



## Historical – Laura Baker Professional Learning Grant

*Named and founded in memory of one of Murray's outstanding community leaders – including 22 years of service on the Murray Board of Education – Laura Baker was an important advocate of professional development among Murray educators. Though she passed away in 2011, her legacy for love of learning continues in the recipients of the annual grants given in her name. These awards are administered annually through the Murray Education Foundation.*



### **2022-23 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Shelley Phillips, Hillcrest Jr. High Special Education  
Cyndi Ralston, Liberty Elementary School Social Work  
Jennifer Ketchoyian, Murray High School Social Work

### **2021-22 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

- Catherine Bigelow, Occupational Therapist, MCS D Assistive Technology Team
- Harmony Kryger, Elementary ESL Instructional Coach
- Heather Wihongi, Riverview Jr. High English/Journalism Teacher
- Mary Wilde, Parkside Elem. Intervention Specialist (1st – 3rd Grade)
- Heather Preece, Murray High School Social Worker
- Susan Holden, Horizon Elementary Social Worker

### **2020-21 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Breanna Tomlinson, Murray High School Special Education  
Michelle Bouwman, Parkside Elementary School Social  
Cyndi Ralson, Liberty Elementary/Hillcrest Social Work  
Lidia Delgado, Parkside Elementary Teacher  
Sierra Marsh, Grant Elementary Social Work  
Claire Meier, District Office Technology Coach  
Geri Smith, District Office Technology Coach  
Mike Roberts, Hillcrest Jr. High Instructional Coach  
Melia Fidel, Murray High School Media Center  
Amber Rydalch, Murray High School Instructional Coach  
Lora Bonham, Parkside Elementary Social Work  
Catherine Bigalow, Murray School District

### **2019-20 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Cara Cerise, Parkside Elementary  
Michelle Bouwman, Parkside Elementary  
Katie Jepson, Murray High School

### **2018-19 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Geri Smith, MCS D Elementary Technology Coach  
Lynn Gutzwiller, MCS D Secondary Technology Coach

### **2017-18 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Jennie LaFortune, MHS English Teacher  
Patti McConnell, Riverview Computer Teacher

### **2016-17 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Deb Ashton, DO Coordinator/Court Liaison Prevention Prog.  
Zachary Giddings, MHS Instrumental Music Instructor

### **2015-16 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Laurel Brown, Speech Language Pathologist & Adult Transition  
Amber Rydalch, MHS Instructional Coach

### **2014-15 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Shawn Johnson, Horizon Elementary School Psychologist  
Heather Wihongi, Riverview JH English Teacher

### **2012-13 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Michael Paap, Hillcrest Math Teacher  
Heather Preece, Murray High School Success

### **2013-14 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Haley Binggeli, Murray HS Math Teacher  
Tracy Findlay, Liberty Elementary 2nd grade teacher

### **2011-12 Laura Baker Professional Learning Grants**

Cambria Demke, Riverview English  
Rebecca Elder, McMillan Elementary 4th grade