

Sacaton Elementary School District

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SACATON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT AWARDED GRANT UNDER THE SAFER SCHOOLS IN AMERICA INITIATIVE BY GLOBAL GRID FOR LEARNING.

SESD RECEIVES GRANT FROM GLOBAL GRID FOR LEARNING FOR SAFER SCHOOLS IN AMERICA INITIATIVE

Sacaton, Arizona 2.8.2019 – Sacaton Elementary School District is pleased to announce it has received a \$150,000 grant (\$50,000 per year for 3 years) from the Safer Schools in America Initiative. These funds will support the adoption and usage of school safety EdTech products from leading education providers and the resulting impact research for the next three years at no cost to the district. The **Safer Schools in America Impact Initiative Grant** is aimed at addressing the need for quality research about the expansive range of activities that comprise safe teaching and learning environments.



These include emotional, physical and digital safety as well as emergency preparedness, school facilities, culture, and community engagement--areas our district and the broader research community believe are critical to great teaching and learning. Our participation will allow us to be part of the larger evaluation community as we seek cost-effective EdTech solutions for our classrooms and educators.

“This grant will provide the SESD staff with highly effective strategies to be utilized within the classroom.” Superintendent Cherryl Paul

“This partnership will provide exceptional opportunities to support district goals and key strategic priority areas through the actions of continuous improvement that will benefit all.” Amanda Billings, Manager of Data Analysis and Continuous Improvement

About Global Grid for Learning (GG4L) - Embracing the belief that our nation's education system impacts our future, GG4L is building innovative public and private partnerships mindfully structured to harness the power of data to solve big school challenges such as school safety, literacy, college, and career readiness and student wellness. With privacy and security top of mind, GG4L's 3-way partnership between schools, industry, and philanthropy, actively champions continuous cycles of improvement informed by data. By facilitating affordable access to proven solutions and efficacy data, GG4L fuels rapid innovation in education. As a membership-based Public Benefit Corporation, GG4L is committed to voluntarily meeting higher standards of corporate purpose, accountability, and transparency.

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