



# Nassau TRACT

## Teacher Center



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## OVER \$20,000 AWARDED IN MINI-GRANTS

Congratulations to Daniel Poplawski of Plainview-Old Bethpage, our super mini-grant winner for his project “Recycled Glass Slumping.” This project will allow students to utilize recycled glass objects and melt it into a glass slump form. Students will add glass pieces to the slump form to create unique glass art. In addition to this grant Nassau TRACT awarded 32 additional grants. Congratulations to all our mini-grant recipients. A complete list of winners can be found on the back.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COLLEGIAL CIRCLE WINNERS

**Tina Smith – East Rockaway**  
**Mary LoCascio – Mineola**  
**Kristen Laurie Beriloff – West Hempstead**

## SAVE THESE DATES FOR FULL DAY CONFERENCES

**February 10 – Student Achievement: A Result of good classroom management with Annette Breaux**

**March 19 – Literacy Day with Erin Gruwell - *Freedom Writers***

**March 30 – Tolerance and Diversity Conference**

**May 7 – Service Learning with Cathryn Berger Kaye**

**Mail-in registration only. Please check our website for more details  
[www.nassautract.org](http://www.nassautract.org) and follow the links for conferences**

### In-Service Courses

Please check [www.mylearningplan.com](http://www.mylearningplan.com) for our course catalog. Courses are posted on an ongoing basis. Winter/Spring courses are online and filling up quickly. Please check our course catalog periodically for new additions.

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Plainview-Old Bethpage: Blaise Martinelli - Sewanhaka: Dan Furnari, Laurence Mechanic - West Hempstead: Howard Popkin

**2009 MINI-GRANT WINNERS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Name of Grant</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Award</b>
Suzanne Taffet/E.Kallem	See It, Do It: Using Video Modeling to Teach Play	BOCES	\$855.00
Ann Dillon	Traveling Ellison Project Cart	BOCES	\$1,140.00
Sharon Insana	Movements Toward Learning	BOCES	\$265.00
K.T. Kamins/A.Steakin	In Living Color	BOCES	\$499.00
Elaine Cascio/J. Diaz	Enhancing Skills with Music	BOCES	\$240.00
Patricia Savage	Individual Music therapy for Children with Autism	BOCES	\$480.00
Leigh Malinsky	Home and School Connection through Literature	Carle Place	\$600.00
Rosemary Hunter	Connecting the Language Arts Through Fine Art	Carle Place	\$540.00
Eileen Hiller	"CAN DO" Science	East Rockaway	\$500.00
Audrey Bellovin	Tumble books Library to Enhance Literacy	Garden City	\$399.00
Dolores Volpe	Group Solutions: Cooperative Logic Activities	Garden City	\$400.00
Kristine Veltri	Big Book Bonanza	Garden City	\$550.00
Kristine Justino	Bountiful Browsing Boxes	Garden City	\$463.00
Anne Hayes	Food, Fitness and Fun	Garden City	\$640.00
Susan Patello	Conservation by Compost	Hewlett Woodmere	\$535.00
Mindy Albenda	Learning through Play	Hewlett Woodmere	\$550.00
Ricki Sokol	Capturing Quality Learning in the Classroom through Photo	Locust Valley	\$269.00
Melissa Friedman Melinda Spear/K. Kriesberg	Quiz games utilizing personal answering devices Children are Authors Too	Locust Valley Locust Valley	\$475.00 \$454.00
Elizabeth Cormack	Listening, Learning, Loving and Leaping into Reading	Mineola	\$279.00
Maureen Cromwell	Math Connections to Literature	Mineola	\$550.00
Dale Bennett	Little Learners: Learning in the Digital Age	Mineola	\$275.00
Maria Sant'Angelo	Personalized Photo Pillow	Mineola	\$800.00
Tracy Onorato	Math: It's Not Just Numbers	NHP/GCP	\$874.00
Sherri Winnick/P.Engel	Operation Montserrat	Plainview/Old Bethpage	\$875.00
** Daniel Poplawski	<b>Recycled Glass Slumping</b>	<b>Plainview/Old Bethpage</b>	<b>\$2,444.00 -**</b>
Donna Salomone	Calendar Project	Sewanhaka	\$500.00
Sydell Glasser	As Clear as Black and White	Sewanhaka	\$1,500.00
Giulia DiRe/E.O'Brien	Annotation Nation	Sewanhaka	\$98.00
Dianne Hawxhurst	Resource Room: Answers to the Questions	West Hempstead	\$150.00
Ellen Layburn	I've Got to Hand it To You	West Hempstead	\$475.00
Pamela Gordon	Portfolios for the Digital Generation	West Hempstead	\$925.00
Evangeline Christodoulou	Digital Ancestry: Family Trees of a Different Nature	West Hempstead	\$500.00

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