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## MEDINA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL ANNOUNCES ARTS GRANTS FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS

Medina County Arts Council is pleased to announce the awarding of over \$1,550 in grants to Medina County arts teachers. All four grants will benefit a combined 1,458+ students in just this school year alone. Some of these grants will continue to benefit students each year moving forward as well. The grants will be reaching kids from 1st grade to 12th grade.

The teachers and projects receiving the grant money are:

- Lauren Smith, Medina High School. Project: Digital Art Portfolio The purchase of photobooths for her students to create portfolios of their own artwork. Project will benefit 500+ students each year
- Marlene Bossart, Wadsworth Central Intermediate School. Project: Stop Motion Animation. To purchase stop
  motion cameras and non-hardening clay for her 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to create animated videos. Project
  will benefit 325+ students
- Kelly Harrison, Brunswick Middle School. Project: STEAM Do or Dye. Students will design new Brunswick Middle School logo with digital art techniques, learn tie dye patterns, and screen printing T-shirts. Will benefit 315 students including special education units.
- Logan Byerly, Brunswick Kidder Elementary, Project: purchase of 8 ukuleles for grades 1-5 to reinforce their knowledge of musical concepts. Will benefit 318 students.

Medina County Arts Council will be awarding teacher grants twice a year. The next grant cycle is in the spring with grant requests being accepted March 1 to 31, 2022. For more information go to <a href="http://www.medinacountyartscouncil.org/">http://www.medinacountyartscouncil.org/</a>

The Medina County Arts Council (MCAC) advocates for, supports and nurtures the arts in the county by providing grants to Medina County organizations, schools and communities promoting the arts, and providing scholarships to graduating seniors who have been successful in the arts. The Arts Council recognizes individuals and organizations for their work promoting the arts with the Service to the Arts Awards. Each middle week of July the Arts Council provides free arts programming and experiences during Arts Week.

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