

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## **27 Nevada schools win more than \$62,000 from Wells Fargo and Nevada Public Education Foundation**

**LAS VEGAS** - The Nevada Public Education Foundation has announced recipients of the 2009 Wells Fargo Grant a Wish for Your School program. Through the program, over \$62,000 will help fund the “wishes” of 27 public schools and teachers and will directly impact nearly 7,000 students throughout Nevada. A full recipient list is below.

In its fourth year, the Wells Fargo Grant a Wish for Your School program is supported by a donation from Wells Fargo and administered by the Nevada Public Education Foundation. The program’s goal is to support education in the areas of financial literacy, math, technology and careers.

“We support this program because it helps teachers to customize the experience their students receive and helps them learn the skills they need to achieve their goals in school and in life,” said Wells Fargo Nevada Regional President Kirk V. Clausen. “Congratulations to all the winning schools and teachers.”

“We are thankful to our community partner Wells Fargo for stepping up to help us advance our mission of graduating youth that have the skills to succeed in life,” said Laura Granier the Nevada Public Education Foundation chairperson. “In these difficult economic times the business community is a critical partner to education and we appreciate Wells Fargo’s generous gift that helps make innovative dreams come true in the classroom. These children are our future and Wells Fargo has recognized that and demonstrated its willingness to invest in our statewide community”

### Grant recipients in Clark County:

**Laura Dearing Elementary School** for \$3,000; 5<sup>th</sup> graders will explore college opportunities and a college visit.

**Rainbow Dream Academy** for \$3,000; Renaissance Learning software

**Arturo Cambeiro Elementary School** for \$3,000; 1<sup>st</sup> graders will publish their own book.

**Nevada State High School** for \$2,850; administer the National Career Readiness Assessment

**W. Mack Lyon Middle School** for \$1,422.75; Career exploration materials

**Bonanza High School** for \$2,550; iMac Desktop computer with digital video editing, Nikon digital camera and wireless Bluetooth tablet

**Canyon Springs High School** for \$2,300; Promethean Board and software

**Gordon McCaw Elementary School** for \$2,600; Game of Life games, extra duty pay for teachers for afterschool program, and craft materials

**Quannah McCall Elementary School** for \$695; Tape recorders/battery charger, batteries and homework books

**Gwendolyn Woolley Elementary School** for \$877.85; Career DVD, games, books and activities.

**Clark County School District K-12 West Preparatory** for \$1,595; FX makeup, books and supplies

**Legacy High School** for \$1,800; used lap top, cases, folders, educational DVD's, supplies

**Clyde C. Cox Elementary School** for \$2,573.79; 15 Garmin eTrax handheld GPS units, 36 packages of AA batteries

**Northwest Career & Technical Academy** for \$2,765; 1 AV, EBeam complete USB, Projector, V2 Module, wall mount and bracket.

**Helen Herr Elementary School** for \$3,000; 8 ipod Touch, ELMO Camera, iPod syncing station, wireless router, microphones, 4 splitters and equipment.

**Greenspun Jr High School** for \$2,690; 2 radio controlled cars, Nintendo DS, football, basketball, iPod 8 GB, iPod 16 GB, board games, supplies, bus for field trip.

**Virgin Valley Elementary School** for \$2,622; Dell Computer Windows Desktop w 17" Epson LCD Projector, Smart Electronic Whiteboard.

**Harley A. Harmon Elementary School** for \$247.20; Magnetic big money, The Allowance Game, money books, counting money puzzles, paper money, poster pack and book set.

Grant recipients in Washoe County:

**Bud Beasley Elementary School** for \$2,995; 1 set Promethean ActivExpressions, 64 AA batteries for ActivExpressions.

**Kate Smith Elementary School** for \$2,565; 1 set of ActivExpressions 32 in a set

**Rita Cannan Elementary School** for \$2,997; 2 ActiView Visual Presenter, ActiVote Voting System (1 set of 32 handhelds)

**Dilworth Middle School** for \$2,000; Approximately 150 books and snacks

**Stead Elementary School** for \$2,990 ActivExpression set of 32 with hub and soft case, 1 ActivSlate

**Robert Mitchell Elementary School** for \$2,954.42; 14 Nano iPods, 14 Belkin Stereo Recorders

Grant recipients in Nye County:

**Pahrump Valley High School** for \$2,700; T1-Navigator System 16 units

**Round Mountain Junior/Senior High School** for \$1,035; 1-3 year site license for Career Cruising software

Grant recipients in Carson County:

**Empire Elementary School** for \$3,000; 7 Apple iPod Touch 32 GV, 7 Belkin phone splitters, 150 software.

**About Wells Fargo**

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**About the Nevada Public Education Foundation**

NPEF has been nationally recognized for its groundbreaking “Ready for Life” movement, which leverages resources and partnerships to improve key indicators related to graduation rates, employment, and economic stability. Established in 1991, the organization convenes and connects local, regional and statewide organizations to maximize resources and impact; seeks to consistently measure and improve programs and services; and organizes public and private support to sustain the work and ensure that young people receive the education and resources they need to become productive, contributing members of society.

For more information on Nevada Public Education Foundation, visit <http://www.readyforlifenv.org>.

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