

**Kristi Palma, JET Middle School
2025-2026 Teacher Vision Grant
Summary of Effectiveness**

“Engagement and Inquiry Through Informational Text”

The enrichment opportunities provided by this grant have greatly impacted my sixth grade social studies students. The inquiry and informational text materials have served as an ELA support, as well as additional experiences for my students to be more engaged with high-interest informational topics. The *Time for Kids* book sets have been valuable resources for further research about topics they have found most interesting. Also, they have enjoyed working together with peers to discuss these topics of interest and share their research. It has been meaningful for them to generate “I Wonder” questions from the texts, especially since it’s about something that genuinely ignites their curiosity. This curiosity has been contagious, and has directly resulted in more authentic, student-driven peer conversations and research. As I continue to incorporate these grant materials, I look forward to seeing how they will positively support and enrich the learning experiences of my students.