

**Franklin-Simpson Educational Excellence Foundation, Inc. GRANT APPLICATION**

**Applicant Name & Position:** J'Nora McCutchen-Anderson, Principal  
**Amount Requested:**

**Purpose of Funding:** SKYPAC theatrical performance aligned to Amplify CKLA

**Targeted Grade Levels:** Kindergarten

**Amount Requested:** \$4000

**Number of Students/Persons Affected by Grant:** 230 kindergarten students

**Academic Area:** Reading, Language Arts Fine arts Community

**Brief Summary of Project:** Kindergarten students at FES are developing social emotional skills through explicit SEL (Social Emotional Learning) lessons that address themes like friendship and sharing with others. Also, in Language Arts, they have studied a unit of classic stories that focused on developing an awareness of language and recurring themes in children's literature. In April, there will be a focus on introducing environmental awareness and conservation as they become familiar with the earth's natural resources, like the ocean, and how people's actions affect the environment. At FES, the faculty believes that attending a theatrical performance of Rainbow Fish at SKYPAC in March 2024 would be a great tie in both academic language arts standards and social development skills, as well as set an interest in the upcoming unit in April.

**Address of School/Organization:** 211 S. Main St. Franklin, Ky 42134

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**Grant Cycle Submitted:** November

**Required Signatures Simpson County Schools: Principal/Supervisor**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Superintendent

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Community

**Organizations:** Grant

Prepared J'Nora Anderson Title Principal Date 11-07-23 Board

Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Revised

A. The mission at Franklin Elementary School is to provide a learning environment that will enable each child to reach his/her own potential. By witnessing a live performance of the story “Rainbow Fish” by Marcus Pfister, students will be able to see the story they have studied in the classroom brought to life. They will also make SEL connections to common themes such as *making friends* and *sharing is best*. This will help our kindergartners have experiences that will aid in reaching each student’s potential. On March 29th, 2024, BGOnStage will perform “Rainbow Fish” at SKYPAC in Bowling Green, KY. We partnered with the organization, Arts of Southern Kentucky, to receive discounted rates of \$7 per student with 1 free adult per 10 students. FES Kindergartners and their chaperones will leave school and travel by bus to Bowling Green, KY around 8am and be seated at SKYPAC by 9:30 start time. Immediately following the performance, students will walk across the street to Circus Square Park for lunch. Lunch will be sack lunches provided by FES. We should return back to school by no later than 2pm. At this time, teachers will make connections to review unit 2 classic story elements. Specifically, connections will be made to the story elements of character, setting, problem, and solution. Connections to SEL and the theme of a story will also be made and discussed, such as friendships and sharing. This will also set the stage and provide schema for the upcoming unit about the earth’s natural resources, including the ocean, and people’s affects on our natural resources.

#### Timeline:

##### Prior to March 29, 2024

- Explicitly teach story structures of classic tales and fiction texts
- Explicitly teach SEL topics making friends and sharing

##### March 29, 2024

- Depart from FES at 8:15am after grab and go breakfast
- 9:30am SKYPAC’s performance of Rainbow Fish
- 11:45 sack lunch
- 2:00pm arrive back at FES

After March 29, 2024

- Prepare for Unit 11 Taking Care of the Earth. Make connections to Rainbow Fish and all the characters that live under the sea.

B. The outcome of this project will be the schema, vocabulary, and knowledge built throughout the project's timeline. There will be an assessment at the end of Unit 11. Students and teachers can be surveyed for the effectiveness of the project and timeline. Students will be able to express their new found knowledge and experiences through verbal, written, and artistic communication.

### C. BUDGET

As stated, we partnered with Arts of Southern Kentucky to receive a discounted rate for the student tickets and free tickets for a limited number of staff. Attached are quotes from Simpson County Schools Bus Transportation and Arts of Southern Kentucky's quote for tickets.

SCS Bus Quote that includes all costs associated is \$2,000. The ASK quote for tickets that includes all costs is \$2,000. FES is asking the FSEEF to cover the cost of the tickets and transportation at a grand total of \$4,000.

D. The mission of the Franklin Simpson Educational Excellence Foundation, Inc. is "to supplement existing educational opportunities through funding to educators and community organizations in order to facilitate effective learning." This educational experience will supplement the implementation of a newly adopted curriculum CKLA Amplify that addresses not only the latest research in Science of Reading but also provides a knowledge building component that incorporates science and social studies standards and concepts. Those who know kindergarten aged students know that they must have concrete and hands-on learning experiences. Some of the students, being that 65% of our population is free/reduced lunch, may have never viewed a live performance outside of an opportunity such as this one. By helping

teachers build schema and engaging students with a theatrical performance, students will experience language arts education at a much higher level, and may even heighten their love of language and the arts. FES simply can't wait to see our students' faces in awe of such a beautiful theater as the story they love comes to life!



# INVOICE



Date: October 26, 2023

Invoice #:

EDUFranklinEleRainbow03292024

For: **J'Nora Anderson**

SKyPAC School Day Performance

Arts of Southern Kentucky  
601 College Street  
P.O. Box 748  
Bowling Green, KY 42102  
270-904-5000

Bill To:  
Franklin Elementary  
211 S Main Street  
Franklin, KY 42134

<u>DESCRIPTION:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>
<b>BG OnStage presents</b> <b>Rainbow Fish</b> <b>Friday, March 29, 2024 @ 9:30 a.m. at SKyPAC's Rita &amp; Jim Scott Concert Hall</b> <b>- \$7 per student ticket/ 230 students</b> <b>- 1 free adult per 10 students/ 23 free adults, 25 @ \$7</b>	<b>\$1610</b> <b>+ \$175</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1785</b>
	<b>Amount Owed</b>

Make all checks payable to **Arts of Southern Kentucky**

Payment (cash/check) is preferred prior to the performance but is due NO LATER than day of the show.

Send payment to:

Arts of Southern Kentucky  
c/o Elise Charny  
P.O. Box 748  
Bowling Green, KY 42102

If you have any questions concerning this invoice, contact Elise Charny.

(270) 904-5016 or [echarny@artsofsky.org](mailto:echarny@artsofsky.org)

\* Your invoice may be adjusted any time **PRIOR TO Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 9:30am** (48 hours before the show date/time), if space allows. Your invoice will NOT be adjusted under 48 hours from the performances start time. If you have **not** notified us prior to 48 hours of an adjustment, and your count has lowered, **you are still responsible for the amount on your most recent invoice and if there is a missing amount, your school will be invoiced the difference.** If you have **not** notified us prior to **Wednesday, March 27 at 9:30am** of an adjustment and your count has increased, **we cannot guarantee that there will be seating for that increased amount.** We will do our best to accommodate, but every performance is different. You will also be responsible for the increased ticket total for that increase in attendees.

**From:** Pamela Shaffer <[pamela.shaffer@simpson.kyschools.us](mailto:pamela.shaffer@simpson.kyschools.us)>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2023 10:31 AM  
**To:** Michelle Humphrey <[michelle.humphrey@simpson.kyschools.us](mailto:michelle.humphrey@simpson.kyschools.us)>  
**Subject:** Bus Quote

Estimated Quote for a field trip to SkyPac in Bowling Green  
5 buses and 5 drivers at 6 hours and 324 miles  
531.36 Fuel Estimated Cost

782.70 Salary Estimated Cost

**\$1314.06 Total Estimated Cost**

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Pam Shaffer  
Assistant Transportation Manager  
Simpson County Schools