



Board Agenda Item #	III A: Action Item
Date:	December 10, 2020
To:	Magnolia Public Schools - Board of Directors
From:	Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent
Staff Lead:	Ismael Soto, Director of Develop and Communications
RE:	Approval of grant received for MSA-1

PROPOSED BOARD MOTION

I move that the board **approve and accept** the receipt of the CDE Foundation - California Bridging the Digital Divide grant for MSA-1 in the amount of \$80,700.

BACKGROUND

Magnolia Public Schools is a tremendous resource for families in Southern California. As we devise innovative programs to meet our students' interests and challenges and share our accomplishments, we will attract more and more friends and supporters.

The reorganized Development and Communications department will maximize opportunities for exposure and cultivate new relationships as well as support the Magnolia Board, CEO & Superintendent, and all Magnolia Science Academy's as part of an "org-wide approach."

The total amount of external financial investment will be just one measure of success: other metrics will be:

- The readiness of administrators and faculty to participate in the fundraising process
- The number of contacts made with the philanthropic community
- The number of new donors acquired
- Leadership activity levels

MSA-1's IT Manager - Julian Lopez demonstrated the school's readiness by leading this grant application effort. Follow up support and reporting was provided by the home office Development and Communications Department led by Ismael Soto.

INTRODUCTION

CDE Foundation - CA Bridging the Digital Divide (\$80,700)

This grant will go towards advancing Magnolia Science Academy-1 with 300 Chromebooks. This gift was made through the California Bridging the Digital Divide Fund that is a joint effort of the Governor's Office, State Board of Education, California Department of Education, and CDE Foundation. The CA BDD Fund is a centralized resource for state leadership to provide essential devices, connectivity, and related digital learning support for PK-12 students, teachers, and their families.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Budget implications include:

- \$80,700 grant for MSA-1: CDE Foundation - California Bridging the Digital Divide Fund

EXHIBITS (attachments):

Attachments included:

1. CDE Foundation thank you letter
2. CDE Foundation grant confirmation letter

September 29, 2020



Magnolia Science Academy - 1
18238 Sherman Way
Reseda, CA. 91335

To whom it may concern,

This letter is to confirm that CDE Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, provided an in-kind donation, a non-cash gift of physical property to Magnolia Science Academy. The donation is detailed in the table below.

Item description	# of items	Details	Donor stated fair market value
Lenovo 100E GEN2 CHROMEBOOK AMD SYST A4- 9120C 11.6IN CHROME OS 4/32GB	300	82CD0000US	\$269.00
Total Donor Stated Value			\$80,700.00

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We are glad to be able to support your district's efforts to return to learning during the pandemic given the need to rely on distance learning at this time. We are working hard in collaboration with our incredible partners to ensure that all students across the state have access to quality public education during these uncertain times. Thank you for your leadership and commitment to the children and communities that you serve.

Sincerely,

Wendy Dougherty, Chief Operating Officer

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November 2, 2020

Jessica Seybert
Operations & Events Assistant (she/her/hers)
Californians Dedicated to Education Foundation
260 Main Street, Suite 200
Redwood City, CA 94063

Dear Ms. Seybert,

I am writing on behalf of Magnolia Public Schools to express our gratitude for the California Bridging the Digital Divide grant for Magnolia Science Academy-1 totaling \$80,700.

When MSA-1 made the sudden shift to distance learning due to COVID-19, our staff, students, and families became fully reliant on technology to communicate and deliver quality education. This is why our need for functioning Chromebooks is now greater than ever.

We appreciate your support of high-quality remote learning for students. The funds will help maintain our high-quality virtual STEAM education programs that utilize an Innovation, Connection, and Excellence education model which serves over 717 students across our school.

We admire the Californians Dedicated to Education Foundation's commitment to education and assisting organizations during these unprecedented times. Thank you for including Magnolia Science Academy in this honorable effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alfredo Rubalcava".

Alfredo Rubalcava
CEO & Superintendent

Magnolia Educational and Research Foundation-95-4649884 is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization and acknowledges that no goods or services were provided to you in return for your contribution. This letter is your receipt and should be kept with your tax credit records. The charitable deduction may be disallowed if you are unable to provide this acknowledgment to the Internal Revenue Service upon request.