

PRESS RELEASE

TEACH AWARDS ALMOST \$4,000 IN MINI-GRANTS TO FIVE AREA SCHOOLS TO ENRICH CURRICULUM *Baywood Elementary Receives Two*

SAN LUIS OBISPO (March 19, 2003) --- The Endowment for the Advancement of Children (TEACH) today announced that it has granted almost \$4,000 to five area schools in an effort to foster excellence and support special classroom projects and materials. The grants were announced at the March board meeting for the San Luis Coastal Unified School District. These grants are for immediate use in the 2003 school year.

Individual grants were awarded to:

- Los Osos Middle School, \$750 for Diana Barnhart's 7th and 8th grade DNA Conference;
- San Luis High School, \$750 for Michael Lara's 10th grade Shakespeare on Tour Project - Julius Caesar;
- Sinsheimer Elementary School, \$750 for a 1st Grade Reader's Workshop;
- Baywood Elementary School, \$750 granted to the 6th grade Art Legacy Project;
- Baywood Elementary School, \$730.85 granted for 6th grade choir shirts.

The grants can be awarded in the following areas: the arts, physical education, community service and service learning, history, literacy, math, science, student health and human services, youth activities through clubs and organizations, substance abuse prevention and intervention. Another grant cycle for educators in the San Luis Coastal School District in the early fall for the 2003-2004 school year.

TEACH assets are managed by the professional money managers at the San Luis Obispo Community Foundation. To date, TEACH has raised over \$300,000 towards the endowment and continues to benefit 100's of children in the school district.

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