

THE GRANT CONNECTION



“People take pictures of the summer, just in case someone thought they had missed it, and to prove that it really existed.” ~ Ray Davies

As always, thanks for all that you do!

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Don't forget to check out The Grant Connection for other funding opportunities, related articles, etc.

Thank you to all of the teachers and professionals who have gone that extra mile to find funding for innovative programs and learning experiences. There have been a number of well-written grant applications submitted by our schools. Our **Honorary Grant Gurus** include: Brad Claussen, Matthew Gruhl, Ed Hashey, Kathy Kushmer, Marie Masferrer, Maidie Meckley, and Jo Stone. Please let us know about your grant writing activities so that we can include you as one of our gurus!

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