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Six Area Schools Receive Funding for Technology Integration

WACO, Texas – The Education Service Center Region 12 Technology Foundation recently awarded five school districts and one charter school with more than \$49,000 in grant funds to support educational technology programs.

The new technology projects were imagined and submitted for review, based on the specific needs of students within each school.

Belton ISD (\$6,844) - Look Mom! We're on Apple TV!
La Vega ISD (\$9,684) - Welcome to "Appy Hour"
Moody ISD (\$10,000) - The STEAM Garage
Teague ISD (\$8,700) - High School Print Lab
Waco Charter School (\$9,020) - The Reading Pen Project
Waco ISD (\$5,000) - Digital Library for Success

Collectively, these funds will help 2,027 students in five districts and one charter school across three counties. The grant funds will be used to purchase state-of-the-art equipment, such as 3D pens, printers and iPads Minis for reading and STEM projects, as well as provide an online curriculum library and technology collaboration hub.

“The ESC Region 12 Education Technology Foundation became part of our vision for how to continually leverage resources and drive more money to students and teachers in the classroom, where it matters most, more than two years ago. To now present grant money that helps Region 12 schools place instructional technology in the hands of students is an exciting victory,” commented ESC Region 12 Executive Director Jerry Maze, Ed.D. “We are proud to support our schools in their efforts to give all students first-class technology in the classroom.”

Since its creation in 2012, the ESC Region 12 Technology Foundation has awarded more than \$210,000 to 22 school districts and two charter schools.

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expert assistance to educators and school personnel to increase student achievement. ESC Region 12 offers effective, economical programs and services through professional development, expert assistance, direct services and alternative educator certification.

Based in Waco, ESC Region 12 serves 76 school districts, 11 charters and private/parochial schools in Bell, Bosque, Coryell, Falls, Freestone, Hamilton, Hill, Lampasas, Limestone, McLennan, Mills and Navarro counties. Everything the center offers focuses on helping educators be successful and helping schools save money and leverage resources—driving more money to students in the classroom—where it matters most.