

Sampling of 2013–2014 Ed May Social Responsibility Grants

Name	Zone	Amount received	Project details
SD 17 Princeton	Okanagan	\$2,000	JA Kitchen Kids Cooking workshops for all students in the school taught by professional chefs, using food from the school garden, and including the publication of a school cookbook.
SD 27 Williams Lake	North Central	\$2,000	Empowering You A full-day of programming in a brand new school that encourages students to develop their sense of empathy and sense of connection with their peers. Includes all students in grades 7–12.
SD 85 Port McNeil	Vancouver Island North	\$1,500	Village Island Cultural Sharing Project Students and staff of the North Island Secondary School will spend the day at Village Island, Mimkwamlis, the ancestral home of the Mamalilikala people and the site of the last coastal potlatch. There will be three cultural workshops during the day for all students to take part in.
SD 68 Nanaimo	Vancouver Island North	\$2,000	Pleasant Valley Community Initiative: Focus on Aboriginal Issues All students will have opportunities throughout the year to explore literature, language, art, mathematics, guest speakers, and to participate in the creation of a school mural, a pot luck dinner, a family picnic, and an Aboriginal themed, whole school celebration of understanding attended and taught by elders from the community. This project has been running for six concurrent years with themes on Coast Salish, Inuit, Métis, and soon, Maori cultures.
SD 62 Sooke	Vancouver Island South	\$1,500	Igniting Student Voices The Global Action Grade 8 and 9 class will learn about human rights, environment, poverty, Aboriginal education, and peace and global education issues through guest speakers and will create resources to share with K–12 students, community members, and community and political leaders, at a public social justice film and idea festival.
SD 36 Surrey	Metro/Fraser Valley	\$2,000	Global Perspectives Film Making Five films will be produced by students in the Global Perspectives 12 Program on the theme “How can we create a more socially just world?”

			Their films will be showcased in the school's weekly broadcast, the school's library for teachers to access, posted on the internet, and screened at the <i>Literary Arts</i> magazine launch.
SD 39(1) Vancouver	Metro West	\$2,000	White Peace Poppies for Elementary Students Expands the thinking and activities of teachers, students, and their communities around issues of war and remembrance by increasing awareness, availability, and affordability of white peace poppies in BC schools. The white poppy project commemorates all victims of war, while challenging the beliefs, values, and institutions that make war seem inevitable.
SD 39(2) Vancouver	Metro West	\$2,000	Social Justice 12 Student Conference To bring SJ 12 students from across the city together to discuss social justice issues, increase awareness, leadership, knowledge, and social skills to take initiative on issues, engage more fully in the community, and gain a sense of empowerment. Students will leave with action plans to take back and complete at their various schools.
SD 39(2) Vancouver	Metro West	\$2,000	Spring Break Volunteer Program Engage vulnerable students in meaningful social justice volunteer activities and support youth in learning about systemic oppression.
SD 39(2) Vancouver	Metro West	\$2,000	Youth 4 Climate Justice Now Earth Day Event The 4th Annual student-run Earth Day Event with guest speakers, workshops, NGO tents, entertainment, and bands. Open to the public but targeted toward students. About 2000 attend.
SD 39(2) Vancouver	Metro West	\$1,750	Fostering Respect for First Nations Create secondary lesson plans that foster respect and empathy for First Nations Culture. Introduce students to First Nations heroes and successes. Show the strength and resilience of First Nations people and their worthiness of respect. These lesson plans will be offered to all BC social studies teachers. See TeachBC for some of the lesson plans.