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Amazon Donating $200 to Teacher Projects

Fresno Unified is among just two districts in California selected for Amazon’s Teachers’ Wish List campaign. Amazon will fund up to $200 per classroom project through the nonprofit DonorsChoose, designated for schools that are racially diverse with high levels of poverty. Amazon will also donate to San Francisco Unified School District.

This funding is available to all teachers whether they currently have projects on DonorsChoose or not. The campaign will continue through the end of the school year or until funds have been dispersed. The gift is expected to be granted to hundreds of teachers in Fresno Unified on a first come, first served basis.

All but 13 of the district’s more than 100 schools will qualify for the Amazon funding under the DonorsChoose criteria that a school’s students be at least 50% Black, Latinx, Native American, Pacific Islander or multiracial, and that at least 50% of students qualify for free or reduced-price lunch.

“We’re grateful to Amazon for providing this opportunity for our teachers to fund projects based on their classroom’s unique needs,” said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

“Teachers have always been heroes in our communities and their incredible work during the pandemic to keep our students connected and thriving has been remarkable,” said Sally Kay, Amazon’s senior manager external affairs in Northern California.
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