



VENTURA
Education Partnership
INVESTING IN CHILDREN - ENRICHING OUR COMMUNITY

Ventura Education Partnership's (VEP) mission is to connect community resources to support and sustain innovation in education to benefit VUSD students.

Congratulations Fall 2025 VEPGrant Recipients!

Name	School/Dept.	Project Title
Alyssa Baarstad	Elmhurst SPED	Flexible Seating
Daniel Baker	FTHS	Growing STEM: Integrating Chemistry, Biology, and Sustainability Through Hydroponics
Lynn Bova	Juanamaria	Let's Grow
Paul Browne	Portola	Rhythm in Motion
Heather Carr	Anacapa	Read Reflect Create Repeat
Sarah Carr	PHS-EIC	Social Emotional Learning
Karen Childress	BHS	Diverse Choice books for Teens
Catherine Cooper	Anacapa	Humanizing the Historical Experience
Julie Crawford	Lemon Grove	Bringing Book Club to Life
Andrew Dincognito	Lemon Grove	Camera for Student Media Club
Amanda Edgar	Anacapa	I Survived Middle School History: Exploring Reading and Writing Through First-Person Storytelling
Fallon Farokhi	VHS	Bibliotherapy
Erin Fraser	Lemon Grove	Pulling Together
Sarah Gluck Perez	ESC-TOSA	Celebrating Diverse Literature
Kelly Herrera	BHS	Thank you, Book Tok!
Cara Hill	Loma Vista	Disability/Ability Awareness
Kimberly Huber	ATLAS	Mic Drop Project
Peter Ippel	PHS	Reimagining Murals
Christopher Jaquette	VHS	Expanding project-based Learning through STEM: Makerspaces in the High School Setting
Vanessa Klein	Cabrillo	Sound Bath
Scott Lehman	Cabrillo	Teaching Engineering and Design through Surfboard...
Leslie Linton	Cabrillo	Inclusivity Library
Shannon Lopez	Anacapa	Who Made an Impact?
Elizabeth Mainz	VHS	Photo Journalism
Linda Miller	PHS-EIC	Sensory Support and science
Mariana Navarro Aldana	Montalvo	Flexibility in the Classroom
Danvi Nguyen	Lemon Grove	The Nest

Alberto Ortiz	VHS	Camera Lights Action
Kati Padgett	Lemon Grove	The Incredible Human Machine
Susana Patricio-Rodriguez	Sheridan Way	Learning Science Together
Ale Posada	BHS	Investing in the Future of Journalism
Angel Quiroz	BHS	Esports Shoutcasting Initiative
Teresa Ramos	Montalvo	Reading Launch Pad
Karen Reynosa	VHS	STEM Activities to engage and excite Youth in VUSD Elementary Schools
Tiffani Scrivner	PHS-EIC	Inclusive Communication
Sherry Smith	Portola	Playing is Learning
Melanie Strophe	Loma Vista	Little Scientists
Anayeli Torres	PHS-EIC	Learning Through Play
Tanya Toutz-Hager	Lemon Grove	Creator Cart
Rebecca VanMannekes	Sunset	Hands on Learning for All
Alex Wulff	DATA	Project Unicorn
Rebecca Wulff	FTHS	Frame of Mind Student Films to Promote Mental Health

Student Grant Recipients

Student Name	School/Dept.	Project Title
Micah B.	Buena	Tripods to support Youth
Parker D.	Lemon Grove	Bloom Tower
Leah E.	VHS	Film Club Equipment Expansion
Teagan F.	Buena	Bringing Joy to the Holidays with Music
Nathan G.	Buena	String Ensemble Low Strings Improvement
Myles G.	VHS	Make Diplomacy Affordable
Noah H.	VHS	Expanding Project Based Learning Through STEM
Abilene J.	DATA	Folklorico Club
Ivan K.	DATA	Backup Internet Demonstration Project
Sanvi K.	DATA	S.T.E.A.M. Dream
Ethan N.	DATA	Building Our Future
Holland O.	Buena	Enhancing Our Wind Ensemble
Andrea P.	VHS	Non-Contact Injury Prevention Cleats
Noah R.	Foothill	CTE Program set of iPads for Project Based Learning
Liana R.	Buena	Books for Bookworms
Danika R.	Buena	Marching Band Instruments & Equipment
Samantha S.	DATA	Mindful Sound Waves
Jeremiah S.	Foothill	Screen Printing Supplies for Textile Production
Audrey S.	VHS	Less Stress Fest
Avery V.	Buena	Strings for Success Building an Equipment Library