

Systemic Underfunding In Small Parochial Schools

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Abstract

There is a systemic lack of funding for small parochial schools due to an absence of resources. Franklin Heights Christian Academy in Kannapolis, North Carolina is struggling to find sufficient funds to equip their classrooms with instructional technology. Our plan will help address this need.

Background on Franklin Heights

- In a small, economically-depressed town
- Founded five years ago
- 72 K-12 students
- Very small alumni population
- School budget only teacher salaries, school supplies, and school operations
- Technology budget is totally donations and fundraisers



Fundraising Goals

	Apple TV Adapter	40" TV	Attachments
Quantity	13	13	13
Unit Price	\$84~99	\$250~300	\$20~35
Total Price	\$1104~\$1287	\$3250~\$3900	\$260~\$455
Expected Total Cost			\$4614~\$5642

Methods/Processes

- Consulted with current faculty, staff for current research leads
- Searched for grants fit school need
- Ranked grants in order of usefulness/plausibility
- Presented recommendations to school

Listed Funding Sources

1.) The Woodward Fund	2.) The Funding Factory	3.) The Dekker Foundation	4.) The Gelfand Trust	5.) Best Buy Community Grants
Esp. for	No special	To promote	To spark	To build
religious	requirements	education	STEM	interest in
institutions			interest in	technology
			kids	in teens
To improve	Easy to	For any	Gives to	Grants
future	implement	community	many	average
generations		program	different	\$5,000
			causes	
Only open	Good track	Easy to	Easy	
to a few	record of	apply for	requirements	
states	fundraising			
	success			



Results

- These sources can support the school
 - The David, Helen and Marian
 Woodward Fund
 - The Funding Factory
 - The Dekker Foundation
 - The Gelfand Family Charitable Trust
 - The Best Buy Foundation
- More than \$5000 are expected

Conclusions

- Increased funds will
 - Outfit 13 classrooms with new technology
 - Make classroom instruction more interactive

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