

## Alleghany Bright Ideas Winners with Grant Descriptions:

### **Dana Russell**

**Preparing Our Students for the Future, Workplace Readiness Skills** - The purpose of this grant will be to offer our Career Management students the ability to achieve credentialing in Workplace Soft Skills that are essential in demonstrating academic, technical, and future employability skills needed for post-secondary and workplace success.

### **Jill Gambill**

**Projecting Education** - All four Alleghany County Schools were represented on a trip to compete at the NC Envirothon when our bus passed a school with a large inflatable projection screen set up on their football field. Our students were immediately as excited as the hundreds of students on the field. We decided at that moment that we had discovered a county wide Bright Idea.

### **Kelly Luna**

**A Place for Dreaming** - Our goal is to create a Makerspace within our library, transforming it into a discovery and inquiry hub for student learning, research, and creativity. This will not only promote problem solving and analytical thinking, but it will also provide opportunities for students to collaborate, learn, and share with each other.

### **Crystal Royal**

**We Are Global Citizens/Lifelong World Learners** - Glade Creek School is in the second year of implementing Global Education. We feel that live-action webcams can bring distant places to life. Our students will use this technology to become self-motivated and independent. They will develop the ability and motivation to learn, adapt and take action with the help of webcams.

### **Susanne Murphy**

**Buddy Benches** - Buddy Benches will be placed on playgrounds at Piney Creek School. Students feeling alone, excluded, or are looking for a friend to play or talk to with will sit on a Buddy Bench. Students will be taught that a classmate sitting on a Buddy Bench is looking for a friend.

### **Maggie Murphy**

**Kindness is Global (year 2)** - This is our second year as a Global School and we are going global in more ways than ever! This project will fund one class set of global books with a theme of kindness for each classroom PreK-8th grade.

### **Cecelia Hampton**

**WhiteBoard World** - The project Whiteboard World will provide a platform for active involvement of students in all classes for grades four and five. Where mistakes in learning can just be brushed away, students will use the large size whiteboards to plan, share, collaborate, write, and construct meaning in all classes.