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**Bronson, Michigan** –Bronson Community Schools has won a sizeable grant designed to improve math and science skills. The Bronson Community School District has been named the only \$25,000 grant recipient in the state of Michigan for America’s Farmers Grow Rural Education.

The program is sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, which was celebrated with a check presentation on Friday, October 9, 2015 at the halftime of Bronson high school’s home football game.

The grant, “Growing Our Math Skills With Tablets” will allow the district to purchase more tablets to use in the elementary classrooms with mathematics applications. “We’ve already experienced increases and growth in our English Language Arts programs linked to technology use in the elementary classroom, “ says Superintendent Dr. Teresa Belote.

High School Science Teacher Lisa Franks applied for the grant with the help and nomination from the local farming community. Franks adds, “This will help build a solid foundation for students in science, technology, engineering, and math.”

Since 2011, America’s Farmers Grow Rural Education has invested over \$9 million in public school districts to enhance science and math skills.

Bronson Community Schools, in partnership with students, parents, staff, and the community, provide a nurturing environment where students learn in safety; maintain a place of excellence where students can achieve full potential in their academic, creative, personal, physical, and moral development; and develop lifelong learners who function effectively in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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Teacher Lisa Franks with local farmers (who nominated the grant application) accepts the check from Monsanto.