

## LAND TRUST FUNDS SUMMARY

October 2017

Land Trust Funds are grant monies the school can receive based on a proposal written by the school and must be approved by the School Community Council, Alpine School District, and the State of Utah. We have received a little over \$70,000 for the 2017-2018 school year. This money supports our School Improvement Plan. Our plan was to improve number of students proficient in language art throughout our school. Our scores reflected positive gains in these areas.

Last year's money was used to help us reach our goals in a variety of ways. With these funds, we hired two aides that offer extra help to students that needed one-on-one instruction in grades K-6. We also hired two teachers to teach a two-week summer reading program for students about to enter 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. The Land Trust money was also used to provide our teachers with extra professional development in literacy and provide collaboration time in the summer. The summer collaboration time allowed teachers to discuss goals, share and create ideas for lessons, and develop better tools to quickly assess student understanding.

With additional funds that were given to us, we purchased touch screen Chromebooks for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. A Chromebook is designed to work primarily with the Internet and allows students to utilize programs such as Raz Kids, IXL and Lexia. These programs help teachers target deficient areas in math and language arts as well as offer extended practice to proficient students. We have seen an increase in student proficiency and feel the use of our Land Trust funds are helping to prepare our students for the future.

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