

- Big Creek ES received a grant for \$2,799 for the Big Creek Weather Station. This grant will provide all students kindergarten through fifth grade with a hands-on, engaging, and educational weather station. It will provide a space for real world problem solving, observations, and sense making aligned to standards for students.
- Brookwood ES received a grant for \$1,890.86 for Cognitive Transition Spaces. This project will create three cognitive activation spaces throughout the school building in order to support all students as they transition into academic segments of the school day and stimulate cognitive readiness. The spaces will be designed to allow for cross crawl frontal lobe activation, gross motor cerebellar activation, vestibular activation, and deep breathing.
- Chattahoochee ES received a grant for \$1,712.21 for the Greenhouse Irrigation Project. This project will add an irrigation system to a current greenhouse at the school. Due to the lack of an irrigation system, the greenhouse could not be used to its maximum capacity so this project will help the school to increase use of the greenhouse for all students to learn about gardening, sustainability, and many other science standards in their STEM class throughout the entire year.
- Chestatee ES received a grant for \$4,882 for their Lexia Lab. This grant will be used to expand Chestatee's already successful Lexia Lab, which helps fill foundational gaps for the most at-risk students with the ESL program. Many other students have had huge gains by using this interactive online program, and this new grant will provide 30 more seats for additional students in the Lexia program.
- Coal Mountain ES received a grant for \$4,945 for their Book Vending Machine. This project will provide a unique opportunity for students to self-select a book at all levels to add to their personal library through the installation of a school-wide book vending machine. Students will receive tokens to use in the book vending machine as rewards for positive behaviors.
- Cumming ES received a grant for \$4,973.06 for the Cumming Elementary Lexia Lab. This grant will provide chromebooks and storage for Cumming's ESOL students to utilize for Lexia lessons. The Lexia Lab will help over 100 students with their individual literacy needs.
- Forsyth Central HS received a grant for \$4,567.44 for the Grand Central Community Wellness School Initiative. This project will help FCHS to expand their wrap-around services to meet more needs across the entire student population, break down barriers and to become a true Community School. Renovation supplies purchased will help to complete this new space for all students to have a place to go for mental and physical needs.
- Johns Creek ES received a grant for \$3,750 for Jaggie's Jungle Walk. This project will provide sensory paths for all students to utilize for sensory processing. There will be sensory paths of hopscotch and an obstacle course in both indoor and outdoor spaces

to provide additional movement and spaces to take a break in order for students to refocus and attend to learning.

- Kelly Mill ES received a grant for \$4,995.49 for Building Mathematical Thinkers. This project will provide 511 dry erase whiteboards and 10 Building Thing Classrooms in Mathematics books to provide student discourse in their math classes aligning with new math standards. Incorporating the vertical whiteboards in math instruction increases engagement, develops critical thinking skills, deepens understanding, fosters collaboration and communication, engages active learning, fosters a positive learning culture, and aligns with the Elementary Math Vision.
- Mashburn ES received a grant for \$1,298.79 for GROW (Get Real on Work). This grant will be used for an innovative program that will provide intentional life skills to students with autism in a functional and meaningful way. The 20 kindergarten through fifth grade students will utilize items purchased with this grant to learn adaptive life skills, such as sorting household items and putting them away and following a recipe to create a simple meal.
- Midway ES received a grant for \$4,969 for Midway Vertical Whiteboards. This grant will provide vertical whiteboards for students in kindergarten through fifth grade to use during their math instructional block. The whiteboards promote the development of students who are mathematically proficient in 21st century skills and who apply mathematical reasoning in our ever-changing world.
- Midway ES received a grant for \$2,730.15 for Leader in Me + PBIS. This grant will be used for support materials to be used in Midway's Leader in Me and PBIS programs. These programs promote positive student behavior and mental wellness.
- New Hope ES received a grant for \$4,202.35 for Media Center Makerspace. This grant will be used to purchase required materials to create a makerspace in the media center at New Hope. The creation of a media center makerspace enhances a student's critical thinking, creativity, and problem-solving skills. Makerspaces can enhance learning in various subjects, such as science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), by allowing students to apply what they learn in the classroom to real-world problems and challenges.
- New Hope ES received a grant for \$4,572.53 for Storytime Heroes. Storytime Heroes is an early literacy program that will benefit a large number of students for many years to come. Students in third through fifth grade will be taught about early brain development and the importance of reading to young children and will work with younger children to read together.
- North Forsyth HS received a grant for \$5,000 for Science Ambassadors. This grant provides materials for the NFHS Science Ambassadors to hold STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) Nights at nearby elementary schools. Each of these family nights host around 900 people where elementary students participate in science and engineering activities led by high school students.

- The North United cluster received a grant for \$4,920 for North United: Building Community Connections. This grant will be used for the North United cluster schools to host an internet safety night for parents and students in all schools in this cluster. This community event of *Smart Parenting in the Age of Smart Phones* will provide important information for parents and students while also providing dinner and entertaining childcare options.
- Poole's Mill ES received a grant for \$4,764.50 for an Outdoor Learning Area. This grant will provide a spacious outdoor area with moveable dry-erase boards, a variety of seating, learning sheds, colorful number pathways, and outdoor child-size balances for all classes to use. This outdoor classroom will provide an environment for learning that includes fresh air, a different mindset and perspective, and engagement.
- Riverwatch MS received a grant for \$5,000 for a VR Classroom. Virtual Reality is a way to increase student engagement and allows deeper commitment to and personal affiliation with global scientific issues and areas of study. This grant will provide Virtual Reality headsets and supporting items for all students to utilize in science curriculum as well as other subject areas.
- Settles Bridge ES received a grant for \$4,617.89 for SBE's Oral Language Factory. An Oral Language Factory increases academic discourse by promoting oral language and literacy through a curriculum-based, child directed environment. It will consist of activity stations for kindergarten students.
- Sharon ES received a grant for \$3,188.70 for Aerospace Innovation. This grant will be used to purchase drones and supporting materials for STEAM classes. They will be used as an aerospace engineering project that teaches pre-kindergarten through fifth grade students how drones are utilized both inside and outside our Earth's atmosphere.
- Silver City ES received a grant for \$4,999.95 for Creation Station- Using a Makerspace in our Media Pathway to Ignite Young Minds. This grant will be used to create a makerspace in the media center at Silver City. The Creation Station will be used by all kindergarten through fifth grade students through their Media Pathway and also through collaboration in their classrooms to encourage creativity and demonstrating what they have learned.
- Silver City ES received a grant for \$5,000 for Building Collaboration Spaces to Ignite Young Minds to a Brighter Tomorrow. This grant will provide materials to transform a large classroom into a dynamic and inspiring space, specifically designed to nurture the needs of gifted and students and promote collaboration through project-based learning. By reimagining the traditional classroom setup, they aspire to create an environment that cultivates creativity, critical thinking, and intellectual growth.
- South Forsyth HS received a grant for \$4,509 for The Bird Feed Multimedia Lab. This grant will be used for materials to create a designated multimedia lab for the SFHS student newspaper, The Bird Feed. The lab will offer technology and resources all staffers can utilize to create videos, photo essays, podcasts, audio stories, social media

and other creative digital content and would allow students to experience hands-on, self-directed learning and practice real world skills for years into the future.

- The FoCAL Center and FCS Special Education department received a grant for \$5,000 for The Penguin Project. This grant will be used for production costs for The Penguin Project's production of *Finding Nemo*. The Penguin Project performance provides a space for special education students to work with other students to create a show on The FoCAL Center stage while gaining communication and other life skills.
- West Forsyth HS received a grant for \$5,000 for Calculators The West Way. This project will help improve student math achievement, confidence, and efficiency. It will provide TI-84 calculators for a classroom of students to create well-rounded math students. The use of a consistent calculator will help students to move from content that seems abstract to a more concrete understanding and learning how math applies to real world problems.
- West Forsyth HS received a grant for \$4,975 for ICON and Wellness at West. The grant will be used to provide items to carry out PBIS program for students. This program includes an end of year celebration, monthly awards, and weekly Wellness Wednesdays to reward students and staff throughout the building who exemplify the qualities necessary to build a positive learning environment.