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### **Local Schools Receive Grants**

**ELKIN, N.C.** – The ExxonMobil Educational Alliance program has awarded eight local schools with \$500 grants. The grants were awarded the first week of November to the principals of Elkin Elementary, Elkin High, Jonesville Elementary, Boonville Elementary, Yadkinville Elementary, Granite Falls Elementary, Kernersville Elementary and East Wilkes Middle School. The grants will be used for different purposes at each school but include: computer learning programs, fund field trips, reading programs, high school band equipment and general education needs.

The staff of GB Express/G&B Energy worked with school officials to secure eight grants for schools in their service area. The Exxon Mobil Corporation annually supplies funding for 4,000 grants. The educational grants are available to schools across the country served by Exxon or Mobil gas stations

“These schools work diligently to make learning interesting and fun. As Exxon retailers, we are proud to work with school administrators to secure funding they most desperately need,” said G&B President, Jeff Eidson.

The grants were awarded on behalf of GB Express stores in Elkin, Granite Falls,

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Kernersville and Jonesville, along with State Road Grocery, H.G. Greene's Grocery, Williams and Gentry Grocery and Boonville Quik Pik.

The ExxonMobil Educational Alliance program is designed to provide Exxon and Mobil retailers with an opportunity to invest in the future of their communities through educational grants to neighborhood schools. ExxonMobil believes that, as members of the community, local retailers are best qualified to work with local educators to help identify schools and programs most in need of support.

Over the last six years GB Express/G&B Energy has worked with the ExxonMobil Foundation to obtain 25 grants totaling \$15,000. GB Express operates eight convenience stores in Surry, Yadkin, Forsyth and Caldwell counties. For more information visit [www.gbexpress.biz](http://www.gbexpress.biz).