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## **Westside Elementary Awarded \$5,000 Grant**

Thanks to the extra work of teachers De Ann Karl and Beverly Ruby, Westside Elementary is the recipient of a \$5,000 Learning and Leadership Grant from the NEA (National Education Association) Foundation for the Improvement of Education.

These funds will be used to provide Guided Language Acquisition Development (GLAD) training for Westside Elementary teachers. GLAD is a model of professional development in the area of language and literacy.

Westside Elementary staff will work collaboratively as a professional learning community to implement new and effective GLAD strategies, measure results and continue efforts to improve the achievement of English learners.

“I am impressed with (Westside’s) innovative ideas and am looking forward to learning more about accomplishments,” stated NEA Foundation Grant Manager, Jesse Graytock, who will monitor their progress during the year long grant period.

*Westside Elementary is located at 6537 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Rio Linda and is part of the Twin Rivers Unified School District.*

*Project GLAD promotes an educational setting that produces effective, literate citizens of a global society. It is a model of respect for diversity not only in language and ethnicity, but, also, in thinking, learning, and personal experiences. It provides support for teachers and students alike to face change and success effectively and confidently.*

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