The Mt. Hood Cable Regulatory Commission and AT&T Broadband recently gave some local schools, community organizations and the City of Portland a boost toward using advanced communications technology. The Commission granted funds to four projects that use community access channels for distribution to provide needed community and educational services. Project grants totaled over $126,000.

**PROJECT GRANT SUMMARY**

**Reynolds High School: Field Cameras and Equipment**

Total Grant Funds: $10,504.88  
Contact Person: Teresa Osborne, 503-667-3186

This grant provides funding for the purchase of two complete field camera and production sets to supplement the Reynolds High School Media & Society classes. Through a partnership with Multnomah Community Television (MCTV), students will be trained in camera, editing, and studio work and will produce video segments to air on MCTV’s news show, East Metro Community News (EMC News).

Project partners include Multnomah Community Television (MCTV).

Matching resources for the project total $25,985.

**Portland Public Schools: Hola Hola Middle School Pilot Project**

Total Grant Funds: $57,666  
Contact Person: Dr. Marilyn Richen, 503-916-3220

This grant will help the District establish the infrastructure needed to begin to articulate the Hola Hola Spanish language program from the elementary grade level into the middle schools. Grant funds will be used to install cable wiring in a total of 37 classrooms and to purchase cable-ready television receivers. The training accessibility is critical to enable students to meet State of Oregon second-language requirements. Language training programs will be carried over Channel 53 and be received in the classrooms. The project will also help foster partnerships among schools, families, higher education, community based organizations and business representatives in support of sequential foreign language in middle schools.

Specific project partners include the Hispanic Access Center/Centro Latino, Portland Fire Bureau, Oregon Council for Hispanic Advancement, Mexican Consulate, Concordia University, Portland State University and PPS District middle schools.

Matching resources for the project total $36,815.
Portland Public Schools: Cable Channel 28 Video Editor Project

Total Grant Funds: $13,900
Contact Person: Willie Brosseau, 503-916-5838

This project helps Portland Public Schools – Television Services (TVS) to improve the quality and quantity of productions it creates for Cable Channel 28 to disseminate information throughout the district and the educational community at-large. Grant funds will be used to purchase a non-linear editing system to enhance TVS’s production capacity. Increased editing capacity will give TVS producers a wider, faster pathway to successful productions and result in better programs and information for viewers served. TVS productions serve 54,000 students, 6,100 staff, home schoolers, and other school districts in the greater Portland area.

Project partner is the Portland Public School district and the 77 different departments within the district.

Matching resources for the project total $13,052.

Portland Art Museum NW Film Center: Animation Academy

Total Grant Funds: $43,967
Contact Person: Ellen Thomas, 503-

This three-year grant will support the NW Film Center in conduction the Animation Academy, a special initiative of the Center’s Filmmakers-in-the-Schools outreach program. The Academy will use digital moving media, one of the most pervasive influences in the lives of youth today, to foster positive self-imaging, self-expression, academic performance and an interest in the community in roughly 150 young adults ages 8-19 from schools, alternative learning centers and social service programs in the Portland area.

Project partners for this project include the Portland Public Schools School to Work Program and Saturday Academy.

Matching resources for the project total $82,744.