

I would like to begin by thanking you for fulfilling my *Learning with Artie & Osmo* grant last year. Unfortunately, due to COVID, I have not been able to implement the program in the way I had initially planned since students are discouraged from sharing materials in order to prevent the spread of germs. Hopefully, now that more & more people are receiving the vaccine, we will be able to begin sharing materials soon.

I did make a couple of small changes to the materials purchased because I had initially planned to purchase several Fire tablets but found out that other teachers with those tablets had begun having problems with them not working properly with our Internet/firewall. Instead, I purchased one iPad for use with the two [Artie robots](#) & the three [Osmo sets](#) that I purchased. I was also able to purchase a [Spehero Sprk+](#) with the remaining funds. Since both Artie & Sphero can be programmed using a Chromebook I feel that one iPad is enough for the time being, but would like to see more purchased eventually.

Once this program is able to be fully implemented safely I anticipate having students using the materials regularly in order to learn & hone a variety of skills, both individually & in cooperation with other students.

Thank you again for your generosity in funding this grant!

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