supplies, math and science software, supplies for making flying objects (what kid can resist the chance to build and launch a rocket?), supplies for robotic programs, and other materials to help you make science, mathematics, and technology come alive in your classroom. Preference is given to grants that align with the AIAA mission. Teacher must be a current AIAA Educator Associate member or an AIAA Professional member actively engaged as a K-12 classroom educator prior to receiving the grant.

Awards: \$200.00

Deadline: Quarterly basis in January, March, June, and September. Grants must be received one month prior to be considered for the upcoming cycle.

Contact: <http://www.aiaa.org/index.cfm>

WEB BASED SITE FOR LEARNING:

MATH FACT CAFÉ

Free math worksheets for elementary school and home use. This includes generators for math drills, flashcards, time, money, and more! <http://www.mathfactcafe.com/>

THE FOLLOWING WAS WORTH MENTIONING AGAIN!

DOLLAR GENERAL: 2010 DOLLAR GENERAL LITERACY FOUNDATION YOUTH LITERACY GRANT

Purpose: Provide funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading.

Awards: \$3,000.00

Deadline: May 21, 2010

Contact: <http://www.dgliteracy.com/grant-program/youth-grants.aspx>

Don't forget Dollar General's Back to School Grant!