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Gulf Coast Educators FCU Awards 25 Classroom Mini Grants to Houston Area Educators



Picture: Tristen Brukhardt, a 4th grader in Ms. Denise Daniel’s class in Dickinson ISD, posing with problem solving games purchased with their Classroom Mini Grant.

Pasadena, TX, March 11, 2019: Gulf Coast Educators Federal Credit Union awarded 25 classroom mini grants to educators in the greater Houston area. The teachers who applied had to answer one simple question, “How would \$100 help you engage students or facilitate learning in your classroom?”

The credit union received over 100 applications from educators all over the greater Houston area, from Galveston to Splendora, and everywhere in between. All Spring 2019 Classroom Mini Grant Recipients are listed below.

Spring 2019 Classroom Mini Grant Recipients

Ashley Smith	Humble ISD
Classie Wilson	Alvin ISD
Cynthia Soto	Pasadena ISD
Daniel Bryant	Archdiocese of Galveston/Houston
Delores Whiteside	Pasadena ISD
Kelly Hollins	Pasadena ISD
Kimberly Isgur	Aldine ISD



Maggie Allen	Pasadena ISD
Melynda Wood	Pearland ISD
Robin Guimbellot	Barbers Hill ISD
Anna Lowery	Clear Creek ISD
Carry Pinkston	Dickinson ISD
Denise Daniel	Dickinson ISD
Elena Rodriguez	Deer Park ISD
Isaac Rodriguez	Pasadena ISD
John Jackson	Pasadena ISD
Kathleen Shannon	Liberty ISD
Kathy Sanchez	San Jacinto College
Katie Skelton	Pasadena ISD
Kelly Trachte	Clear Creek ISD
Lakisha Jones	Houston ISD
Leticia Gracia	Pearland ISD
Robyn Rashell	Galena Park ISD
Rosio Padilla	Houston ISD
Bonnie Farias	Pasadena ISD

“Like any special needs teacher in February, I am quite a bit tired, more like exhausted,” said one of the grant recipients. “But, you just gave me hope and the confidence I need to complete this year!”

Gulf Coast Educators FCU has been awarding classroom mini grants every year to teachers in need since 2015. However, 2019 was the first year that the credit union opened their grant application up during the spring semester.

About Gulf Coast Educators FCU: In 1948, eleven Pasadena ISD educators got together and formed what today remains a credit union dedicated to serving the financial needs of school employees in Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery or Waller Counties, Texas. The credit union offers its member-owners a full line of banking services, but through a cooperative ownership structure. To learn more about the credit union, visit www.gcefcu.org.