## Cardboard Contractors at JES

My students and I greatly appreciate being recipients of the 2024-2025 Teacher's Vision Grant from the Foundation for Public Schools in Edgefield County. This grant gave and will continue to give my students the opportunity to design and construct cardboard structures using tools made specifically for cardboard. Mini lessons were used to teach safety, how to use the tools, and basic construction ideas like, 'lefty loosey-righty tighty'. My little contractors used our Leader In Me 7 Habits to work in groups on mini projects, and started on the main builds, 'Reading Nooks'. Other groups of students are working on structures you would see in a city which will also continue into the next school year. We will invite you to our Cardboard City Open House when it is complete, or please come by to see our progress.

This is my first full year teaching in Edgefield County, and I feel very blessed to have the great support from this community for teachers and the children who are the future.

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They are measuring for the base of their Reading Nooks.



He has discovered that supports need to be added so the bookshelf will stand.



These trees are a 'work in progress'.



These are three different mini projects coming together.







5th grade GT students showing their tools and working together