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Walton EMC awards more than \$100K to Gwinnett schools

Educators at two dozen Gwinnett County public schools were awarded grants by a local energy company totaling **\$125,053.99**. The Walton EMC EmPOWERment Grants focus on projects to strengthen the schools' instructional programs and enhance student success. Representatives from Walton EMC visited 22 Gwinnett schools to deliver the exciting news to nearly 30 teachers and their students. Below is a list of the grant winners, the names of their projects, and the amount they will receive.

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2010 and 2014 Winner of



School	Submitted by	Project	2018 Grant
Anderson-Livsey Elementary School	Jessica Askew	Science Lab Technology Enrichment	\$6,579.00
Brookwood Elementary School	Karen Mitchell	Empowering Entrepreneurs	\$2,866.20
Centerville Elementary School	Thomas Simerson	Technology for Math Tech Specials	\$4,699.80
Craig Elementary School	Chris Locke	STEPS	\$5,740.00
Five Forks Middle School	Andrew Whatley	Collaborative, Project-based Learning	\$4,600.00
Grayson Elementary School	Sara Forrester and Kristen Davis	Total Tech Takeover	\$5,500.00
Grayson High School	Jennifer DaSilva	Visual Waves	\$2,297.55
Grayson High School	Capucina Douglass	PBIS Pride!	\$1,000.00
Grayson Technical	Heather Kishun	Tech Corner Store	\$1,187.00
Head Elementary School	Shann Griffeth	Battle of the Books/Million Word Club	\$4,500.00
Hopkins Elementary School	Susan Jackson	Cultivating a Community of Readers	\$4,672.50
Magill Elementary School	Pamela Wynter	Tools for Transformation	\$4,995.00
McConnell Middle School	April Turner and Gaye Walk	Tigers ROAR Across the Country	\$7,415.03

Mountain Park Elementary School	Heather Bridges	Keeping the Momentum Going	\$7,500.00
Partee Elementary School	DeAnna Espinoza	Partee Film and Editing Studio	\$3,500.00
Pharr Elementary School	Pam Freeman	Imagine Learning	\$1,209.90
Pharr Elementary School	Kathleen Navin	Engaging Students through Technology	\$4,394.00
Rosebud Elementary School	Amanda Martin	Building a Classroom Library	\$3,000.00
Rosebud Elementary School	Amanda Fletcher	Touch Technology for K	\$7,600.00
Shiloh Elementary School	Thomas Trippany, Angela Banks-Spain	SMART Approach to Special Education	\$4,528.00
Shiloh Elementary School	Thomas Trippany, Angela Banks-Spain	Literacy in the Classroom	\$2,100.00
Shiloh High School	Al Ragin	Well Equipped	\$5,249.65
Shiloh Middle School	Tereka Williams, Angela Banks-Spain	Our Unsung Heroes, Making an Impact	\$2,177.00
Shiloh Middle School	Tereka Williams, Angela Banks-Spain	Reaching for Excellence through Literacy	\$2,000.00
Starling Elementary School	Ikwo Poindexter	Technology for Teaching and Learning	\$5,400.00
Starling Elementary School	Ikwo Poindexter	Leveled Literacy Intervention	\$3,946.85
Trickum Middle School	Jeff Schaefer	TMS Guitar	\$4,826.35
Trickum Middle School	Jennifer Killian	Root Robots	\$2,265.00
Trip Elementary School	Robin Brainard	Microscopes are Cool	\$1,585.15
Trip Elementary School	Jennifer Hicks	More Swings Please!	\$7,720.01

This grant program is made possible by a Georgia law that allows EMCs to use unclaimed refunds for community development after all attempts to find the owners are exhausted. No money from electric bills are used to provide these grants.

**Pictures available upon request.*