

## Evonik Tippecanoe Laboratories Donates \$9,900 to Local Schools Partners in Education grants have been supporting STEM for over 20 years

Lafayette, Ind., May 5, 2017 - Evonik Corporation's Lafayette, Ind., site has awarded more than \$9,900 in grants to teachers in Tippecanoe County schools to fund science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) programs in the 2017-2018 school year.

"We are extremely grateful for Evonik's support of our students and teachers by offering these grants," says Tippecanoe School Superintendent Dr. Scott Hanback. "Today's students are future scientists, engineers and technicians. The grants will provide additional resources for engaging, interactive classroom activities designed to get students excited about STEM."

Evonik's contributions to the local school systems mark the 22<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year teachers in the community were awarded grants under the Partners in Education program.

"We are proud to once again support teachers and students in our community," said Clive Whiteside, vice president and manager of Evonik's Lafayette site. "Evonik believes in education and community involvement and these STEM programs are a great way to foster support for these initiatives."

The following programs were selected for this year's Partners in Education grants:

- Sprouting The Engineering Mindset Through Ecosystems
  - Lauri Mitchell and Jessica Schenkel
  - Klondike Elementary School
- Massive Mindstorms on the Horizon
  - Beau Scott
  - Dayton Elementary School
- STEM + ROBOTS = SUCCESS
  - Kimberly Deckard, Tami Jacobs, Tyler Laufman, Marisa Arms, Tiffani Pettit
  - Burnett Creek Elementary School

- The Tale of the Great Grow Along
  - Kimberly Deckard, Abby McClure, Vincent Perry
  - Burnett Creek Elementary School
- Reasons for Seasons
  - Kimberly Deckard, Tami Jacobs, Tyler Laufman, Marisa Arms, Tiffani Pettit
  - Burnett Creek Elementary School
- Thermodynamic Duo
  - Peter Von Werder
  - West Lafayette Jr/Sr High School
- Neuroscience is STEM!
  - Alyce Myers
  - Lafayette Jefferson High School
- Sparking Some Interest in Circuitry
  - Peter Von Werder
  - West Lafayette Jr/Sr High School
- More DNA For Your Buck
  - Susan Nail
  - Klondike Middle School
- You Had Me at Breakout! A Simple Machine Mystery
  - Terri Fisher, Debbie Beckett, JoEllen Hayworth, Jennifer Koning, Katie Luebcke
  - Burnett Creek Elementary School
- Kindergarten Curiosity Through STEM
  - Stephanie Salmon
  - Woodland Elementary School

The Partners in Education program helps teachers and students in numerous ways. In addition, Evonik Tippecanoe Laboratories employees host the Wizard Science program where they provide classroom science demonstrations, develop activities for teachers, and judge science projects.

The Partners in Education program is overseen by a committee of educators, school administrators and Evonik employees.

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