

VI. General (state funds), Miscellaneous Revenue, and Library Services Improvement Funds
C. School Library Access Mini-Grant Applications Received – Information item

The Idaho Commission for Libraries (ICfL) receives state funding annually to make subawards to school libraries through the School Library Access Mini-Grant program. Funds from this program are used to purchase books to help ensure access to high-quality reading materials for elementary and secondary students. This grant program has four primary goals for elementary schools:

- Increase the amount of reading done in the homes of Idaho’s elementary school students, particularly those in pre-K, kindergarten, and first grade.
- Increase access to age-appropriate, quality nonfiction and fiction titles in elementary school libraries, especially for primary students.
- Increase the number of children reading at grade level.
- Increase school libraries’ financial support from their school districts.

The program has three primary goals for secondary schools:

- Increase the amount of recreational reading done by students in grades 6-12.
- Increase access to age-appropriate, high-quality nonfiction and fiction titles in secondary school libraries.
- Increase the number of students in grades 6-12 reading at grade level.

In 2023, 20 elementary schools and 22 secondary schools applied for the School Library Access Mini-Grant. All 42 schools received grant awards. Funds will be distributed in September, after grantees attend a full-day training hosted by the ICfL. The training covers early literacy, vocabulary development, and reading comprehension. It also focuses on strategies for secondary school librarians to create a culture of reading.

Here are the 2023 School Library Access Mini-Grant applicants and award amounts:

School	School District	Award Amount	Evaluation & Status
Elementary Schools			
A.B. McDonald Elementary School	Moscow School District #281	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Barbara Morgan STEM Academy	West Ada School District #2	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Black Canyon Elementary School	Grace School District #148	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved

Cascade Elementary School	Cascade School District #422	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Chaparral Elementary School	West Ada School District #2	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Driggs Elementary School	Teton School District #401	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Frontier Elementary School	West Ada School District #2	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Hailey Elementary School	Blaine County School District #61	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Juliaetta Elementary School	Kendrick School District #283	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Lincoln Elementary School	Caldwell School District #132	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Maxine Johnson Elementary School	Parma School District #137	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Meridian Elementary School	West Ada School District #2	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Midway Elementary School	Jefferson School District #251	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Northside Elementary School	Lake Pend Oreille School District #84	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Rockford Elementary School	Snake River School District #52	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Sagle Elementary School	Lake Pend Orielle School District #84	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Syringa Mountain School	Syringa Mountain School District #488	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Tendoy Elementary School	Pocatello/Chubbuck School District #25	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Wapello Elementary School	Blackfoot School District #55	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Wilson Elementary School	Caldwell School District #132	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved

Secondary Schools			
Boundary County Middle School	Boundary County School District #101	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Eagle Rock Middle School	Idaho Falls School District #91	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
East Junior High School	Boise Independent School District #1	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Emmett High School	Emmett School District #221	\$4,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Farnsworth Middle School	Jefferson County School District #251	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Kuna High School	Kuna Joint School District #3	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Lake Hazel Middle School	West Ada School District #2	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Lake Pend Oreille High School	Lake Pend Oreille School District #84	\$1,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Lakeland Middle School	Lakeland Joint School District #272	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Marsh Valley High School	Marsh Valley School District #21	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Meridian Academy	West Ada School District #2	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Meridian High School	West Ada School District #2	\$3,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
New Horizon Center	Pocatello/Chubbuck School District #25	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
North Junior High School	Boise Independent School District #1	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Pocatello High School	Pocatello/Chubbuck School District #25	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Post Falls Middle School	Post Falls School District #273	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved

Rigby High School	Jefferson Joint School District #251	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
River City Middle School	Post Falls School District #273	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Salmon River Jr.-Sr. High School	Salmon River Joint School District #243	\$4,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Taylorview Middle School	Idaho Falls School District #91	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Thunder Ridge High School	Bonneville School District #93	\$5,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Vera C. O'Leary Middle School	Twin Falls School District #411	\$3,000	Staff Reviewed & Approved
Total School Library Access Awards			
	42 schools	\$200,000	