

Proposal for Final Disbursement of Funds

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Over the course of the past two years, the trustees of the Readington Educational Foundation have deliberated the need and value of our fundraising organization. Although there has been philosophical support for the foundation, as a group we have not been able to put together the volunteer or financial support needed from the community to be truly successful. There seems to be too many other organizations and activities competing with us for parents' time and financial resources that are of greater priority to most in our district.

Accordingly, the trustees of the Readington Educational Foundation will be distributing all funds raised to date and completing the paperwork with the State of New Jersey to close the foundation. Below is a plan for distribution of about \$42,400 that the trustees believe is consistent with REF's mission, in line with the wishes our donors, and will achieve a positive impact with many of our districts students now and into the future.

After this distribution, REF's resources will total approximately \$15,000. We welcome suggestions from administration and staff regarding tangible items that might be purchased that would benefit students by stretch the bounds of the "normal" classroom experience and are not within parameters of our current school budget to provide.

Whitehouse School

Yamaha PSR-E233 61-Key Premium Portable Keyboard Package with Headphones, Stand and Power Supply	\$446
Currently there are 3 pianos in the music room at WHS (a full size one and 2 smaller models). When I am teaching beginning piano keyboarding skills to my students, it gets very crowded when sharing these instruments. Some classes have 22 students and only half of the class (5 students on the full size piano and 3 each on the smaller models) can practice on the instruments at a time. If we were to acquire 3 additional smaller models for WHS, each student would be able to practice much more comfortably and without having to wait his/her turn to play. 3 x (\$115.99 + \$32.44 shipping)	

Holland Brook School

World Music Percussion Instruments would be used for a highly motivating and engaging unit of study for fifth graders at the end of the year and also for future	\$4,825
concerts.	(Instruments +
	shipping and
1. Percussion Package:	handling fees)
http://www.westmusic.com/p/remo-world-music-drumming-series-pp-wmdc-	
aa-drumming-package-a-201086	
2. Drum Tuning Key:	
http://www.westmusic.com/p/remo-hk-2450-59-tubano-swivel-handle-	
<u>drumkey-255109</u>	
3. Djembe Stand:	
http://www.westmusic.com/p/remo-di-6110-00-djembe-stand-255644	
4. Zylophone	\$1,000
A Xylophone for use by HBS percussionists, for improved instrumentation in the	
band program. Currently Xylophone parts are skipped or played on bells.	
http://www.steveweissmusic.com/product/adams-academy-light-rosewood-	
xylophone/xylophone#reviews	

Readington Middle School

 Apple iPad Learning Lab (30 iPad 4 devices, carts, 2 year warranty) 20 pack iPad Learning Lab – BK2N2LL/A = \$10,499 10 pack iPad Learning Lab – BK2Q2LL/A = \$6,099 Our General Music Curriculum consisted of a unit on technology, but we currently do not have full access to computers or other devices. The Apple iPad learning lab would benefit all music students (band, orchestra, chorus, and general music) through having our own devices. We can use these iPads for self-assessment, as well as projects. 	\$16,600
2. Music Library – Wenger Music Library System (4 unit – 7 shelf) The Wenger Music Library System would be beneficial to the Readington Middle School Performing Arts Department through its ability to turn the current music library into a highly practical use of space and organization. The music library, which is over 1,000 titles of music, is currently scattered throughout each of the three music rooms in filing cabinets and bookshelves. The Wenger System would create one designated area to organize this music. These cabinets provide effective organization in a space-saving manner. The space saved will give the students more performance area in the classrooms. The approval of the Wenger Music Library System will provide a desperately needed and essential piece of equipment to the Music Department, and will enrich the program. http://www.wengercorp.com/storage/music-library-system.php	\$6,450
These tone bars can be used during general music classes to fulfill the national standards in terms of performance. They are easy accessible to all students, and can be used in ensemble classes as well. http://www.malmark.com/store/index.php?main_page=product_info&cPath=15 4_169&products_id=1056	\$4,125
4. Cello Stand 3 Instrument Double Bass Rack http://www.sherrardracks.com/products.htm	\$500

5. Assorted String Instruments The band teachers are working to identify instruments to fill in gaps in the current Strings collection. Specific purchases to be identified shortly.	\$2,300
6. Jazz Band	\$6,130
The Jazz Band is currently missing some basic instrumentation. Securing these pieces would outfit band appropriately and be utilized in rehearsals and performances. The portable keyboard could be used in other capacities as well, as RMS does not currently possess a quality portable keyboard.	
Portable Digital Keyboard: Yamaha Digital Piano: http://www.interstatemusic.com/920086-Yamaha-P255-88-Key-Digital-Piano-Black-P255B.aspx Portable pedal: http://www.interstatemusic.com/920085-Yamaha-FC4-Piano-Style-Sustain-Pedal-FC4.aspx Keyboard stand: http://www.interstatemusic.com/920090-Yamaha-LP255B-Electronic-Keyboard-Pedal-or-Footswitch-Black-LP255B.aspx Vibraphone for correct Jazz Band instrumentation. There are several students who would benefit immediately by playing the vibes. Currently there is not a vibraphone at RMS. http://www.steveweissmusic.com/product/musser-m44-combo-vibe/vibraphone Tuba for correct Concert Band instrumentation. Currently there is not a working Tuba at RMS.	