

# **WEST OSO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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## **West Oso Junior High School RECEIVES STEM GRANT FROM TOSHIBA AMERICA FOUNDATION FOR \$3,975**

West Oso Junior High School is pleased to announce it has received a \$3,975 STEM grant from the Toshiba America Foundation (TAF). These funds will support the STEM Academy.

Ms. Christina Campos, STEM Coordinator stated “As a STEM educator, my hope is to place the power of coding in the hands of my students. I have done extensive research on the Raspberry Pi's, and what I have learned is that there are so many different types of projects that can be done with the small computer. The students are able to optimize their knowledge and skills in computer science by building the following projects: solar LED street lights using solar power, an electric skateboard, a camera, a digital calendar, and so many more.”

Toshiba America Foundation's grants fund projects designed by individual classroom teachers. This “direct-to-teacher” approach brings immediate results. Teachers are able to change the way they teach Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) subjects because the grant supports equipment for hands-on experiments and inquiry-based approaches to the curriculum. At TAF, we believe that STEM is a lot more fun than just reading a textbook. TAF grants provide teachers with the tools they need to be more effective educators. The grants make the classroom a more exciting place for both teachers and students.

## **West Oso ISD**

**Our Mission:** Enrich and build a progressive school community through relevant and diverse opportunities. Students will explore and identify career interests and pathways.

**Our Vision:** Embrace real world education to ensure self-reliant and socially responsible citizens.

### **About Toshiba America Foundation**

Founded in 1990 with support from Toshiba Corporation and the Toshiba America Group Companies, Toshiba America Foundation (TAF) is a non-profit grant making organization dedicated to helping classroom teachers make STEM learning fun and successful for K to 12 students in U.S. schools. TAF grants support public and nonprofit private schools throughout the United States. For more information, please visit: [www.toshiba.com/taf](http://www.toshiba.com/taf).