

The Learning Academy of Teton Valley Receives Grant from the Idaho Community Foundation

The Learning Academy of Teton Valley received a grant in the amount of \$3223.00 from the Friends of Teton Valley Special Project Fund in the Idaho Community Foundation. The grant was awarded to fund the purchase of science equipment for students in Pre-Kindergarten through grade 12.

With these generous grant monies, Learning Academy students have enjoyed exploring and experimenting with new microscopes, weights and measures, simple machines, animal tracks and x-rays, DNA models and much more. Students have created chemical reactions and modeled atoms, have measured wind speed and temperature, and have learned the value of knowing which direction they are headed using their compasses and mapping kits. Science is such a vital proponent of any curriculum and because of the Idaho Community Foundation, Learning Academy students' science experiences have been invaluablely enhanced.

The Learning Academy of Teton Valley is an accredited, non-profit Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12 independent school. They offer a challenging, academic curriculum, small, multi-age classes, hands-on, experiential learning, travel, Spanish language classes, character development, environmental and community stewardship, and most importantly, an opportunity for students of all learning abilities to shine academically while working at their own pace. For more information about The Learning Academy of Teton Valley, please call 208.354.7898 or stop by their big, red building just south of Driggs.

The Idaho Community Foundation is a statewide nonprofit organization composed of over 370 individual funds, pooled together for efficient management. Total assets are just over \$72 million. Since its inception in 1988, ICF has made charitable distributions totaling more than \$37 million. The ICF attracts assets from a wide range of donors within and outside the state of Idaho. It manages and invests its assets primarily as permanent endowment. Return from the endowment is distributed to charitable organizations as grants aimed at enriching the quality of life throughout Idaho. The ICF encourages citizens to join as member to help support the statewide philanthropic outreach mission. To learn more about the foundation or to join as a member, please visit ICF's website at www.idcomfdn.org or call 800-657-5357.