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### OUSD Teachers Awarded CTAP Grants

ORANGE, Calif., April 13, 2010– The Orange County Department of Education announced recently the 2010 CTAP Educational Technology Grant Winners. The Orange Unified School District was tied for the most grants awarded in the county with four. The grants awarded ranged from \$3,000 to \$7,000. CTAP stands for California Technology Assistance Project. The mission of CTAP is to provide assistance in integrating technology into teaching and learning. The following are OUSD grantees and a description of their projects:

Anaheim Hills Elem.	La Veta Elementary	Olive Elementary	Villa Park Elem.
Delia Hawley	Carol Baumont	Karen Parrish	Scott Williams
Pam Verdone	Cary Borner	Lori Saulten	
	Lanette Gutman	Lisa Leon	

**Anaheim Hills Elementary:** “The Problem with Words” is a project that will allow students to become familiar with language skills, and number sense, while using logical reasoning and technology to become successful problem solvers. Students will also benefit from peer teaching opportunities while applying math and language skills using the Smart Board and Elmo projectors. Students will also have access to a Smart Slate and Senteo Smart Response System for assessments.

**La Veta Elementary:** Project “*E-Xpression*” will use technology to improve the Language Arts skills of diverse learners. Teachers will use SMART Notebook software and interactive whiteboards in order to meet the visual, kinesthetic, and auditory needs of learners. Students will create comprehensive presentations using Thinking Maps in Inspiration software and using them in Smart Notebook presentations.

**Olive Elementary:** "The British are Coming!" In ***Paul Revere's Run***, school-age Sons and Daughters of Liberty will run the twenty miles of Paul Revere's historic 1755 midnight ride. At least three days a week, Olive School's fifth grade patriots will measure their resting heart rates, take off for a twenty minute run, use individual stopwatches to measure their heart rates again and record them for graphing using a software program.

**Villa Park Elementary:** “Science Live!” project will allow students to cooperatively work together in small groups with news anchors and reporters to create a news show about science. Groups will work together to find videos that correlate to a chapter in the Science book create a script paraphrasing the information from the chapter and perform a live news show using the videos as their background image.

*The Orange Unified School District is located at 1401 North Handy Street in Orange, CA*

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