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Fairport, N.Y. – The Fairport-Area Community Education Trust (FACET) announces recipients of the first funding round of its *Teacher Mini-Grant Program*. Grant award winners were formally recognized at the November 20, 2013 Board of Education meeting. Nearly \$5,000 in funding has been committed to the following projects:

- **Brooks Hill School:** Anne Cormier, Maureen Holcombe, Shelley Moyer and Susan Reindel Proposal: Building Prior Knowledge to Support Vocabulary and Comprehension for ELL students
- **Dudley School:** Lorri Beth Willard, Instructional Support Staff Proposal: LCD Boogie Boards for Word Work
- **Jefferson Avenue School:** Nicole Allen, Reading Support Staff Proposal: Building Readers: How Families Can Help Children Get Ready to Read (Electronic newsletter subscription)
- **Northside School:** Margaret Benedetto and Rachael Rzepka, Math Lab Instructors Proposal: i-Pad Minis to Support Struggling Math Learners
- **Minerva DeLand School:** Curt Sleeman, Art Instructor Proposal: Dry-erase boards and markers to assist with classroom instruction/technique practice
- **Minerva DeLand School:** Paula Gitlin, Global Studies Teacher Proposal: Global Studies Word Wall for vocabulary and term instruction and retention
- **Fairport High School:** Elizabeth Burns, Science Teacher Proposal: Spectrophotometer for use in AP Chemistry, AP Biology, SUPA Forensics and the NASA collaborative HUNCH program
- **Fairport High School:** Patricia McGrath Proposal: Set of response remotes for use with SMART technology in the ADEPT classroom
- **Instructional Support Team Members** Emily Hunt (Brooks Hill), Jessica Jones (DU), Kimberly Billcliff (JA), and Christine Bushnell (NS) Proposal: Multi-Sensory Phonics Cards and supplies
- **District Art Department:** Marcia Steffer and Shelley Gentile Proposal: Purchase of portable display panels for K-12 art exhibition

FACET is a non-profit, independent education foundation established in 2012 by Fairport residents. Our mission is to support and initiate programs and projects that will positively impact the educational experience of district students and to provide opportunities for all aspects of the Fairport Community to actively contribute to public education. The Grant Committee consisted of FACET Governing Board members, retired educators and a district alumnus. The Teacher Mini-Grant fund was established with proceeds from business sponsorship at the 2013 GEM Expo, net profit from the Barnes and Noble FACET Book Fair and direct donations to FACET.