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TECUMSEH PUBLIC SCHOOL RECIPIENT OF THE FUTURE SHOP TECH LAB GRANT

Tecumseh Public School in Chatham is the recipient of a technology grant worth \$19,699.00 thanks to The Future Shop's Tech Lab Grant Program. Out of nearly three hundred applications, Tecumseh was one of twelve elementary schools selected to receive funding to expand their existing initiatives. The team developed a program called MADE by Tecumseh, which will equip the school with a wide range of digital equipment including 3-D printers, robotics kits, circuitry modules, netbooks and mobile devices. They will augment their current offerings to students to include a rotating menu of workshops in digital construction so that students can create real-world products and solutions.

Future Shop Tech Lab grants provide financial support for schools looking to improve technology in classrooms to help foster and advance learning. This year was the second time that Tech Lab grants were offered to elementary schools and the first year that dedicated grants were made available for schools looking to enhance technology in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) programs. Future Shop Tech Lab grants are one of the programs offered to support students and education under the Best Buy Canada community investment pillar.

At Tecumseh Public School, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) initiatives are fully integrated into the classroom. Students make use of a suite of digital tools that allow them to code and design virtual models that bring the learning environment to life.

In the upcoming weeks, Tecumseh Public School will be purchasing items needed to bring MADE by Tecumseh to life.

The Future Shop team will be at Tecumseh Public School on February 26, 2015 to present the cheque between 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Media are welcome.

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