



UNIT 21
Skagit-Island-San Juan
School Retirees' Association

Hello Superintendents and Principals,

Each year **Unit 21** (representing Skagit, Island, and San Juan Counties) of the **Washington State School Retirees' Association** offers **mini grants** to school employees to augment activities and projects that enhance student learning. This year, due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, we are changing our guidelines. We are looking for innovative and meaningful ways to help in and out of the classroom. Grants will vary in dollar value based on number of students impacted, depth of need, and viability of success. Applications will be judged on a competitive basis by the above criteria as funds are limited and we wish to reach the greatest areas of need. Applications can be submitted by individuals, groups, or school sponsored programs. If you have a proposal that addresses the problems caused by the pandemic and would like a grant to help fund that project, please let us know by completing the simple application form included with this letter.

Mini grants are funded through donations made by WSSRA members, all of whom are dedicated to furthering the education of our young people. We want to support the modifications that you have had to institute to keep your students involved in the learning process.

We are asking that this letter and application form be forwarded to all staff in your district/school and that the staff be informed of this opportunity to apply for funding. The application process is easy, just complete and email the application form including a short paragraph describing how the funds will be utilized. We stress that **all** school employees, classified as well as certificated, can apply. All the pertinent information is on the application form. It is also available on our website sisra.org.

Unit 21 appreciates your support in this endeavor. We look forward to receiving requests from you and/or your staff – and the opportunity to help in the endeavor to offer exciting new learning opportunities to their students.

Please forward questions or concerns to our Mini Grant Chairs:

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