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## Grants Activity to Date

### Current Fiscal Year July 1, 2014—June 30, 2015

Since the beginning of the Fiscal Year on July 1, the Hancock Public Schools Foundation (HPSF) approved nearly \$60,000 in grant requests. Below are some highlights that illustrate the breadth of support across grade levels and disciplines:

- Completion of two sets of classroom novels for Grade 4 reading groups
- Replacement of two engine lathes for the Industrial Education Department
- Provision of a digital piano for the Music Department
- Funds for Elementary Grades Family Science and Engineering Night
- Continued support of Junior Library Guild subscription to benefit all students
- Replacement of preschool sandbox
- Continued support of the successful program BrainPop for elementary grades
- Career Cruising Career Planning Program—all grades
- Technology upgrade providing wireless access points in the Middle School and High School



Preschoolers enjoying the new sandbox

As always, the Foundation's efforts wouldn't be possible without the support of the extended community—alumni, friends, teachers and administrators. All of you help educate and enrich our students' learning experience. Thank you.

—HPSF Board of Directors

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## Music in Our Schools

Imagine a digital piano that sounds like a concert grand, can be moved to virtually any location in the school building, that has recording capability, and needs no annual tuning.

That's exactly what the Music Department imagined when exploring options for replacing the school's aging piano, and the Foundation was happy to help. In addition to providing accompaniment for band and choir practices, music teacher Ryan Watt indicates that the piano can be used for school and community music performances, and classes teaching the science of sound.

Pictured above are Mr. Watt and music students rehearsing with the new instrument.

*"It is such a blessing to know that music is appreciated and supported! We are all so thankful for your generous gift to the music department."- Ryan Watt*

## Contributions from October 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015

The Hancock Public Schools Foundation gratefully acknowledges the generous contributions that help us continue to enrich the education of our students. We make every effort to ensure the accuracy of this listing. Please call 906-487-5925 with questions or corrections.

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**Get involved as a committee chair, committee member or class contact.**

**Email reunionhch@gmail.com or call Sara Eilola Niemeyer '73 at 906-523-5405 to volunteer.**

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