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## 2016-17 Grant Summaries

### CORMIER EARLY LEARNING CENTER

**Fairy Tale S.T.E.M. Kits** - Kindergarten students will engineer happier endings by constructing a bridge that keeps 3 goats safe from the troll and build a chair that Goldilocks can't break. Children discover the S.T.E.M. (science, technology, engineer and math) in their favorite fairy tales and are inspired to explore challenging situations until a solution is found.

**Story Walk** - Children's books are taken apart, laminated and placed on stakes to be used indoors or outside to promote early literacy learning, engagement and physical activity.

### PARKVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

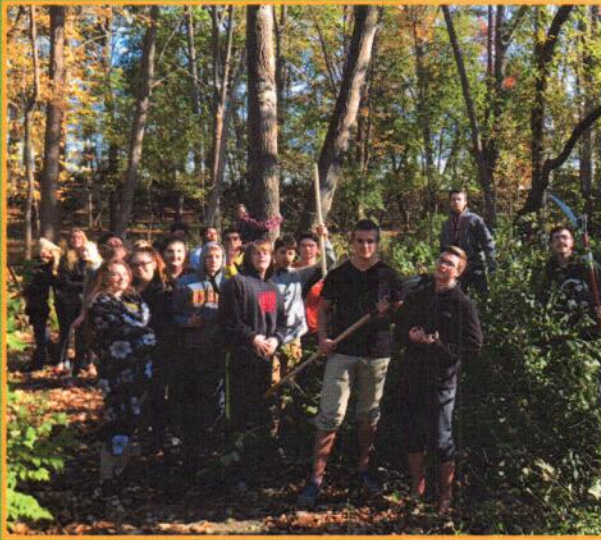
**Sparking Innovation and Coding Creativity** - Students experience the process of designing, building and programming working micro controllers. This will aid their understanding of computer science and allow them to visualize additional programming applications.

### ASHWAUBENON HIGH SCHOOL

**Courtyard Science** - The high school courtyard is transformed into an esthetically pleasing outside classroom for hands on learning about sustainable agriculture, aquaponics and alternative energies.

**Digital Astronomy** - A computerized GPS guided telescope will allow students directed night viewing in Astronomy class. Every student enrolled in the class will be able to attend multiple night-viewing sessions via the Internet.

**FUNctional Fit Bits** - Fit Bit Charge HR (heart rate) will be used to track activity and heart rate in and out of the FUNctional Fitness class for special needs students. Students will set daily goals and track programs.



## High School Courtyard Revitalization

The 1st and 2nd hour High School Conservation classes taught by Mr. Dan Albrent have been working hard at transforming the largely unused courtyard into an esthetically pleasing and education oriented place that draws the attention of both students and teachers. Pictured above is the newly mulched area around the greenhouse and shed. This will be the future site for picnic tables and benches. The students rocked a pond in the area that also includes a waterfall!

Other aspects of the grant project completed this fall include:

- Mulching the sides of the sidewalk.
- Digging & mulching a native tree path.
- Planting & placing signs for native wildflowers around the sides of the garden.
- Digging tree rings and mulching around all the fruit trees.
- Planting strawberries and blueberries near existing raspberry bushes along the building and behind the pond.

Much more work will begin again in spring. This area will become an area used by a variety of classes including Biology, Foods & Nutrition, and Environmental. The Eco Club will be actively involved in maintenance and care of the area and there will be a summer school class to continue the work over the summer months.



There are many ways to contribute to the AEF

- Remember to park your car at Valley View Elementary School during home Packer games, or volunteer to help with parking. Proceeds go to the AEF.
- Serve on the AEF Advisory Board.