



Education. Innovation. Possibilities.

09/11/2024

PRESS RELEASE

Pinckney, Michigan – September 11, 2024

Pinckney, Michigan – Dollar General Literacy Foundation recently awarded Pinckney Community Schools a \$4000 grant to support youth literacy initiatives. This local grant award is part of more than \$4 million in grants recently awarded to nonprofit organizations, libraries and schools in Dollar General's hometown communities across the country to help extend a brighter future for K-12 students.

"We are so excited to receive this grant to help improve elementary classroom libraries. The grant funds will be used to support our new classroom library makeover project. This project includes teacher professional development, new books, shelving, and display materials." shared Laura Allen, Pinckney Community Schools Instructional Coach.

"We understand investing in youth literacy means investing in the future of students and our collective communities," shared Denine Torr, executive director of the Dollar General Literacy Foundation. "Through these grants, we hope to enhance the programs' efforts to foster students' critical thinking skills, creativity and confidence so they can unlock their potential and achieve their dreams."

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation supports organizations that increase access to educational programming, stimulate and enable innovation in the delivery of educational instruction and inspire a love of reading. Each year, DGLF awards funds to nonprofit organizations, schools, and libraries within a 15-mile radius of a Dollar General store or distribution center to support adult, family, summer and youth literacy programs. The Foundation also offers a student referral program for individuals interested in learning how to read, speak English, or prepare for the high school equivalency exam. Referrals to a local organization that provides free literacy services are available online [here](#) or through referral cards found in the Learn to Read brochures that are available at the cash register of every Dollar General store.

A comprehensive list of grant recipients may be found online at www.dgliteracy.org