



# Annual Report 2025–2026

## MEDFIELD COALITION FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION

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Thanks to the continued generosity of our supportive community and the ongoing dedication of our teachers and administrators, MCPE has once again made a meaningful impact in bringing enrichment and innovation to Medfield Public Schools. We are excited to share that we awarded over **\$69,000** in funding this year in support of 15 grants. Many of these initiatives are already underway and are providing students and staff with engaging experiences, hands-on learning opportunities, valuable materials, social-emotional supports, and professional development opportunities. Thanks to our educators, school administrators, and district personnel who wrote thoughtful and impactful grants that enrich the Medfield school community, MCPE was able to support literacy, STEM, technology, health and wellness, and more – opening up the potential for all students to learn and thrive.

Community support is foundational to our mission. Enthusiastic participation in our fundraising events collectively raised more than \$58,000. Fundraising kicked off strong at a fun and well attended Fall Fest, which brought in over \$20,000 in net proceeds. Support continued throughout the year as crucial funds poured in from the Swag Store, and Wellness Night. Trivia Night was relocated closer to home and a good crowd showed up at 7th Wave to test their knowledge. This fun and competitive event raised \$4,650 in net profits. The annual Spelling Bee set a record with 419 students participating and \$10,220 was raised. The year wrapped up with the Blue Ribbon Campaign, honoring the educators who are the supportive and enthusiastic backbone of the school system. Ninety-seven educators were nominated, resulting in \$2,795 funds raised. MCPE thanks the entire Medfield community for its enduring support and help in creating a unified community with a powerful school district at the core.

# 2025–2026 Awards

## Thomas A. Reis Award:

*Building Belonging: Cultivating Inclusive School Cultures*

Grant Written by: Brenda Hagan and Nat Vaughn

## Robert C. Maguire Award:

Jim Kuehl

Erin Watson

# 2025–2026 Fundraising

- Fall Fest
- Trivia Night
- Spelling Bee
- Holiday & Spring Swag Store
- Wellness Night
- Blue Ribbon

# 2025–2026 Grants

## Memorial School (\$3,341 total)

- **Juggling Nutrition Magician Show (\$1,595)**

To bring Memorial’s nutrition unit to life, MCPE funded an interactive, in-person performance that turned healthy eating and staying active into a shared, high-energy and memorable experience. Teachers were provided follow-up resources to use in the classroom, helping kids carry those healthy choices from the assembly back to their daily lives.

- **SumBlox STEM Tools \$1,746**

SumBlox, a unique tool to deepen students’ conceptual understanding of numbers, was introduced into every Preschool, Kindergarten, and First Grade classroom as well as specialized learning and math rooms. By turning addition and multiplication into a tactile experience, SumBlox fosters an inclusive environment where students of all learning styles and abilities can meet high academic standards through play and discovery.



## Ralph Wheelock School (\$6,387 total)

- **Outdoor Classroom (\$3,284)**

MCPE supported the creation of a new outdoor learning space at Wheelock, literally breaking down the walls of traditional instruction and empowering teachers to design creative, engaging lessons that motivate student learning.

- **Regulation Reset (\$2,653)**

The much-needed library of regulation tools at Wheelock was expanded and refreshed to meet the learning needs of all students. Providing access to these tools during the day allows for developmentally appropriate regulation opportunities, so that all students can feel ready and motivated to learn.

- **iCare Reading Program (\$450)**

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## Dale Street School (\$8,953 total)

- **Understanding Our Differences (\$2,050)**

The "Understanding Our Differences" program brought vital disability awareness presentations to the 4th and 5th grades at Dale Street School. These sessions were engaging and memorable for students, fostering wonderful conversations and astute questions, leaving all with a deeper understanding of the diverse experiences of their peers. By fostering empathy and open conversation, this grant helped create a more inclusive school culture where every student feels seen, respected, and supported by their community.

- **Sensory Tools: Weighted Blankets (\$2,230)**

Dale Street students were provided these weighted sensory tools to help calm the nervous system and improve self-regulation, addressing the underlying sensory and self-regulation needs that impact learning. This innovative approach, incorporating research from occupational therapy and neuroscience, provides an enriched learning environment for all and addresses the needs of all students.

- **Robotics in Motion (\$4,673)**

Dale Street School's robotics program was enhanced by new Sphero Bolt+ and additional Ozobot Evo robots. These tools are essential for providing a differentiated and enriched coding experience for grade 4-5 students, bridging the gap between basic logic and complex problem-solving.



## Blake Middle School (\$6,520 total)

- **ELA Virtual Author Visit for Sixth Graders (\$595)**

Sixth Graders at Blake Middle School enjoyed a virtual author study that connected them directly with a renowned Young Adult professional writer in a structured, multi-session virtual series. This authentic literacy experience inspires creativity and motivation to read and write. The program fosters authentic learning, encourages curiosity about the writing process, and enhances academic excellence through engaging, real-world literary experiences that have a direct and lasting impact on students.

- **Community Author Visit and Book Club (\$2,304)**

James Robinson, the author of "Whale Eyes", provided engaging and informative presentations with a robust Q+A to students and staff at Blake Middle School. This successful author visit not only garnered interest and excitement in reading and participation in Blake Community Book Club, but also opened students' minds to all the different people and experiences that are out in the world.

- **Empowering Student Designers: 3D Printing (\$3,121)**

At Blake Middle School, hands-on 3D printing and design workshops are now a versatile option across content areas and grade levels. Students are empowered to visualize, iterate, and create their own ideas with intentional design. 3D printing serves as a bridge between digital creativity and engineering, fostering "inventor" mindsets and solving real-world problems.

- **Library Presentation Technology (\$500)**

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## Blake Middle School and Medfield High School (\$14,000 total)

- **Building Belonging: Cultivating Inclusive School Cultures (\$14,000)**

Comprehensive, multi-phase professional development and student engagement program that aligns faculty students and community members through shared language while equipping high school students with the tools to facilitate peer conversations and help foster inclusive, identity-affirming school cultures.

## Memorial, Wheelock, and Dale Schools (\$32,468 total)

- **Library Listening Lounge (\$3,693)**

A love of reading was fostered for all students in PreK through Grade 5 with modern, updated listening centers in the Memorial, Wheelock, and Dale Street school libraries. This program enhanced student engagement and accessibility, expanding literacy opportunities for all learners.

- **Supporting Student Behavior – Professional Development for Elementary Schools (\$28,775)**

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