




Fine Arts Boosters Award Teacher Mini-Grants

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The Fine Arts Booster Group (FABG), an affiliate of IPEI, has awarded \$3,900 in mini-grants to area Ithaca City District Schools serving 2,286 students. Funded projects include: mural making, song writing, video production, visiting performers and an art garden.

Grant funds are made possible through Fine Arts Booster Group performance booklet ad sales. The boosters produce performance booklets for middle and high school concerts and plays, totaling over thirty events each year.

The next mini-grant deadline is Fall 2013.

The Fine Arts Boosters support all the arts for all the kids. FABG strives to foster appreciation for the arts, advocate for the arts, and improve learning opportunities for all. To reach these goals, the boosters fundraise, communicate, form partnerships and give grants. The boosters invite everyone to celebrate and support the fine and performing arts in the Ithaca City School District.

Formed in 2001 as an affiliate of the Ithaca Public Education Initiative (IPEI), the boosters believe the arts – music, dance and visual, literary and theater arts – are a central part of every child’s public school education.

Ongoing FABG initiatives include printing of all the performance booklets for concerts and drama productions in the middle and high schools; fundraising; Play It Again, Ithaca, the collection of used musical instruments and monies to purchase new instruments for use in the schools; and various advocacy efforts in support of arts in the schools.

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