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Afterschool Program

Michael and Susan Dell

Description: The United States educational system is plagued by a persistent achievement gap among students from different economic circumstances, and racial and ethnic backgrounds. To close this gap, improve student performance and increase graduation rates among affected students, fund programs that focus on:

- [Performance-driven education](#)
- [Quality school options](#)
- [Academic and after-school programs](#)

Eligibility: Before starting an Online Grant Proposal you will be asked a series of brief questions about your organization and proposed project. The questions have been designed to determine if your organization and project meet basic eligibility requirements for Michael & Susan Dell Foundation funding. Answering the eligibility requirements questions should take less than five minutes.

Award Amounts: Michael & Susan Dell Foundation has approved grants ranging from \$500 to several million dollars. As a guideline, the foundation generally will not fund more than 25% of a project's budget or more than 10% of an organization's total annual operating expenses.

Requirements: Foundation staff will review the Online Grant Proposal and respond via e-mail within six weeks. If we find the proposed project to be aligned with the mission of the foundation, you will be asked to complete a formal Grant Application for funding.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.msdf.org/grants/apply/>

Pitney Bowes Foundation

Description: Support will be given to literacy and education programs that focus on workforce preparation and giving individuals the skills they will need to succeed by partnering with a limited number of national organizations and with local non-profit organizations. Preference will be given to early childhood education, After-school programs, Mentoring programs, Literacy programs and Job training programs.

Eligibility: Organizations that have been approved by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as 501(c)(3) public charities, and Government institutions such as schools and libraries.

Award Amount: Dependent on the size of the project

Requirements: Organizations must apply via the online system and only submit one grant request per year.

States: Bridgeport, CT, Danbury, CT, Hartford CT, Shelton, CT and Stamford, CT.
Washington, DC, Boston/Waltham, MA, Albany/Troy, NY, Grand Rapids, MI,
Spokane, WA, Appleton, WI and Chesapeake, VA

Application Opens: Grant application deadlines are January 15 and June 1 of each year. Organizations may apply for funding only once in a calendar year.

<http://www.pb.com/docs/US/pdf/Our-Company/Corporate-Responsibility/Literacy-and-Education-Grant-Application.pdf>

<http://www.pitneybowes.com/us/our-company/corporate-responsibility/community/literacy-and-education.html>

The Arts

Brinker International Foundation

Description: The objective of the Brinker International Foundation is to support programs and projects that are affiliated with Children/Family, Arts, Civic, and University related educational programs.

Eligibility: Public or Private Schools, Public Libraries

Award Amount: Based on the project and the request

Requirements: Brinker International's Charitable Committee must have the following information from organizations requesting donations. This information must be submitted on the organization's official letterhead.

- The exact amount requested and the specific purpose for the donation briefly summarized on 1-2 typewritten pages.
- The request should detail how the donations will be used.
- Information about your organization, including proof of 501(c)(3) status and sources of funding.
- Information, if any, concerning past or current involvement of Brinker International employees with the organization.
- We may also come back and ask for the organization's current Board of Directors, including their business and civic affiliations, as well as the organization's recent financial statements. Requests that do not meet the requirements of the Brinker Charitable Committee will not be considered.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.brinker.com/company/givingback.asp#gui>

Ezra Jack Keats Minigrant

Description: Created by the children's book author and illustrator, the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation. Come up with a creative program that can be enacted by students with their teacher or librarian.

Programs funded in the past have included:

- an ongoing pen pal project bringing together disparate communities
- a multicultural portrait project
- an art project culminating in an art show, a mural, or a quilt
- bookmaking
- creating and performing a puppet show
- an intergenerational journal or activity

Regard these programs as examples of the direction your project might take...we encourage new ideas.

Eligibility: Public schools and public libraries are eligible for the EJK Minigrant Program. Preschool Head Start programs are also invited to apply for Minigrants. *Only* public organizations are eligible – private, parochial and charter schools should *not* apply.

Award Amount: \$500.00

Requirements: EJK Minigrants were designed to make the most of the time teachers and librarians spend with their students. If a program is innovative, imaginative and inspiring, we will be interested in considering it for support. In such cases we will consider funding the purchase of books, equipment and materials. To be considered, the proposed program must be supported solely by the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation.

States: We fund institutions and programs within the United States, including Puerto Rico and Guam.

Application Deadline: 11:59 p.m., March 15, of each year. Notification of status will be emailed to everyone by the end of May.

<http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/minigrant-program/minigrant-application/>

Kinder Morgan Foundation

Description: Focus Areas

- Academic programs, including tutoring
- Arts education programs
- Environmental education programs that work with local schools and meet curriculum standards

Eligibility: In the US, Non-profits, public schools and private schools may apply. In Canada, non-profits and private schools must provide documentation that enables us to determine that the organization is the equivalent of a U.S. public charity.

Award Amount: Award amounts range from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Requirements: Focus areas are Academic programs, including tutoring, Arts education programs and Environmental education programs that work with local schools and meet curriculum standards.

States: US and Canada. Kinder Morgan must have operations in the community served by the program. General location information is available on the [About Us](#) page.

Application Opens: The deadline for submitting applications is the 10th of every other month beginning in January.

http://www.kindermorgan.com/community/km_foundation_guidelines.cfm

Meemic Foundation

Description: Grants are available for a variety of programs, including: Arts, Behavior Modification, Cross-Curricular, Health/Physical Education, History, Literature, Math, Science, Social Studies, Special Needs, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and Technology.

Funding is also available for a variety of projects, including: Classroom projects, Field trips, School assemblies and Professional development for educators.

Eligibility: Public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Each grant proposal is evaluated based on the following criteria: Demonstrated need, Project potential for having a lasting impact on students, How the program relates to classroom instruction or a school or school district improvement goal, Ability to replicate the project for future use and Cost effectiveness.

States: Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.meemic.com/the-meemic-foundation.aspx>

National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards

Description: The National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award is the Nation's highest honor for out-of-school arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America's young people, particularly those from underserved communities. This award recognizes and supports excellence in programs that open new pathways to learning, self-discovery, and achievement. Each year, the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards recognize 12 outstanding programs in the United States, from a wide range of urban and rural settings.

Eligibility: After-school and out-of-school time arts and humanities programs sponsored by museums, libraries, performing arts organizations; educational institutions (e.g., preschools; elementary, middle, and high schools; universities; and colleges), arts centers, community service organizations, businesses, and eligible government entities are encouraged to consider submitting an application.

Award Amount: 12 \$10,000 awards

Requirements: Completed applications will only be accepted via the online process.

States: All

Application Deadline: January 31

<http://www.nahyp.org/how-to-apply/>

National Endowment for the Arts – Art Works Grant

Description: We support three types of projects:

- Direct Learning Grants to increase student knowledge and skills in the arts. Projects must provide extended participatory learning that engages students with accomplished artists and arts educators, align with either national or state arts education standards, and rigorously assess student learning.
- Professional Development Grants to deepen knowledge and strengthen the practice of educators and/or civic leaders who engage students in arts learning. Projects must provide meaningful opportunities for participants to experience the arts, provide in-depth learning over a sustained period of time, and measure the impact of the professional development experience.
- Collective Impact Grants to ensure that all students across entire schools, school districts, and/or states – in communities of all sizes – participate in the arts over time. Projects must be either for emerging new work or for sustaining and growing established networks that are proven to increase arts education for all students. Projects will also have significant potential to be shared and customized in communities across the country. Longer project periods are encouraged, and larger grant amounts may be awarded for these projects.

Eligibility: Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S. organizations; units of state or local government; or federally recognized tribal communities or tribes may apply. Applicants may be arts organizations, local arts agencies, arts service organizations, local education agencies (school districts)

Award Amount: \$10,000 to \$100,000

Requirements: Applicants should consider what role their proposed project plays within this system, and how their project impacts students. Funded projects will utilize and test innovative strategies, or scale up proven methodologies, for increasing access to arts education for more students

States: All

Application Deadline: February and July

<http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/art-works/arts-education>

P. Buckley Moss Foundation for Children's Education Grants

Description: For projects within schools serving all children (including students who learn differently) pre-K-12, that integrates the arts into educational programs. The purpose for this grant is to aid and support teachers who wish to establish or maintain an effective learning tool using the visual arts within the school day. The project can support either a new or evolving program that integrates the arts into educational programming.

Eligibility: Teachers in grades K through 12

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: The P. Buckley Moss Foundation for Children's Education reserves the right to publish and distribute the ideas, teaching techniques and strategies submitted by the applicants for these grants. In addition, recipients receiving grants will be required to provide us with a written report documenting the progress and accomplishments of their project, along with digital photos that can be used on our website.

States: All

Application Deadline: September 30

<http://mossfoundation.org/teacher-art-grants>

PNC Grow Up Great Early Childhood Grant

Description: The PNC Foundation supports educational programs for children and youth, particularly early education initiatives that serve low-and moderate-income children (birth through age five), their teachers and families. Priority is given to programs that focus in the areas of math, science, the arts or financial education and include one or some combination of the following; Direct services for children in their classroom or community, Professional development for teachers, Family engagement in the early education of children being served by grants and Volunteer opportunities for PNC employees.

Eligibility: Organizations receiving support from the PNC Foundation must have a current Internal Revenue Service tax-exempt designation and be eligible to receive charitable contributions. In addition, the proposed activity must occur in a community where PNC has a significant presence.

Award Amount: Varies

Requirements: Beginning in January 2014, the PNC Foundation and Community Affairs functions within PNC will implement a web-based application process for grants from the PNC Foundation and charitable sponsorships from PNC Bank, NA. This significant change is one that will save your organization time and improve your organization's ability to submit and track the status of these applications.

States: Mid and Northeast US. The PNC Foundation conducts all philanthropic giving regionally. Please address all inquiries and grant proposals directly to the local PNC representative listed for your particular region. http://www.pncsites.com/pncfoundation/foundation_grantProcess.html

Application Deadline: Ongoing

http://www1.pnc.com/pncfoundation/foundation_grantProcess.html

Bullying and Tolerance

Ben Cohen StandUp Foundation Grants

Description: We review requests and award grants to support work that helps stop bullying, helps those hurt by bullying and/or helps increase equality and diversity in sports.

Eligibility: Must be designated a 501c3 public charity.

Award Amount: We generally prefer to make smaller, more frequent grants (\$10,000 or less) but will consider all requests within our means and mission.

States: All

Application Deadline: March 31 and October 31

<http://www.standupfoundation.com/grants/requesting-funding/>

Daniels Fund Grant

Description: Our funding areas are core to our purpose and they do not change: Early Childhood Education, K-12 Education Reform, Charter Schools, Ethics & Integrity in Education, Homeless & Disadvantaged and Youth Development.

Eligibility: The organization applying must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) or equivalent. Large institutions (such as a university or school district) should call before applying

Award Amount: Grant amounts vary considerably and depend on many factors. Important considerations include the applying organization's program budget, the impact the grant will have, and the levels of support the program is receiving from other sources. The Daniels Fund is rarely the sole provider of funds for a project, and encourages applicants to develop a variety of individual, government, and private funding sources.

Requirements: Sufficient local and other financial support exists to ensure the project or program will be implemented and will continue after the grant period. Before starting the online application process, we strongly encourage you to call us. To help you identify a Grants Program Officer focused on your geographic area or funding area, visit our Grants Department Contact page (www.DanielsFund.org/Grants/Grant-Contacts.asp).

States: CO, NM, UT and WY

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.danielsfund.org/Grants/index.asp>

Catholic Schools

Westerman Foundation

Description: It shall be the mission of this Foundation to provide financial support to educational institutions with emphasis on Catholic education; Christian based organizations, which promote family unity and values; and programs, which provide assistance to the poor and abused.

Eligibility: Catholic Schools

Award Amount: Small grants are \$5,000 and below. Large grants are \$5,000 to \$50,000.

Requirements: The grants are made in the following areas:

- Primarily Catholic Entities
- Educational projects and programs intended for community growth
- Enhancement of youth programs which nurture the fundamental ideas of faith, charity, and the awareness of being fair, responsible and giving.

States: All

Application Deadline: August 1

http://thewestermanfoundation.org/grant_app.shtml

Charter School

Daniels Fund Grant

Description: Our funding areas are core to our purpose and they do not change: Early Childhood Education, K-12 Education Reform, Charter Schools, Ethics & Integrity in Education, Homeless & Disadvantaged and Youth Development.

Eligibility: The organization applying must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) or equivalent. Large institutions (such as a university or school district) should call before applying

Award Amount: Grant amounts vary considerably and depend on many factors. Important considerations include the applying organization's program budget, the impact the grant will have, and the levels of support the program is receiving from other sources. The Daniels Fund is rarely the sole provider of funds for a project, and encourages applicants to develop a variety of individual, government, and private funding sources.

Requirements: Sufficient local and other financial support exists to ensure the project or program will be implemented and will continue after the grant period. Before starting the online application process, we strongly encourage you to call us. To help you identify a Grants Program Officer focused on your geographic area or funding area, visit our Grants Department Contact page (www.DanielsFund.org/Grants/Grant-Contacts.asp).

States: CO, NM, UT and WY

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.danielsfund.org/Grants/index.asp>

Classroom Projects

AEP PreK-12 Teacher Vision Grant

Description: Teachers motivate youth to learn to think creatively, to step into leadership roles and to address the challenges of the future. If adequate funding is all that stands between you and a new classroom adventure, American Electric Power's Teacher Vision Grant program may help. Any project that has an academic focus and a goal to improve student achievement will be considered. AEP has a special interest in science, mathematics, technology, electrical safety, the balanced study of energy and the environment, and energy efficiency.

Eligibility: Teachers of pre-K through Grade 12

Award Amount: \$100 to \$500

Requirements: Priority will be given to educators who:

- Have attended AEP Workshops for Educators
- Have participated in the [National Energy Education Development \(NEED\)](#) Project
- Are affiliated with an AEP school-business partnership

States: Live or teach in the [AEP service area](#) or in communities with major AEP facilities may apply.

Application Deadline: February 26

<https://www.aep.com/community/TeachersAndStudents/TeacherVisionGrants.aspx>

Association of American Educators Foundation Classroom Grants

Description: Classroom grants can be used for a variety of projects and materials, including but not limited to books, software, calculators, math manipulatives, art supplies, audio-visual equipment, and lab materials. Funds must be used within one year of the application deadline.

Eligibility: Classroom grants are available to all full-time educators who have not received a scholarship or grant from AAE in the previous three grant cycles (or 18 months). Awards are competitive. AAE members receive additional weight in the scoring rubric.

Award Amount: \$500.00

Requirements: Teachers awarded classroom grants will be reimbursed for up to \$500 in approved expenses documented no more than one year after notification of the award. AAEF can also remit the award directly to the school district. Grant award winners agree that their names and photos may be used in the AAE newsletter or websites and may be released in newspapers. As a condition of the grant, grantees must provide a written report about the efficacy of the project within one month after the completion.

States: All

Application Deadline: October 1 and March 1

<http://www.aeteachers.org/index.php/classroom-grant-application>

Brown Rudnick Center Foundation Community Grant

Description: The purposes of the Community Grant Program are to simultaneously (1) encourage those involved broadly with the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest to actively think about the educational needs in the communities of Boston, Hartford, New York City, Providence and Washington, D.C., (2) recognize, encourage and collaborate with the front-line workers within the educational system who often do not have a voice in funding decisions, and (3) provide funding to assist with small, concrete projects or need which will make an improvement in inner city education in Boston, Hartford, New York City, Providence and Washington, D.C. within a year of the grant award.

Eligibility: The proposed recipient must be a non-profit organization or tax-exempt organization (e.g. a public school) that is willing to accept the grant and use it in the required manner. The applicant must be a “front line educational worker” who is involved in the education field or a related field in on of the communities eligible for Foundation grants

Award Amount: Not more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) in any one month.

Requirements: The proposed use of the grant must be to fully fund a specific, one-time future education-related need or idea which promises to improve inner-city education within one year of the grant award in one of the cities eligible for Foundation grants.

States: Boston, Hartford, New York City, Providence and Washington, D.C.,

Application Opens: The Foundation shall generally consider grant applications monthly.

<http://www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation/community-grant>

Calling All Communities

Description: Calling All Communities (CAC) is one of two U.S. Cellular signature-giving programs that will support education in our local communities. Winning schools can use the funding for projects of their choice. Past winners have used their awards in a variety of ways, including creating a scholarship program, updating technology equipment, starting an arts or foreign language program, and purchasing new playground equipment. The important part is that the school gets to decide.

Eligibility: Grades K–12, public or private school

Award Amounts: The 20 schools that garner the most votes will each receive \$25,000.

Requirements: Community members will need to have internet access in order to vote, as voting will take place entirely online this year. There is no need to visit a store to obtain a voting code. Starting after 9:00 a.m. CST on November 4 through 11:59 p.m. CST on November 25, community members can visit www.uscellular.com to cast a vote for their favorite school. Voters will be asked to enter the requested information which includes state, email address, and birth date. There is a limit of one vote per person for the entire campaign. Voters must be 18 years of age or older to vote (19 or older in AL, NE).

States: This Sweepstakes is open to legal residents of any of the United States of America and District of Columbia ("D.C.") **except New York or Florida**, who are 18 years of age or older at time of entry (19 or older if a resident of AL or NE. The Sweepstakes is void in FL and NY, outside the remaining 48 eligible states and where prohibited by law. Employees of Sponsor, and of Sponsor's Authorized Agent locations, are not eligible to participate in this Sweepstakes.

Application Opens: Nov. 4

<http://www.uscellular.com/about/community-outreach/calling-all-communities.html>

Elmer's Teacher Tool Kit Grants

Description: For 17 years, Kids In Need has been funding exceptional classroom projects through our Teacher Grants program. Now the funding to conduct these projects in your own classrooms is available. We believe creative lesson plans should be an active part of any school's core curriculum, something Elmer's believes, also. Together we will provide teachers with the funding necessary to purchase the materials your students need to conduct the projects you choose. You can apply to replicate any project from the catalog of more than 1200 projects on our website. The Elmer's Teacher Tool Kit grants are based on:

- financial need (the percentage of students in your school receiving a federal free and reduced lunch)
- description of how the particular project meets the educational needs of the students and satisfies the state standards or curriculum requirements of the school
- the number of students who will benefit from the project

Eligibility: K-12 certified teachers teaching in the subject of the project at public, private, charter, or parochial schools within the U.S. Special consideration will be given to projects submitted by first year teachers and to projects that include a service learning or community service component.

Award Amount: \$100 to \$500

Requirements: Please Note: Special consideration will be given to projects submitted by first year teachers and to projects that include a community service component, but all certified K-12 teachers in the U.S. are encouraged to apply and all types of projects, with or without a community service component, will be considered for funding.

States: All

Application Opens: July 15

<http://www.kinf.org/grants/>

ING Unsung Heroes

Description: Are you an educator with a class project that is short on funding but long on potential? Do you know a teacher looking for grant dollars? ING Unsung Heroes® could help you turn great ideas into reality for students.

Eligibility: All K-12 education professionals, whether or not they are clients of ING, are eligible. Specifically, these individuals must be:

Employed by an accredited K-12 public or private school located in the United States

Full-time educators, teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, or classified staff with effective projects that improve student learning

Previous recipients of ING Unsung Heroes awards are not eligible to apply for another award.

Award Amount: Each year, 100 educators are selected to receive \$2,000 to help fund their innovative class projects. Three of those are chosen to receive the top awards of an additional \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$25,000.

Requirements: All awards must be used to further the projects within the school or school system.

States: All

Application Deadline: April 30

<http://www.ing-usa.com/us/stellent2/groups/dc/documents/companylobinformation/001143.pdf>

McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation Academic Enrichment Grant

Description: The McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation Offers Academic Enrichment Grants Designed To Develop In-class And Extra-curricular Programs That Improve Student Learning. The Foundation Considers Proposals That Foster Understanding, Deepen Students' Knowledge, And Provide Opportunities To Expand Awareness Of The World Around Them. The Academic Enrichment Grants Provide Funding For Programs That Nurture The Intellectual, Artistic And Creative Abilities Of Children From Low-income Households.

Eligibility: are employed by schools or non-profit organizations - have the background and experience to complete the project successfully - have direct and regular contact with students in grades pre-k to 12 - work with students from low-income households and are willing to work in collaboration with the Foundation

Award Amount: Amounts up to \$10,000 per year for a maximum of three years, provided the eligibility requirements continue to be met.

Requirements: Consider applying if you . . .

- you have a unique idea for a project that will supplement your regular classroom curriculum or after-school activity
- your students have ideas for enrichment activities or a need for strengthening their academic experiences
- you have facilities, expertise and community endorsement, but need additional resources for materials, time and transportation

States: All

Application Deadline: Jan 15 to April 15

<http://mccarthydressman.org/academic-enrichment-grants/>

Meemic Foundation

Description: Grants are available for a variety of programs, including: Arts, Behavior Modification, Cross-Curricular, Health/Physical Education, History, Literature, Math, Science, Social Studies, Special Needs, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and Technology.

Funding is also available for a variety of projects, including: Classroom projects, Field trips, School assemblies and Professional development for educators.

Eligibility: Public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Each grant proposal is evaluated based on the following criteria: Demonstrated need, Project potential for having a lasting impact on students, How the program relates to classroom instruction or a school or school district improvement goal, Ability to replicate the project for future use and Cost effectiveness.

States: Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.meemic.com/the-meemic-foundation.aspx>

Thank A Million Teachers

Description: The Thank a Million Teachers initiative understands that being underappreciated often means being underfunded too. With this in mind we have designed two separate grant opportunities. One addresses the everyday classroom needs of teachers and the other is designed to affect schools and community at large. Take a moment to explore these opportunities and give us a chance to say thanks for the important work you do every day.

Eligibility: Open to full-time, employed school teachers, Kindergarten (K) through Twelfth (12th) Grade, who have been officially thanked at www.thankamillionteachers.com, who are legal residents of the United States,

Award Amount: \$2,500.00

Requirements: There will be up to six (6) winners per TAMT Zone per Contest Period(the "Winner(s)"). A total of up to 150 Winners (30 Winners per Contest Period, 5 Contest Periods) will be declared over the course of the Contest. The decisions of Sponsor, including the selection of the Winner(s), are final and binding on all matters relating to this Contest. Odds of winning depend on the total number of Contestants during each Contest Period. Limit one (1) Prize(s) per Winner per Contest.

States: All, excluding where otherwise prohibited by law

Application Deadline: May and June

<https://www.thankamillionteachers.com/>

Computer Equipment

Computers for Learning

Description: The CFL program assists federal agencies to meet the requirements of Executive Order (EO) 12999, "Educational Technology: Ensuring Opportunity for All Children in the Next Century". The EO directs agencies, to the extent permitted by law, to give highest preference to schools and nonprofit organizations, including community-based educational organizations, (schools and educational nonprofit organizations) with the transfer, through gift or donation, of computers and related peripheral equipment excess to their needs.

Eligibility: A school is eligible to receive donations through the Computers for Learning program if it is public, private, or parochial, serving pre-kindergarten through grade 12 students. Day care centers must provide a state-approved preschool curriculum.

Requirements: Generally, the school or educational nonprofit organization must pay for the shipping and handling of the computers. Unless the holding agency has special legislative authority to pay for the cost(s) associated with the transportation of the excess computer equipment including packing and delivery, and they agree to do so, the school or educational nonprofit organization must pay for these costs. If your School/Organization does not take possession of the excess computer equipment in the amount of time allotted by the owning agency, they may withdraw the offer.

States: All Computers for Learning (CFL) participants must be located in the United States, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Application Opens: Ongoing

http://computersforlearning.gov/htm/hp_programDesc.htm

Computers for Youth

Description: CFY works directly with public schools to implement our Digital Learning Program. We begin our program with students in the sixth grade—the earliest grade in middle school—and expand it to more senior grades in subsequent years. CFY’s Digital Learning Program is a whole school/community initiative that helps students, teachers, and families in low-income areas fully harness the power of digital learning. CFY launched the Digital Learning Program more than ten years ago, and we have continually improved the program based on our experience working with over 50,000 students, along with their parents and teachers, in more than 100 schools across the nation.

Eligibility: Students 6th grade and up

Requirements: CFY uses an application and interview process to select schools that have the following characteristics:

- Strong leadership and a motivated, enthusiastic staff
- 75% or more students eligible for federally subsidized lunch
- Resources available to support the project

States: Philadelphia, PA, Atlanta, GA, San Francisco Bay Area, CA and Los Angeles, CA, and New York, City, NY

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://cfy.org/get-involved/become-a-cfy-school/>

Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants

Description: The Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries and non-profit organizations to help with the implementation or expansion of literacy programs for students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. Grant funding is provided to assist in the following areas:

- Implementing new or expanding existing literacy programs
- Purchasing new technology or equipment to support literacy initiatives
- Purchasing books, materials or software for literacy programs

There is a preference for literacy programs that target K-12th grade students who are:

- below grade level readers;
- readers with learning disabilities;
- English Language Learners; or
- students with Individualized Education Plans (IEP)

Requirements: The organization must be within 20 miles of a Dollar General store.

States: Dollar General does not have a presence in WY, ID, OR, WA, MT, ND, HI, AK, ME and RI.

Eligibility: Non-profit organizations

Award Amount: Maximum is \$4,000

Application Deadline: May 22

http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/Pages/youth_grants.aspx

GTECH After School Advantage Grants

Description: The GTECH After School Advantage Program is a national community investment program, which provides non-profit community agencies and public schools with state-of-the-art computer labs. These computer centers are designed to provide inner-city children aged five to 15 with a meaningful, yet fun, learning experience during the critical after-school hours, in a safe environment. This initiative is meant to provide an otherwise unavailable educational experience and bridge the digital divide among at-risk children. By applying our knowledge and expertise to this type of program GTECH hopes to increase children's interest in careers in computers and provide them with the necessary tools to help them become more competitive in school and in today's job market.

Eligibility: Must be a non-profit 501(C)(3) community agency or public school. You must have an existing after-school program in need of a computer lab. You must have staffing and monetary support systems in place to sustain the lab.

Award Amount: Up to \$15,000

Requirements: The Program targets minority and at-risk children aged five to 15.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.expandedschools.org/funding-opportunities/gtech-afterschool-advantage-program#sthash.O9VWt5ri.dpbs>

Lowe's Community Partners Grant

Description: Primary philanthropic focus area is public education, priority is given to K-12 public schools. Lowe's Community Partners grant program helps build better communities by providing monetary assistance to non-profit organizations and municipalities looking for support of high-need projects such as: building renovations/upgrades, grounds improvements, technology upgrades as well as safety improvements. Our Lowe's Heroes employee volunteer program is another opportunity for support, which Lowe's can provide to some grant recipients to help supplement the labor of projects. We encourage applicants to speak to their local store manager to see if this is a possibility before applying.

Eligibility: The Foundation provides funding only to 501(c) (3) tax-exempt nonprofit organizations and public agencies in communities where Lowe's operates stores and distribution centers.

Award Amount: \$5,000 to \$100,000, with most projects falling between \$10,000 and \$25,000.

Requirements: Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation requires that all applicants take an eligibility test. Organizations that pass will be considered, but not guaranteed a grant.

States: All

Application Opens: March 30 to May 29

<http://responsibility.lowes.com/apply-for-a-grant/>

Reading is the Way Up Literacy Grant

Description: In 2004, City National Bank established the Reading is the Way Up® Fund, a component fund of the California Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public charity, which administers the grants for City National Bank's Literacy Grants Program. The purpose of the fund is to provide charitable gifts to enhance school libraries and fund literacy projects in the communities we serve. Funds are to be used to enhance the curriculum and actively engage students in meaningful learning experiences. Grants may be used to purchase books, videos, CDs, DVDs, computer software and hardware, and any other educational resources to be owned or used. Eligibility: Teachers, librarians, school media specialists, and administrators may apply if they work fulltime at K-12 schools.

Award Amount: \$500

Requirements: The school principal or administrator must understand and fully support the project, as evidenced by signing the statement of support on the application form and final grant agreement.

States: Select cities and counties in California, Nevada, New York, Tennessee and Georgia. To see a complete list, go to <http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>.

Application Opens: October - December

<http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>

Disaster Relief

Dollar General Beyond Words Disaster Relief Fund Grant for School Libraries

Description: Dollar General, in collaboration with the American Library Association (ALA), the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) and the National Education Association (NEA), is sponsoring a school library disaster relief fund for public school libraries in the states served by Dollar General. The fund will provide grants to public schools whose school library program has been affected by a disaster.

Eligibility: Must be a public school library - PreK-12.

Award Amount: Individual awards are for \$5,000 to \$15,000

Requirements: Prior to starting please confirmation qualification. Are you:

- A public school with a pre-existing school library
- Within 36 months from the date of the disaster
- 20 miles from a Dollar General Store
- Replacing or supplementing books, media or library equipment (note furniture and shelving are not permissible purchases with grant funds)
- A certified school librarian, or is there a certified school librarian at the campus, district or regional level that will be involved purchasing decisions
- Able to spend the funds within 180 days of receiving
- Able to submit a report, with receipts, to show how the funds were allocated

States: Dollar General does not have a presence in WY, ID, OR, WA, MT, ND, HI, AK, ME and RI.

Application Opens: Ongoing

http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/Pages/grant_programs.aspx#dgschoollibraryreliefrelief

Office Depot Foundation

Description: The Foundation's funding focus includes proposals from organizations related to disaster relief and recovery. The Office Depot Foundation is proud to be the primary sponsor of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation Corporate Citizenship Center's National Disaster Help Desk for Business – a toll-free 24-hour hotline at 1-888-MY-BIZ-HELP (888-692-4943) which assists small businesses and nonprofit organizations with relief, recovery and rebuilding. The Help Desk, which is staffed by disaster relief and recovery professionals, stands ready to assist before, during and after times of disaster and is always there as a resource to help with preparedness and business continuity planning.

Eligibility: K-12 School, Public Library

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

http://officedepotfoundation.org/?page_id=579

Dropout Prevention

Joseph Bruno Foundation Grants

Description: Primary focus area is education, specifically the following: preparing children for success in school; supporting school readiness; quality early childhood development and early intervention; and working with families and youth service organizations to insure academic success and prevent school dropout. Organizations and programs that show collaboration and sharing of ideas and resources are strongly supported.

Eligibility: Grant requests are considered from nonprofit organizations that are tax exempt under Section 501 (c) (3) of the IRS Code.

Award Amount: Dependent on the project.

Requirements: A four page letter.

States: All

Application Deadline: There are two deadlines for proposal submission each year: March 15 for April board meeting and September 15 for October board meeting.

<http://www.jsbcf.org/funding.asp>

Michael and Susan Dell

Description: The United States educational system is plagued by a persistent achievement gap among students from different economic circumstances, and racial and ethnic backgrounds. To close this gap, improve student performance and increase graduation rates among affected students, fund programs that focus on Performance-driven education, College preparation and completion, Human capital (educator and school leader training), Quality school options and Academic and after-school programs.

Eligibility: Before starting an Online Grant Proposal you will be asked a series of brief questions about your organization and proposed project. The questions have been designed to determine if your organization and project meet basic eligibility requirements for Michael & Susan Dell Foundation funding. Answering the eligibility requirements questions should take less than five minutes.

Award Amounts: Michael & Susan Dell Foundation has approved grants ranging from \$500 to several million dollars. As a guideline, the foundation generally will not fund more than 25% of a project's budget or more than 10% of an organization's total annual operating expenses.

Requirements: Foundation staff will review the Online Grant Proposal and respond via e-mail within six weeks. If we find the proposed project to be aligned with the mission of the foundation, you will be asked to complete a formal Grant Application for funding.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.msdf.org/grants/apply/>

Early Childhood Education

Daniels Fund Grant

Description: Our funding areas are core to our purpose and they do not change: Early Childhood Education, K-12 Education Reform, Ethics & Integrity in Education, Homeless & Disadvantaged and Youth Development.

Eligibility: The organization applying must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) or equivalent. Large institutions (such as a university or school district) should call before applying

Award Amount: Grant amounts vary considerably and depend on many factors. Important considerations include the applying organization's program budget, the impact the grant will have, and the levels of support the program is receiving from other sources. The Daniels Fund is rarely the sole provider of funds for a project, and encourages applicants to develop a variety of individual, government, and private funding sources.

Requirements: Sufficient local and other financial support exists to ensure the project or program will be implemented and will continue after the grant period. Before starting the online application process, we strongly encourage you to call us. To help you identify a Grants Program Officer focused on your geographic area or funding area, visit our Grants Department Contact page (www.DanielsFund.org/Grants/Grant-Contacts.asp). You may also contact the Grants Department at GrantsInfo@DanielsFund.org or (720) 941-4457.

States: CO, NM, UT and WY

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.danielsfund.org/Grants/index.asp>

Joseph Bruno Foundation Grants

Description: Primary focus area is education, specifically the following: preparing children for success in school; supporting school readiness; quality early childhood development and early intervention; and working with families and youth service organizations to insure academic success and prevent school dropout. Organizations and programs that show collaboration and sharing of ideas and resources are strongly supported.

Eligibility: Grant requests are considered from nonprofit organizations that are tax exempt under Section 501 (c) (3) of the IRS Code.

Award Amount: Dependent on the project.

Requirements: A four page letter.

States: All

Application Opens: There are two deadlines for proposal submission each year: March 15 for April board meeting and September 15 for October board meeting.

<http://www.jsbcf.org/funding.asp>

National Leadership Grants for Libraries

Description: IMLS continues to pursue its commitment to early learning by seeking proposals addressing learners from ages 0-8 and their parents and caregivers. Library applicants are encouraged to partner with community organizations to address at least one of the challenges identified by the Campaign for Grade Level Reading including school readiness, summer reading loss, and chronic school absence.

Eligibility: Eligible libraries include public libraries, elementary and secondary school libraries, college and university libraries and research libraries.

Award Amount: Project Grants: \$50,000-500,000*. Planning Grants: up to \$50,000. Nat. Forum Grants: up to \$100,000.

Requirements: Applicants may choose to submit a Project Grant, Planning Grant, or National Forum Grant proposal in any of the above categories.

- *Project Grants* support fully developed projects for which needs assessments, partnership development, feasibility analyses, prototyping, and other planning activities have been completed.
- *Planning Grants* allow project teams to perform preliminary planning activities that could lead to a subsequent full project, such as needs and feasibility analyses, solidifying partnerships, developing project work plans, or developing prototypes or proofs of concept. Applications for Planning Grants must include at least one formal partner in addition to the lead applicant.
- *National Forum Grants* provide the opportunity to convene qualified groups of experts and key stakeholders to consider issues or challenges that are important to libraries, museums, and/or archives across the nation. **States:** Must be located in one of the fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau

Application Deadline: February 2

<http://www.ims.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=14>

Pitney Bowes Foundation

Description: Support will be given to literacy and education programs that focus on workforce preparation and giving individuals the skills they will need to succeed by partnering with a limited number of national organizations and with local non-profit organizations. Preference will be given to early childhood education, After-school programs, Mentoring programs, Literacy programs and Job training programs.

Eligibility: The Pitney Bowes Foundation, Inc. awards grants to organizations that have been approved by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as 501(c)(3) public charities, and Government institutions such as schools and libraries.

Award Amount: Dependent on the size of the project

Requirements: Organizations must apply via the online system and only submit one grant request per year.

States: Bridgeport, CT, Danbury, CT, Hartford CT, Shelton, CT and Stamford, CT.
Washington, DC, Boston/Waltham, MA, Albany/Troy, NY, Grand Rapids, MI,
Spokane, WA, Appleton, WI and Chesapeake, VA

Application Opens: Grant application deadlines are January 15 and June 1 of each year. Organizations may apply for funding only once in a calendar year.

<http://www.pb.com/docs/US/pdf/Our-Company/Corporate-Responsibility/Literacy-and-Education-Grant-Application.pdf>

<http://www.pitneybowes.com/us/our-company/corporate-responsibility/community/literacy-and-education.html>

PNC Grow Up Great Early Childhood Grant

Description: The PNC Foundation supports educational programs for children and youth, particularly early education initiatives that serve low-and moderate-income children (birth through age five), their teachers and families. Priority is given to programs that focus in the areas of math, science, the arts or financial education and include one or some combination of the following; Direct services for children in their classroom or community, Professional development for teachers, Family engagement in the early education of children being served by grants and Volunteer opportunities for PNC employees.

Eligibility: Organizations receiving support from the PNC Foundation must have a current Internal Revenue Service tax-exempt designation and be eligible to receive charitable contributions. In addition, the proposed activity must occur in a community where PNC has a significant presence.

Award Amount: Varies

Requirements: Beginning in January 2014, the PNC Foundation and Community Affairs functions within PNC will implement a web-based application process for grants from the PNC Foundation and charitable sponsorships from PNC Bank, NA. This significant change is one that will save your organization time and improve your organization's ability to submit and track the status of these applications.

States: Mid and Northeast US. The PNC Foundation conducts all philanthropic giving regionally. Please address all inquiries and grant proposals directly to the local PNC representative listed for your particular region. http://www.pncsites.com/pncfoundation/foundation_grantProcess.html

Application Deadline: Ongoing

http://www1.pnc.com/pncfoundation/foundation_grantProcess.html

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Description: We want to partner with families, schools and communities in making a difference in young children's learning and development. To do so, we support community-based family engagement efforts that empower parents, caregivers and families as leaders in children's development, recognizing that this is a shared responsibility with schools and communities. We seek to improve the quality of both teaching and learning through leadership and professional development in which educators receive the support and training they need to deliver high-quality learning opportunities for all students. This includes working with child care providers, schools and teacher preparation programs to create safe, positive environments that are content rich, results-driven and culturally meaningful and relevant. We support aligning systems to increase collaboration and improve the effectiveness of everyone who works in early child development – including centers, home-based and informal child care, K-12 schools, government systems and business. We believe this is essential if all families and young children are to have access to high-quality education.

Eligibility: Non-Profit and Public Government Agencies

Award Amount: Dependent on the scope of the project

Requirements: Once we receive your completed online application, an automated response, which includes your WKKF reference number, will be sent to you acknowledging its receipt. Our goal is to review your application and email our initial response to you within 45 days. Your grant may be declined or it may be selected for further development.

States: All US States, however, priority is given to Michigan, Mississippi and New Mexico.

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.wkkf.org/grants/for-grantseekers.aspx>

Economic Education

Calvin K. Kazanjian Economics Foundation Grant

Description: The Foundation has an abiding interest in elevating the nation's understanding of the need for economic education. It will support programs that raise various public's participation in economic education and/or create a demand for greater economic literacy.

Eligibility: Schools, colleges and universities, foundations or other organizations

Award Amounts: \$3,500 to \$150,000

Requirements: The Foundation does not use a specific application form. Instead, applicants should develop a proposal of no more than 10 pages using the "criteria for evaluation" on this website as a guideline. Applicants should include, along with the proposal: (1) a copy of the IRS designation letter, (2) a list of their Board of Directors, (3) their most recent audit statement, and (4) an annual budget. All applications should be sent to:

The Calvin K. Kazanjian Economics Foundation, Inc.

P.O. Box 300 Dallas, PA 18612-0330

Phone: (570) 675-7074 and Fax: (570) 675-8436

E-mail: <mailto:director@kazanjian.org>

States: All

Application Opens: Applications are due by September 15 for review in November/December, or by February 15 for review in May/June.

<http://www.kazanjian.org/grants/apply>

John Morton Excellence in the Teaching of Economics Awards

Description: The Council for Economic Education (CEE) recognizes excellence in economic and financial education by honoring three national educators in the elementary, middle and high school levels. This award promotes economic education at the K 12 level by recognizing and honoring inspirational teachers whose innovative teaching concepts improve and stimulate economic understanding in and out of their classrooms and achieve results. The awards program is open to all K 12 teachers that are members of the CEE Educator Community. Any K 12 classroom teacher may use a self-nomination process or one may be nominated by other teachers, department chairs, principals, superintendents and CEE state affiliates.

Eligibility: Current K-12 teacher from public, private or parochial schools. Award is open to teachers of all subjects, not just teachers of economics.

Award Amount: \$500.00

Requirements: Applicants must demonstrate how they integrate economics into their teaching. Must have taught in the classroom during the previous school year.

States: All

Application Deadline: June 15

<http://www.councilforeconed.org/programs-2/teacher-awards/>

Economically Disadvantaged Students

ALSC/Candlewick Press "Light the Way: Outreach to the Underserved" Grant

Description: The ALSC/Candlewick Press "Light the Way: Outreach to the Underserved" Grant was formed in honor of Newbery Medalist and Geisel Honoree author Kate DiCamillo, and the themes represented in her books. The award consists of a \$3,000 grant to assist a library in conducting exemplary outreach to underserved populations through a new program or an expansion of work already being done. Special population children may include those who have learning or physical differences, those who are speaking English as a second language, those who are in a non-traditional school environment, those who are in non-traditional family settings (such as teen parents, foster children, children in the juvenile justice system, and children in gay and lesbian families), and those who need accommodation service to meet their needs.

Eligibility: ALA membership is a prerequisite for this grant.

Award Amount: \$3,000

Requirements: The grant project must be administered between June 1, 2012 and May 31, 2013

States: All

Application Opens: Fall

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alsc/awardsgrants/profawards/candlewicklighttheway/index.cfm>

Breakthrough Schools

Description: Selection criteria are based on a school's documented success in implementing strategies aligned with the three core areas of *Breaking Ranks II* for middle level and high schools that have led to improved student achievement, and include the following:

- **Collaborative leadership:** professional learning communities, shared leadership, and student and staff leadership development
- **Personalization:** attention to all students, mentoring, and school/community connections
- **Curriculum, instruction, and assessment:** access to rigorous coursework for all students, differentiated instruction with multiple assessments, data-based decision making, and opportunities for career development

Eligibility: Middle schools and high schools with 40% or more of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals are eligible. K-12 and K-8 schools with 40% or more of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals are eligible.

Award Amount: Winning schools will receive \$5,000 and a feature in the association's monthly magazine. Principals of winning schools will participate in dissemination efforts at the NASSP Annual Convention.

Requirements: Schools do not have to be a member of the National Association of Secondary Schools to be nominated.

States: Schools within the United States and Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools can be nominated.

States:

Application Deadline: February 1 to June 30

<http://www.nassp.org/AwardsandRecognition/MetLifeFoundationNASSPBreakthroughSchools/FrequentlyAskedQuestions.aspx>

Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation

Description: The Foundation encourages the creation and expansion of learning experiences and opportunities at the primary, secondary and higher education levels, particularly for minority and disadvantaged students. Areas of special interest to the Foundation include educational and training programs designed to improve literacy, teach basic life skills, promote good citizenship and public service, and increase reading, math and science proficiencies.

Eligibility: Grantees must be public charities within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3).

Award Amount: CICF limits grant donations to any single organization to a maximum of a three year commitment, in an effort to support as many worthy organizations as possible.

Requirements:

- To apply for a Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation ("CICF" or "Foundation") grant, a formal grant application shall be submitted to the Foundation which includes a basic description of the organization and its mission, the purpose of the grant and timetable for program implementation, the amount of funding requested, financial information including project budget and the organization's annual budget, and the expected program results. Use [Grant Application Form](#) to apply.
- Grant recipients may not use more than 10% of the grant for overhead costs or staff salaries; grants must be used for direct program cost or funding for specific programs or activities.

States: All. Charitable requests from the communities where the industry does business are given priority consideration.

Application Opens: CICF grant applications should be submitted at the beginning of each calendar year or at the beginning of each quarter.

<http://www.cruisefoundation.org/requirements-and-guidelines.php>

Daniels Fund Grant

Description: Our funding areas are core to our purpose and they do not change: Early Childhood Education, K-12 Education Reform, Ethics & Integrity in Education, Homeless & Disadvantaged and Youth Development.

Eligibility: The organization applying must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) or equivalent. Large institutions (such as a university or school district) should call before applying

Award Amount: Grant amounts vary considerably and depend on many factors. Important considerations include the applying organization's program budget, the impact the grant will have, and the levels of support the program is receiving from other sources. The Daniels Fund is rarely the sole provider of funds for a project, and encourages applicants to develop a variety of individual, government, and private funding sources.

Requirements: Sufficient local and other financial support exists to ensure the project or program will be implemented and will continue after the grant period. Before starting the online application process, we strongly encourage you to call us. To help you identify a Grants Program Officer focused on your geographic area or funding area, visit our Grants Department Contact page (www.DanielsFund.org/Grants/Grant-Contacts.asp). You may also contact the Grants Department at GrantsInfo@DanielsFund.org or (720) 941-4457.

States: CO, NM, UT and WY

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.danielsfund.org/Grants/index.asp>

Entergy Micro Grant

Description: The Entergy Charitable Foundation (ECF) is a private foundation dedicated to supporting charitable organizations in the diverse communities where Entergy customers and employees live and work. The Foundation's goal is to support initiatives that help create and sustain thriving communities. ECF has a special focus on low-income initiatives, environmental initiatives, and educational and literacy programs.

Eligibility: Schools, hospitals, governmental units and religious institutions that hold nonprofit status similar to that of 501(c)(3) organizations, which may therefore be eligible.

Award Amount: Micro Grants are designed for requests of \$1,000 or less, but they feature a shorter application form and a streamlined review process.

Requirements: Please make sure to submit your application at least three months prior to the time the requested funds are needed. We receive many applications throughout the year, and we need to allow sufficient time to review each request carefully.

States: In considering requests for grants, priority is placed on programs in specific counties/parishes. Please check the following links to determine if your project is located in an area where Entergy has operations: [Arkansas](#), [Louisiana](#), [Mississippi](#), [Massachusetts](#), [New Hampshire](#), [New York](#), [Texas](#), and [Vermont](#).

Application Deadlines: Ongoing

http://www.entergy.com/our_community/micro_grant_guidelines.aspx

Lois Lenski Covey Foundation

Description: The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation, Inc. annually awards grants to libraries and (other institutions that operate a library) for purchasing books published for young people preschool through grade 8. The Foundation provides grants to libraries or organizations that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need.

Eligibility: The LLCF library grant program provides grants for public libraries, school libraries, and charitable organizations [501(c)(3)] that have lending libraries where children up to age 18 may check out books to read or to use for gathering information. School libraries, non-traditional libraries operated by charitable [501(c)(3)] and other non-taxable agencies, and bookmobile programs are eligible.

Requirements: The Foundation gives to libraries or organizations that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need. Successful applicants have proposed purchases to update their children's book collections generally or to expand their holdings in specific areas. The library grant program DOES NOT provide grants for book-donation programs, classroom libraries, atlases, dictionaries, basal readers or similar texts, workbooks or similar instructional tools, or for textbooks or encyclopedias. Grant applications for audio books will be considered only in the cases of children with special needs, where audio books would be particularly appropriate in addressing those needs.

In order for a library to be considered, it must have been in operation for at least three years.

Award Amount: \$500 to \$3000

States:

Application Deadline: February through May 29th

<http://www.loislenski Covey.org/6.html>

McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation Academic Enrichment Grant

Description: The McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation Offers Academic Enrichment Grants Designed To Develop In-class And Extra-curricular Programs That Improve Student Learning. The Academic Enrichment Grants Provide Funding For Programs That Nurture The Intellectual, Artistic And Creative Abilities Of Children From Low-income Households.

Eligibility: are employed by schools or non-profit organizations - have the background and experience to complete the project successfully - have direct and regular contact with students in grades pre-k to 12 - work with students from low-income households and are willing to work in collaboration with the Foundation

Award Amount: Amounts up to \$10,000 per year for a maximum of three years, provided the eligibility requirements continue to be met.

Requirements: Consider applying if you . . .

- you have a unique idea for a project that will supplement your regular classroom curriculum or after-school activity
- your students have ideas for enrichment activities or a need for strengthening their academic experiences
- you have facilities, expertise and community endorsement, but need additional resources for materials, time and transportation

States: All

Application Deadline: Jan 15 to April 15

<http://mccartheydressman.org/academic-enrichment-grants/>

Michael and Susan Dell

Description: The United States educational system is plagued by a persistent achievement gap among students from different economic circumstances, and racial and ethnic backgrounds. To close this gap, improve student performance and increase graduation rates among affected students, fund programs that focus on:

- [Performance-driven education](#)
- [College preparation and completion](#), including the [Dell Scholars Program](#)
- [Human capital \(educator and school leader training\)](#)
- [Quality school options](#)
- [Academic and after-school programs](#)

Eligibility: Before starting an Online Grant Proposal you will be asked a series of brief questions about your organization and proposed project. The questions have been designed to determine if your organization and project meet basic eligibility requirements for Michael & Susan Dell Foundation funding. Answering the eligibility requirements questions should take less than five minutes.

Award Amounts: Michael & Susan Dell Foundation has approved grants ranging from \$500 to several million dollars. As a guideline, the foundation generally will not fund more than 25% of a project's budget or more than 10% of an organization's total annual operating expenses.

Requirements: Foundation staff will review the Online Grant Proposal and respond via e-mail within six weeks. If we find the proposed project to be aligned with the mission of the foundation, you will be asked to complete a formal Grant Application for funding.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.msdf.org/grants/apply/>

National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards

Description: The National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award is the Nation's highest honor for out-of-school arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America's young people, particularly those from underserved communities. This award recognizes and supports excellence in programs that open new pathways to learning, self-discovery, and achievement. Each year, the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards recognize 12 outstanding programs in the United States, from a wide range of urban and rural settings.

Eligibility: After-school and out-of-school time arts and humanities programs sponsored by museums, libraries, performing arts organizations; educational institutions (e.g., preschools; elementary, middle, and high schools; universities; and colleges), arts centers, community service organizations, businesses, and eligible government entities are encouraged to consider submitting an application.

Award Amount: 12 \$10,000 awards

Requirements: Completed applications will only be accepted via the online process.

States: All

Application Deadline: January 31

<http://www.nahyp.org/how-to-apply/>

NEA Student Achievement Grants

Description: The NEA Foundation provides grants to improve the academic achievement of students in any subject area(s). The proposed work should engage students in critical thinking and problem solving that deepens their knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection. Proposals for work resulting in low-income and minority student success with honors, advanced placement, or other challenging curricula are particularly encouraged.

Eligibility: Public school educators in grades PreK-12 and Public school education support professionals. The NEA Foundation especially encourages grant applications from Teachers with less than seven years of experience in the profession, Education support professionals* and preference will be given to members of the National Education Association. *Education support professionals can be classified as: para-educators, school bus drivers, maintenance and custodial staff, food services staff, school nurses and student services workers, clerical and office assistants, school security officers, and technicians.

Award Amounts: \$2,000 or \$5,000. The budget submitted with your application must account for the full grant amount. We do not award partial grants. You must also plan to spend all of the funds within 12 months of the notification date.

Requirements: Grant funds may be used for resource materials, supplies, equipment, transportation, software, or scholars-in-residence. Although some funds may be used to support the professional development necessary to implement the project, the majority of grant funds must be spent on materials or educational experiences for students.

States: All

Application Deadline: Three deadlines are June 1st, October 15th and February 1st

<http://www.neafoundation.org/pages/grants-to-educators/>

PNC Grow Up Great Early Childhood Grant

Description: The PNC Foundation supports educational programs for children and youth, particularly early education initiatives that serve low-and moderate-income children (birth through age five), their teachers and families. Priority is given to programs that focus in the areas of math, science, the arts or financial education and include one or some combination of the following:

- Direct services for children in their classroom or community
- Professional development for teachers
- Family engagement in the early education of children being served by grants
- Volunteer opportunities for PNC employees

Eligibility: Organizations receiving support from the PNC Foundation must have a current Internal Revenue Service tax-exempt designation and be eligible to receive charitable contributions. In addition, the proposed activity must occur in a community where PNC has a significant presence.

Award Amount: Varies

Requirements: Beginning in January 2014, the PNC Foundation and Community Affairs functions within PNC will implement a web-based application process for grants from the PNC Foundation and charitable sponsorships from PNC Bank, NA. This significant change is one that will save your organization time and improve your organization's ability to submit and track the status of these applications.

States: Mid and Northeast US. The PNC Foundation conducts all philanthropic giving regionally. Please address all inquiries and grant proposals directly to the local PNC representative listed for your particular region. http://www.pncsites.com/pncfoundation/foundation_grantProcess.html

Application Deadline: Ongoing

http://www1.pnc.com/pncfoundation/foundation_grantProcess.html

Reynolds American Foundation

Description: Birth-12 Public Education – Public-school and community programs that prepare children to enter school ready to learn and programs that primarily focus on improving academic performance of low-performing and economically disadvantaged students. Except for business-partner relationships, all school grants are made through the superintendents' offices. Individual day-care centers are not eligible for grants.

Eligibility: A nonprofit agency with tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or an appropriate government agency and serving residents in communities where significant numbers of Reynolds American Inc. and R.J. Reynolds employees live and/or work;

Award Amount: Dependent on the needs stated in the grant application

Requirements: No application form is required. Proposals should be no more than five pages and should include the following information:

- A statement of purpose and organizational objectives;
- A description of the problem, need or issue the proposal seeks to address;
- A complete description of the proposed project. This includes goals, objectives, geographic area and population served by the project, timeline, staffing, evaluation, budget, and sources of current and future funding;
- A cover letter, signed by either the chief executive officer or an authorized person of the organization that includes a summary of the proposed project, the issue to be addressed, the amount requested, and the name and phone number of the appropriate contact person;
- The Internal Revenue Service letter confirming the organization's 501(c)(3) status; and,
- A list of the organization's board of directors and officers.

States: Winston-Salem, NC, Memphis, TN, and Santa Fe, NM

Application Deadlines: Ongoing

<http://www.rjrt.com/fndnguide.aspx>

Ruddie Memorial Youth Foundation Grant

Description: New, uncommon, unconventional, or untested youth programs aimed at identifying effective practices that lead to breakthrough results in supporting underprivileged youth, ages 0 to 25. In the past, funded programs have ranged from credit union savings projects and intensive tutoring programs, to afterschool day care and art programs, to health workshops.

Eligibility: Tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

Award Amount: \$25,000

Requirements: If the service you are proposing in an Innovation Grant application exists in numerous locations, it likely does not meet this definition of innovation. It should be noted that RMYF Board members may not have expertise in your program's focus area. Thus, it is important to explain fully and with back up data, if possible, what makes your program innovative and on what basis the innovative component is promising. We give preference to organizations with an annual budget of less than \$5 million.

States: Greater Baltimore, Boston, Los Angeles, Madison, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and/or Washington, D.C.

Application Deadline: April 30

<http://www.rmyf.org/index.cfm>

Education Reform/Improvement

Daniels Fund Grant

Description: Our funding areas are core to our purpose and they do not change: Early Childhood Education, K-12 Education Reform, Ethics & Integrity in Education, Homeless & Disadvantaged and Youth Development.

Eligibility: The organization applying must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) or equivalent. Large institutions (such as a university or school district) should call before applying

Award Amount: Grant amounts vary considerably and depend on many factors. Important considerations include the applying organization's program budget, the impact the grant will have, and the levels of support the program is receiving from other sources.

Requirements: Sufficient local and other financial support exists to ensure the project or program will be implemented and will continue after the grant period. Before starting the online application process, we strongly encourage you to call us. To help you identify a Grants Program Officer focused on your geographic area or funding area, visit our Grants Department Contact page (www.DanielsFund.org/Grants/Grant-Contacts.asp). You may also contact the Grants Department at GrantsInfo@DanielsFund.org or (720) 941-4457.

States: CO, NM, UT and WY

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.danielsfund.org/Grants/index.asp>

State Farm Education Excellence

Description: We support efforts to provide all children with an education that will allow them to reach their greatest potential and prepare them to participate in a nation and economy that continues as a global leader. We fund three types of grants for K-12 public schools.

- Teacher Development
- Service-Learning
- Education Reform/Systemic Improvement

Eligibility: Educational Institutions

Award Amount: Dependent on the project

States: US and Canada

Application Opens: September 2 through October 31

<https://www.statefarm.com/about-us/community/education-programs/grants-scholarships/company-grants/>

Stuart Foundation

Description: The Stuart Foundation is dedicated to transforming public education and the child welfare system so that all youth can learn and achieve in school and life. The Foundation is a partner and convener in melding the resources, thinking, and energy necessary to create and sustain system-wide change in California and Washington. It invests in programs and practices that serve as scalable and sustainable models and that inform policy. Our focus in Education:

- Districts & Education Systems
- Education Leadership
- Teaching and Learning

Eligibility: Certain organizations that qualify as tax-exempt within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Service code are eligible to apply to the Foundation. Examples are school districts, universities, and government entities, such as city or county agencies.

Award Amount: The amount that you request from the Foundation should be proportionate to your organizational budget, project budget, and expected income from other sources. While we have no restrictions regarding the maximum size grant you may request, program staff will take into consideration your track record in implementing projects of a similar size and scope.

Requirements: A Letter of Inquiry must be submitted first. Foundation staff may request a proposal after reviewing an organization's LOI. Program staff will contact your organization within approximately 60 days after we receive your LOI to inform you of whether you have been selected to submit a full proposal.

States: California and Washington

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.stuartfoundation.org/BecomeOurPartner/GrantApplicationProcess>

Environmental Education

American Honda Foundation

Description: Youth education, specifically in the areas of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, the environment, job training and literacy. The American Honda Foundation engages in grant making that reflects the basic tenets, beliefs and philosophies of Honda companies, which are characterized by the following qualities: imaginative, creative, youthful, forward-thinking, scientific, humanistic and innovative. We support youth education with a specific focus on the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects in addition to the environment.

Eligibility: Nonprofit charitable organizations classified as a 501(c) (3) public charity by the Internal Revenue Service, or a public school district, private/public elementary and secondary schools as listed by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). In addition, qualifying organizations must have a minimum of two years of audited financial statements.

Award Amount: The grant range is from \$20,000 to \$75,000 over a one-year period.

Requirements: Important Information

- Organizations may only submit one request in a 12-month period. This includes colleges and universities with several departments/outreach programs
- The grant range is from \$20,000 to \$75,000 over a one-year period
- Proposals should be submitted online. [Click here](#) to start the online process
- No faxed applications will be accepted
- Support materials such as annual reports, pamphlets/brochures, newsletters, articles, DVDs, etc. should be mailed to the following address:

States: All

Application Opens: February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1

<http://corporate.honda.com/america/philanthropy.aspx?id=ahf>

Captain Planet Foundation Education Grants

Description: The Captain Planet Foundation primarily makes grants to U.S.-based schools and organizations with an annual operating budget of less than \$3 million. Grants are made for activities that conform to the mission of the Captain Planet Foundation which is to: promote and support high-quality educational programs that enable children and youth to understand and appreciate our world through learning experiences that engage them in active, hands-on projects to improve the environment in their schools and communities. Grants from the Captain Planet Foundation are intended to:

- serve as a catalyst to getting environment-based education in schools, and
- inspire youth and communities to participate in community service through environmental stewardship activities.

Eligibility: All applicant organizations or sponsoring agencies must be exempt from federal taxation under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501, in order to be eligible for funding (this includes most schools and non-profit organizations). The Captain Planet Foundation primarily makes grants to U.S.-based schools and organizations with an annual operating budget of less than \$3 million.

Award Amount: Preferential consideration is given to requests seeking seed funding of \$500 or less and to applicants who have secured at least 50% matching or in-kind funding for their projects. (Projects with matching funds or in-kind support are given priority because external funding is a good indicator of the potential for long-term sustainability of the activities.) Captain Planet Foundation will on occasion consider grants up to \$2,500. In the event a request exceeds \$500 Captain Planet Foundation may choose to fund a portion of the project budget that best fits within the foundation guidelines or contact an applicant for further discussion.

Requirements: All applicant organizations or sponsoring agencies must be exempt from federal taxation under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501, in order to be eligible for funding (this includes most schools and nonprofit organizations).

States: All

Application Deadlines: September 30th- typically for spring and summer projects

January 31st- typically for fall and winter projects

<http://captainplanetfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/>

Dominion K-12 Educational Partnership

Description: Educational grants from Dominion and the Dominion Foundation provide elementary and secondary educators with the tools they need to revitalize math and science programs through the study of energy and the environment.

Eligibility: Public and private elementary and secondary schools and public school divisions that are registered with the National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES)

Award Amount: In the area of k-12 education, Dominion accepts grant applications, up to \$10,000, to encourage the development of new programs to strengthen math and science education through the study of energy or the environment.

Requirements: Successful grant proposals should represent innovative and promising ideas, teach math and/or science skills, reach a significant number of students and demonstrate broad-based community support. Proposals must align with one of the following target areas:

- **Environmental Education:** projects to develop math and/or science skills through the study of the environment.
- **Energy Grants:** projects designed to increase students' awareness of energy efficiency and conservation, energy sources or other energy-related topics.

States: Eligible participants must reside in a specified geographic area in Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, West Virginia, or Wisconsin.

Application Deadline: May 15

<http://www.dom.com/about/education/grants/index.jsp>

Dr. Scholl Foundation

Description: We ask that your request be for a program you feel has the greatest need. Applications for grants are considered in the following areas:

- Education
- Social Service
- Healthcare
- Civic and cultural
- Environmental

Eligibility: Organizations must have a valid IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter

Award Amount: There is no limit; however, on average, grants range from \$5,000 to \$25,000

Requirements: The application form and instructions are available after September 1 each year by written request on organization letterhead only.

States: We fund outside of Illinois; however, approximately 68% of funding is in Illinois.

Application Deadline: We accept proposals from November 1 to March 1

<http://www.drschollfoundation.com/index.html>

Entergy Micro Grant

Description: The Entergy Charitable Foundation (ECF) is a private foundation dedicated to supporting charitable organizations in the diverse communities where Entergy customers and employees live and work. The Foundation's goal is to support initiatives that help create and sustain thriving communities. ECF has a special focus on low-income initiatives, environmental initiatives, and educational and literacy programs.

Eligibility: Schools, hospitals, governmental units and religious institutions that hold nonprofit status similar to that of 501(c)(3) organizations, which may therefore be eligible.

Award Amount: Micro Grants are designed for requests of \$1,000 or less, but they feature a shorter application form and a streamlined review process.

Requirements: Please make sure to submit your application at least three months prior to the time the requested funds are needed. We receive many applications throughout the year, and we need to allow sufficient time to review each request carefully. Once you have submitted your application online, please allow at least 6 (six) to 8 (eight) weeks for review and notification of the result of your request.

States: In considering requests for grants, priority is placed on programs in specific counties/parishes. Please check the following links to determine if your project is located in an area where Entergy has operations: [Arkansas](#), [Louisiana](#), [Mississippi](#), [Massachusetts](#), [New Hampshire](#), [New York](#), [Texas](#), and [Vermont](#).

Application Deadlines: Ongoing

http://www.entergy.com/our_community/micro_grant_guidelines.aspx

International Paper Foundation

Description: Primary Focus areas are Environmental Education and Literacy.

Literacy:

International Paper has a strong belief in the value of education and made improving literacy one of our top priorities. Our support of the National Geographic Explorer magazine, which aids in developing literacy skills for children in grades 4-5, is an example of this commitment. Additionally, we support:

- Programs that enhance availability of reading materials at school and community libraries
- Programs that enhance reading skills of children and adults
- Programs that teach English as a Second Language (ESL)

Environmental Education:

We support programs that help both younger and older generations understand a sustainable approach balancing environmental, social and economic needs. Given the vast nature of this subject area, the Foundation has decided to focus on:

- National Geographic Kids Magazine subscriptions at schools in local communities
- Earth's Birthday Project kits for children
- Science-based programs targeting children
- Outdoor classrooms at schools or in communities
- Outdoor science programs tied to forestry, air or water

- Education-based programs that promote recycling, tree planting and composting initiatives

Eligibility: U.S. non-profits interested in funding must be located in communities where International Paper has operations or has an employee base. Please contact your local facility for additional information about local deadlines and other funding requirements.

Award Amount: Dependent on the scope of the project

Requirements: All proposals will be routed to the local IP facility (available locations located in drop down menu) and must be completed in its entirety to be considered. Please contact the facility for local submission deadlines.

States: Must be located in communities where International Paper has operations or has an employee base. Please contact your local facility for additional information about local deadlines and other funding requirements.

Application Opens: Local deadlines will vary by location. Please contact your nearest IP facility directly for local submission deadlines and community guidelines.

<http://www.internationalpaper.com/US/EN/Company/IPGiving/index.html>

Kinder Morgan Foundation

Description: Focus Areas

- Academic programs, including tutoring
- Arts education programs
- Environmental education programs that work with local schools and meet curriculum standards

Eligibility: In the US, Non profits, public schools and private schools may apply. In Canada, non profits and private schools must provide documentation that enables us to determine that the organization is the equivalent of a U.S. public charity.

Award Amount: Award amounts range from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Requirements: Focus areas are Academic programs, including tutoring, Arts education programs and Environmental education programs that work with local schools and meet curriculum standards.

States: US and Canada. Kinder Morgan must have operations in the community served by the program. General location information is available on the [About Us](#) page.

Application Opens: The deadline for submitting applications is the 10th of every other month beginning in January.

http://www.kindermorgan.com/community/km_foundation_guidelines.cfm

Mazda Foundation

Description: Through the Mazda Foundation, Mazda and its employees are working together to proactively help our neighbors - and the communities where we live and work - to build a better, brighter future. With contributions exceeding \$5 million since it's founding in 1992, the Mazda Foundation is playing a meaningful role in helping thousands of Americans realize their aspirations and dreams. It's also important to note that programs the Mazda Foundation supports range from children's organizations and educational scholarships to food banks, environmental programs and crucial disaster relief efforts. The Mazda Foundation awards grants to programs promoting:

- Education and literacy
- Environmental conservation
- Cross-cultural understanding
- Social welfare
- Scientific research

Eligibility: Public Schools

Award Amount: Grants are awarded according to the nature and need of the program.

Requirements: Organizations that have submitted an application that is of interest to the Foundation will be required to submit a formal proposal.

States: All

Application Opens: We only accept applications from May 1 through July 1

http://www.mazdafoundation.org/Grant_Guidelines.html

Facility and Landscape Enhancement

Corning Foundation

Description: Corning's areas of involvement have included community service programs for students, curriculum enrichment, student scholarships, facility improvement and instructional technology projects for the classroom.

Eligibility: Selected public K-12 school districts, community colleges and four-year institutions of higher learning

Award Amount: Dependent on the scope of the project

Requirements: All requests to the Foundation for support must be made in writing. Grant seekers are advised to submit a two-to-three page letter of inquiry, signed by the senior administrative officer of the organization.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

http://www.corning.com/inside_corning/our_commitment/community_foundation.aspx

Dew Foundation

Description: Contributes to ministries, health, relief, education, community service, welfare, and arts organizations. We fund major construction, expansion or new facility programs. Funding is limited to projects that directly benefit the organization's constituents and communities, demonstrate a high demand for the applicant's programs and services, and demonstrate a sustainable business plan.

Eligibility: Organizations that qualify as tax-exempt within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Sections **Award Amount:** The amount that you request should be proportionate to your organizational budget, project budgets, and expected income from other sources. While we have no restrictions regarding the maximum size grant you may request, the board will take into consideration your track record in implementing projects of a similar size and scope.

Requirements:

- Contributes to ministries, health, relief, education, community service, welfare, and arts organizations.
- Contributes only to tax-exempt not-for-profit charities.
- Primarily enables other organizations having vision and mission. However, it may also fund its own charitable projects using grants to other organizations such as community trusts.
- Does not contribute toward normal church operation.
- Does not contribute to culturally liberal activist causes or to organizations that primarily seek to influence legislation or government spending.
- Does not contribute to political parties or associated political organizations.
- Seeks to encourage and empower personal charitable interest and involvement within our family. Charities which members of our immediate or extended family have hands-on involvement or desire to be involved, receive first priority.
- Is guided by Christian teachings in deciding right and wrong, good and better, but is not limited to support only religious based organizations

States: All

Application Deadline: September 1

<http://www.dewfoundation.org/grant-guidelines/>

Gladys Brooks Foundation

Description: Grant applications from universities, colleges and secondary schools will be considered generally for erection or endowment of buildings, wings or additions thereto of buildings and equipment for educational purposes.

Eligibility: Secondary School. The Foundation will make grants only to publicly supported not-for-profit tax-exempt organizations within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code.

Award Amount: Grant applications will be considered only for major expenditures generally between \$50,000.00 and \$100,000.00 and greater or lesser amounts in certain circumstances.

Requirements: Grant applications will be considered where

{a} outside funding (including governmental) is not available;

{b} the project will be largely funded by the grant unless the grant request covers a discrete component of a larger project and

{c} the funds will be used for capital projects including equipment or endowments.

States: Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee and Vermont.

Application Deadline: January 29 – May 15

<http://www.gladysbrooksfoundation.org/application.html>

Lowe's Community Partners Grant

Description: Primary philanthropic focus area is public education, priority is given to K-12 public schools. Lowe's Community Partners grant program helps build better communities by providing monetary assistance to non-profit organizations and municipalities looking for support of high-need projects such as: building renovations/upgrades, grounds improvements, technology upgrades as well as safety improvements. . We encourage applicants to speak to their local store manager to see if this is a possibility before applying.

Eligibility: The Foundation provides funding only to 501(c) (3) tax-exempt nonprofit organizations and public agencies in communities where Lowe's operates stores and distribution centers.

Award Amount: \$5,000 to \$100,000, with most projects falling between \$10,000 and \$25,000.

Requirements: Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation requires that all applicants take an eligibility test. Organizations that pass will be considered, but not guaranteed a grant.

States: All

Application Opens: March 30 to May 29

<http://responsibility.lowes.com/apply-for-a-grant/>

Lowe's Toolbox for Education

Description: There is a preference for funding requests that have a permanent impact such as facility enhancement (both indoor and outdoor) as well as landscaping/clean up type projects. Projects that encourage parent involvement and build stronger community spirit will be favored. For more than 65 years, Lowe's has supported the communities we call home. At a time when schools and community groups are struggling to support the basic needs of their communities, the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation recognizes the importance of financial support. This year, as a foundation, we are challenging ourselves to seek ways to provide the tools that help our educators and parent groups through today's challenging times efficiently, while providing the greatest impact, with basic necessities taking priority.

Please keep this focus in mind as you apply for a Lowe's Toolbox for Education® grant. **Eligibility:** Any individual public K-12 school or non-profit parent group associated with that public K-12 school. Parent groups that are applying (PTO, PTA, etc.) must have an independent EIN and official 501c(3) status from the IRS. If your group does not have 501c(3) status, please apply through your school. Pre-schools are not eligible.

Award Amount: Between \$2,000 and \$5,000 per school is available.

Requirements: In order to submit an application your school must be in our database. Click on the "apply now" button and by going through the first step of the application: Verifying Your Contact Information, you will be able to confirm this. It may take as long as 24 hours to have your school added before an application can be submitted. If you wait until the last day to submit an application, your school may not be added to the database in time to submit the application before the deadline. Only one application may be submitted per school for any given grant period.

States: All

Application Deadline: August 1 – October 15

<http://responsibility.lowes.com/apply-for-a-grant/>

Financial Literacy

CompareCards' Financially Literate Youth (FLY) Program

Description: CompareCards' Financially Literate Youth (FLY) program is funding up to **\$20,000** for the upcoming school year to go towards financial education. A recent report by the Department of the Treasury found that financial education in schools, even in small amounts, does increase financial knowledge and capability, even one year after program implementation. By providing this opportunity for schools to win one of four grants, we hope to see positive results from the implementation of a financial education program in our school systems.

Eligibility: Any public, private, or charter school

Award Amount: Four schools will be chosen to receive up to \$5,000 each to put towards financial literacy programs in their school. Awarded schools have the option to accept a lesser amount if they feel they can't utilize the entire \$5,000 available to them.

Requirements: The school has implemented or is looking to implement a financial education project/curriculum; A measurement tool is or will be in place to assess participation in and comprehension of the financial education project/curriculum; and The school agrees to share overall results with CompareCards upon the program's completion, to assess the effectiveness of the project/curriculum and look for areas to improve.

States: All

Application Deadline: September 26

http://www.comparecards.com/FLY?utm_source=PRWeb&utm_medium=FLYpr&utm_campaign=FLYpr

State Farm Education Excellence

Description: Creating better educated communities includes providing access to personal financial education and job training. Our funding is directed toward:

- Basic Economics
- Budget Counseling
- Employable Skills Training

Eligibility: Educational Institutions, Government entities, Canadian registered charitable organizations, 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofit organizations, 501(c)(4) volunteer fire companies and 501(c)(6) chambers of commerce

Award Amount: Dependent on the project

States: US and Canada

Application Opens: September 2 through Friday, October 31

<https://www.statefarm.com/about-us/community/education-programs/grants-scholarships/company-grants/>

General Education (Curriculum, Technology, Reading, etc.)

Ambrose Monell Foundation

Description: Voluntarily aiding and contributing to religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational uses and purposes, in New York, elsewhere in the United States and throughout the world.

Eligibility: The Ambrose Monell Foundation funds only those organizations that are qualified to receive charitable grants under the United States Internal Revenue Code and applicable regulations. In order to ascertain if your organization and its proposed project or program fit within the Foundation's guidelines, kindly submit a letter of inquiry.

Award Amount: Dependent on the project

Requirements: The review process for Letter of Inquiry takes approximately 4-6 weeks. Applicants will be contacted by the Foundation only if the Letter of Inquiry receives a favorable response. At that time, the Foundation will request a detailed proposal and, if helpful, schedule a meeting with the prospective grantee. Proposals are to be submitted only upon invitation – unsolicited proposals will not be reviewed.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.monellvetlesen.org/monell/appguide.htm>

Brinker International Foundation

Description: The objective of the Brinker International Foundation is to support programs and projects that are affiliated with Children/Family, Arts, Civic, and University related educational programs.

Eligibility: Public or Private Schools, Public Libraries

Award Amount: Based on the project and the request

Requirements: Brinker International's Charitable Committee must have the following information from organizations requesting donations. This information must be submitted on the organization's official letterhead.

- The exact amount requested and the specific purpose for the donation briefly summarized on 1-2 typewritten pages.
- The request should detail how the donations will be used.
- Information about your organization, including proof of 501(c)(3) status and sources of funding.
- Information, if any, concerning past or current involvement of Brinker International employees with the organization.
- We may also come back and ask for the organization's current Board of Directors, including their business and civic affiliations, as well as the organization's recent financial statements. Requests that do not meet the requirements of the Brinker Charitable Committee will not be considered.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.brinker.com/company/givingback.asp#gui>

Calling All Communities

Description: Calling All Communities (CAC) is one of two U.S. Cellular signature giving programs that will support education in our local communities. Winning schools can use the funding for projects of their choice. Past winners have used their awards in a variety of ways, including creating a scholarship program, updating technology equipment, starting an arts or foreign language program, and purchasing new playground equipment. The important part is that the school gets to decide.

Eligibility: Grades K–12, public or private school

Award Amounts: The 20 schools that garner the most votes will each receive \$25,000.

Requirements: Community members will need to have internet access in order to vote, as voting will take place entirely online this year. There is no need to visit a store to obtain a voting code. Starting after 9:00 a.m. CST on November 4 through 11:59 p.m. CST on November 25, community members can visit www.uscellular.com to cast a vote for their favorite school. Voters will be asked to enter the requested information which includes state, email address, and birth date. There is a limit of one vote per person for the entire campaign. Voters must be 18 years of age or older to vote (19 or older in AL, NE).

States: This Sweepstakes is open to legal residents of any of the United States of America and District of Columbia ("D.C.") **except New York or Florida**, who are 18 years of age or older at time of entry (19 or older if a resident of AL or NE. The Sweepstakes is void in FL and NY, outside the remaining 48 eligible states and where prohibited by law. Employees of Sponsor, and of Sponsor's Authorized Agent locations, are not eligible to participate in this Sweepstakes.

Application Opens: Nov. 4

<http://www.uscellular.com/about/community-outreach/calling-all-communities.html>

Corning Foundation

Description: Corning's areas of involvement have included community service programs for students, curriculum enrichment, student scholarships, facility improvement and instructional technology projects for the classroom.

Eligibility: Selected public K-12 school districts, community colleges and four-year institutions of higher learning

Award Amount: Dependent on the scope of the project

Requirements: All requests to the Foundation for support must be made in writing. Grant seekers are advised to submit a two-to-three page letter of inquiry, signed by the senior administrative officer of the organization.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

http://www.corning.com/inside_corning/our_commitment/community_foundation.aspx

Dr. Scholl Foundation

Description: We ask that your request be for a program you feel has the greatest need. Applications for grants are considered in the following areas:

- Education
- Social Service
- Healthcare
- Civic and cultural
- Environmental

Eligibility: Organizations must have a valid IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter

Award Amount: There is no limit; however, on average, grants range from \$5,000 to \$25,000

Requirements: The application form and instructions are available after September 1 each year by written request on organization letterhead only.

States: We fund outside of Illinois; however, approximately 68% of funding is in Illinois.

Application Deadline: We accept proposals from November 1 to March 1

<http://www.drschollfoundation.com/index.html>

Kinder Morgan Foundation

Description: Focus Areas

- Academic programs, including tutoring
- Arts education programs
- Environmental education programs that work with local schools and meet curriculum standards

Eligibility: In the US, Non profits, public schools and private schools may apply. In Canada, non profits and private schools must provide documentation that enables us to determine that the organization is the equivalent of a U.S. public charity.

Award Amount: Award amounts range from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Requirements: Focus areas are Academic programs, including tutoring, Arts education programs and Environmental education programs that work with local schools and meet curriculum standards.

States: US and Canada. Kinder Morgan must have operations in the community served by the program. General location information is available on the [About Us](#) page.

Application Opens: The deadline for submitting applications is the 10th of every other month beginning in January.

http://www.kindermorgan.com/community/km_foundation_guidelines.cfm

NEA Student Achievement Grants

Description: The NEA Foundation provides grants to improve the academic achievement of students in any subject area(s). The proposed work should engage students in critical thinking and problem solving that deepens their knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection. Proposals for work resulting in low-income and minority student success with honors, advanced placement, or other challenging curricula are particularly encouraged.

Eligibility: Public school educators in grades PreK-12 and Public school education support professionals. The NEA Foundation especially encourages grant applications from Teachers with less than seven years of experience in the profession, Education support professionals* and preference will be given to members of the National Education Association. *Education support professionals can be classified as: para-educators, school bus drivers, maintenance and custodial staff, food services staff, school nurses and student services workers, clerical and office assistants, school security officers, and technicians.

Award Amounts: \$2,000 or \$5,000. The budget submitted with your application must account for the full grant amount. We do not award partial grants. You must also plan to spend all of the funds within 12 months of the notification date.

Requirements: Grant funds may be used for resource materials, supplies, equipment, transportation, software, or scholars-in-residence. Although some funds may be used to support the professional development necessary to implement the project, the majority of grant funds must be spent on materials or educational experiences for students.

States: All

Application Deadline: Three deadlines are June 1st, October 15th and February 1st

<http://www.neafoundation.org/pages/grants-to-educators/>

Reading is the Way Up Literacy Grant

Description: In 2004, City National Bank established the Reading is the Way Up® Fund, a component fund of the California Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public charity, which administers the grants for City National Bank's Literacy Grants Program. The purpose of the fund is to provide charitable gifts to enhance school libraries and fund literacy projects in the communities we serve. Funds are to be used to enhance the curriculum and actively engage students in meaningful learning experiences. Grants may be used to purchase books, videos, CDs, DVDs, computer software and hardware, and any other educational resources to be owned or used.

Eligibility: Teachers, librarians, school media specialists, and administrators may apply if they work fulltime at K-12 schools.

Award Amount: \$500

Requirements: The school principal or administrator must understand and fully support the project, as evidenced by signing the statement of support on the application form and final grant agreement.

States: Select cities and counties in California, Nevada, New York, Tennessee and Georgia. To see a complete list, go to <http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>.

Application Opens: October - December

<http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>

Reiman Foundation

Description: To begin, first let us thank you for all your hard work, imagination, courage and effectiveness which you bring to your respective groups. We are proud of the organizations that we have been able to support since establishing our family foundation many years ago. Some of our primary interests rest in supporting three types of endeavors - education, health care and children's initiatives. Yet, these goals are continuously refined as conditions and opportunities change. If your appeal falls within one or more of these areas we will be glad to consider it, but ask that you understand there will never be enough funds to fill everyone's needs, no matter how worthy. The Reiman Foundation focuses its giving on three main areas:

- Healthcare
- Education
- Children

Requirements: The application or proposal need not adhere to any specific forms. We simply ask that the information it contains be specific enough to give us a clear picture of your intended project, why you are proposing it, who will benefit from it, and how it will be administered.

States: All

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.reimanfoundation.org/grantapplicationinformation/>

State Farm Education Excellence

Description: We support efforts to provide all children with an education that will allow them to reach their greatest potential and prepare them to participate in a nation and economy that continues as a global leader. We fund three types of grants for K-12 public schools.

- Teacher Development
- Service-Learning
- Education Reform/Systemic Improvement

Eligibility: Educational Institutions

Award Amount: Dependent on the project

States: US and Canada

Application Opens: September 2 through October 31

<https://www.statefarm.com/about-us/community/education-programs/grants-scholarships/company-grants/>

Thank A Million Teachers

Description: The Thank a Million Teachers initiative understands that being underappreciated often means being underfunded too. With this in mind we have designed two separate grant opportunities. One addresses the everyday classroom needs of teachers and the other is designed to affect schools and community at large. Take a moment to explore these opportunities and give us a chance to say thanks for the important work you do every day.

Eligibility: Open to full-time, employed school teachers, Kindergarten (K) through Twelfth (12th) Grade, who have been officially thanked at www.thankamillionteachers.com, who are legal residents of the United States,

Award Amount: \$2,500.00

Requirements: There will be up to six (6) winners per TAMT Zone per Contest Period (the "Winner(s)"). A total of up to 150 Winners (30 Winners per Contest Period, 5 Contest Periods) will be declared over the course of the Contest. The decisions of Sponsor, including the selection of the Winner(s), are final and binding on all matters relating to this Contest. Odds of winning depend on the total number of Contestants during each Contest Period. Limit one (1) Prize(s) per Winner per Contest.

States: All, excluding where otherwise prohibited by law

Application Deadline: May and June

<https://www.thankamillionteachers.com/>

Geography

Grant for Geographic Literacy

Description: The NCSS Grant for the Enhancement of Geographic Literacy was created to promote geography education in the schools; to enhance the geographic literacy of students at the classroom, district, or statewide level; and to encourage the integration of geography into the social studies curriculum/classroom.

Eligibility: Programs, not individuals, individual lessons or units, which will enhance the geographic literacy of students at the classroom, district, or statewide levels. Recipients may be individuals or groups in school districts, public institutions, or universities. Proposals from individuals having already received this grant may be considered after three-years from the last time they received this grant.

Award Amount: Award winners receive \$2,500, a commemorative award, and present a session on their work at the NCSS Annual Conference

Requirements: Applications are judged on the following:

- Sound rationale and appropriate methods for incorporating the study of geography into the social studies curricula.
- Specific plans for enhancing geographic literacy.
- Feasibility of program implementation.
- Number of teachers and students served.
- Potential for program continuation or its effects after initial implementation.
- Incorporation of the National Geography Standards as identified in Geography for Life, the “Fundamental Themes in Geography”, and appropriate sections of Expectations of Excellence: Curriculum Standards for Social Studies.

States: All

Application Deadline: June 20

<http://www.socialstudies.org/awards>

Gift Cards for Charity Events

American Eagle Outfitter Gift Cards

Description: AE donates a limited number of \$25 gift cards to high school and college sponsored events that help us make an AE Better World. This includes fundraising events for charity and for programs within the schools and colleges themselves. To request a gift card, please submit a letter on your organization's letterhead at least 6 weeks before your donation is needed. Be sure to include a brief description of your organization and event, Federal Tax Exemption Number and how you will recognize AE as a contributing sponsor of your event. While we would like to respond to all requests favorably, the number of requests we receive far exceeds our funding capacity. If your donation request is granted, you will receive a letter and gift card within 6 weeks after we receive your request.

Send gift card requests to: American Eagle Outfitters Foundation, 77 Hot Metal Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15203

http://www.ae.com/Images/corpResp/images/community/gift_cards_and_financial_grants.pdf

Health

General Mills Youth Nutrition & Fitness Grant Program

Description: The General Mills Foundation, in partnership with the American Dietetic Association Foundation and the President's Council on Physical Fitness, developed the Champions for Healthy Kids grant program in 2002. Receiving a Champions for Healthy Kids grant is an opportunity for you and your colleagues to impact the nutrition and physical activity habits of youth across the United States. The General Mills Foundation, the American Dietetic Association Foundation, and the President's Council on Physical Fitness is committed to supporting your efforts as you build and implement innovative and effective nutrition and physical activity programs that can be sustained even after the grant period ends.

Eligibility: K-12 Schools

Award Amounts: Foundation awards 50 grants of \$10,000 each to community-based groups that develop creative ways to help youth adopt a balanced diet and physically active lifestyle.

Requirements: In order to measure the outcomes of the overall program itself and its impact on participants, each organization that receives funding will be required to complete specific evaluation tools provided by the Champions for Healthy Kids Evaluation team before, during, and after the grant period. These brief and user-friendly evaluation tools will allow each grant recipient to share program successes and, if needed, ask for support to address any programmatic challenges faced during the grant.

An evaluation completed at the end of the grant period by each grant recipient. This evaluation tool will measure the following:

- Target audience and reach
- Progress compared to program objectives in health beliefs, attitudes, skills, behaviors, awareness and knowledge
- Overall program impact including partnerships, policy changes, and other impacts on the community served
- Level of program innovation
- Program sustainability
- Key learnings about administering the grant
- Modifications in the program approach since application

States: Organizations must serve populations within 50 miles of the General Mills facility

Application Opens: Ongoing

http://www.generalmills.com/en/Responsibility/general-mills-foundation/community-action-council/apply_cac_grant

Meemic Foundation

Description: Grants are available for a variety of programs, including: Arts, Behavior Modification, Cross-Curricular, Health/Physical Education, History, Literature, Math, Science, Social Studies, Special Needs, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and Technology.

Funding is also available for a variety of projects, including: Classroom projects, Field trips, School assemblies and Professional development for educators.

Eligibility: Public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Each grant proposal is evaluated based on the following criteria: Demonstrated need, Project potential for having a lasting impact on students, How the program relates to classroom instruction or a school or school district improvement goal, Ability to replicate the project for future use and Cost effectiveness.

States: Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.meemic.com/the-meemic-foundation.aspx>

Saucony Run for Good Foundation Grants

Description: The Saucony Run For Good Foundation is committed to improving the lives of children by helping to prevent and reduce childhood obesity. We act to inform the public about its cause and prevention and provide funding to optimize the impact and success of community organizations that promote running and healthy lifestyle programs for youth.

Eligibility: Public School, Private/Charter School, Higher Education and Other. Programs whose participants are 18 years of age or less, have 501 (c) (3) status and can demonstrate their program positively impacts the lives of participants through their increased participation in running.

Award Amount: \$10,000.00

Requirements: All proposals must demonstrate the grantee will conduct programs that increase participation in running in order to positively impact the lives of participants.

Application Deadline: Two grant cycles per year.

States: All

<http://www.sauconyrunforgood.com/how-to-apply/>

Innovative Education Initiatives

American School Board Journal's Magna Awards

Description: The Magna Awards Is A National Recognition Program Co-sponsored By American School Board Journal, The National School Boards Association, And Sodexo School Services That Honors School Board Best Practices And Innovative Programs That Advance Student Learning.

Eligibility: If you are nominating a program from a school district in the U.S., the district must be a member of your state school boards association to be eligible.

Award Amount: Magna nominations are judged according to three enrollment categories (under 5,000 enrollment; 5,000-20,000 enrollment; and over 20,000 enrollment) with one Grand Prize Winner in each category. Each Grand Prize Winner receives a \$4,000 contribution from Sodexo School Services. There are five additional winners and five honorable mention winners within each enrollment category.

Requirements: Only nominations made online using the online Magna Nomination form will be considered by the judges.

States: All

Application Opens: August 1

<http://www.asbj.com/MainMenuCategory/Supplements/MagnaAwards/WhatisMagna.aspx>

Dean Witter Foundation

Description: The Foundation makes grants to launch and expand innovative K-12 public education initiatives. The Foundation prefers to award matching or challenge grants and to leverage its support with funding from other sources.

Eligibility: The Foundation accepts grant proposals from tax-exempt charitable institutions as defined under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code on a continuing basis.

Award Amounts: Dependent on the request.

Requirements: The Foundation does not have a standard application form. Applicants should send one complete proposal to the Consultant.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.deanwitterfoundation.org/FundingGuidelines.html>

Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Program

Description: The purpose of this program is to carry out a coordinated program of scientifically based research, demonstration projects, innovative strategies, and similar activities designed to build and enhance the ability of elementary and secondary schools to meet the special education needs of gifted and talented students. The major emphasis of the program is on serving students traditionally underrepresented in gifted and talented programs, particularly economically disadvantaged, limited English proficient (LEP), and disabled students, to help reduce the serious gap in achievement among certain groups of students at the highest levels of achievement.

Eligibility: Under a Priority One competition, SEAs, LEAs, IHEs, other public agencies, and private agencies and organizations, including Indian tribes and tribal organizations as defined by the *Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act*, and native Hawaiian organizations may apply. Under a Priority Two competition, SEAs or LEAs or both may apply.

Award Amount: \$1,000,000 for Research (IES) and \$4,000,000 for Discretionary Grants.

States: All

Application Deadline: May 4

<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/javits/funding.html>

Kids in Need

Description: The purpose of the grants is to provide funds for classroom teachers who have innovative, meritorious ideas. Your project may qualify for funding if it makes creative use of common teaching aids, approaches the curriculum from an imaginative angle, or ties nontraditional concepts together for the purpose of illustrating commonalities. Innovation and merit account for 40% of the evaluation.

Eligibility: The applicant must be a K-12 certified teacher working at a public, private, charter, or parochial school in the subject of the project. Kids In Need does not fund pre-school projects.

Award Amount: The program is designed to be the sole funding agent for your project. Grant amounts will be between \$100 and \$500. In exceptional cases, a grant may be awarded in conjunction with funding from another source. If you are receiving additional funds for your project, you must declare it on the application. A budget must be included. No other materials should accompany the application.

Requirements: The Kids In Need program does not fund the purchase of pre-packaged lesson plans. The grant will, however, fund the purchase of written materials or software to be used in the activities of the project. Do not request funds to purchase classroom or library book collections. If the students need books to participate in the project, the books must become the property of the students.

States: All

Application Opens: July 15

<http://kinf.org/grants/>

Ruddie Memorial Youth Foundation Grant

Description: New, uncommon, unconventional, or untested youth programs aimed at identifying effective practices that lead to breakthrough results in supporting underprivileged youth, ages 0 to 25. In the past, funded programs have ranged from credit union savings projects and intensive tutoring programs, to afterschool day care and art programs, to health workshops.

Eligibility: Tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

Award Amount: \$25,000

Requirements: If the service you are proposing in an Innovation Grant application exists in numerous locations, it likely does not meet this definition of innovation. It should be noted that RMYF Board members may not have expertise in your program's focus area. Thus, it is important to explain fully and with back up data, if possible, what makes your program innovative and on what basis the innovative component is promising. We give preference to organizations with an annual budget of less than \$5 million.

States: Greater Baltimore, Boston, Los Angeles, Madison, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and/or Washington, D.C.

Application Deadline: Pre-application due April 30

<http://www.rmyf.org/index.cfm>

Leadership

Creative Leadership Grants

Description: Thank you for your interest in the Champion Creatively Alive Children (R) grant opportunity! The program provides grants for innovative, creative leadership team building within elementary schools. Apply now for the opportunity to receive a grant for building your school's creative capacity. Due June 23

Eligibility: The applications will only be accepted from principals who are members of NAESP. If you are not the principal, please collaborate with your school's leader to develop the plan and confirm that he/she is currently a member of NAESP. If not a member, go to NAESP.org to find out how to become a member.

Award Amount: Each grant-winning school (up to 20 grants awarded) receives \$2,500 and Crayola products valued at \$1,000.

Requirements:

- Form a collaborative team to plan innovative ways of infusing creativity throughout the school.
- Brainstorm a leadership program that will enrich the creative capabilities and confidence within the school community.
- Plan how and who will lead this collaborative effort.
- Complete the [application](#).
- Submit your application by June 23, 2014 (principal must be NAESP member).
- Every Early Bird application submitted before midnight on Monday, June 9, 2014 will receive a Crayola product Classpack(R).

States: All

Application Deadline: June 22

<http://www.crayola.com/for-educators/ccac-landing/grant-program.aspx>

Library

AASL List of School Library Grants

Description: The American Association of School Libraries offers a variety of grants for school libraries. The American Association of School Librarians (AASL) is the *only* national professional membership organization focused on school librarians and the school library community. AASL has more than 7,000 members and serves school librarians in the United States, Canada, and around the world.

Application Deadline: Most grants are due by February 1.

<http://www.ala.org/aasl/awards>

ALSC/Candlewick Press "Light the Way: Outreach to the Underserved" Grant

Description: The ALSC/Candlewick Press "Light the Way: Outreach to the Underserved" Grant was formed in honor of Newbery Medalist and Geisel Honoree author Kate DiCamillo, and the themes represented in her books. The award consists of a \$3,000 grant to assist a library in conducting exemplary outreach to underserved populations through a new program or an expansion of work already being done. Special population children may include those who have learning or physical differences, those who are speaking English as a second language, those who are in a non-traditional school environment, those who are in non-traditional family settings (such as teen parents, foster children, children in the juvenile justice system, and children in gay and lesbian families), and those who need accommodation service to meet their needs.

Eligibility: ALA membership is a prerequisite for this grant.

Award Amount: \$3,000

Requirements: The grant project must be administered between June 1, 2012 and May 31, 2013

States: All

Application Opens: Fall

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alsc/awardsgrants/profawards/candlewicklighttheway/index.cfm>

Amber Brown Grant for Guest Author Visits

Description: This grant is offered in the spirit of Paula's joyous approach to life, and we hope that every school that uses it to bring an author or illustrator to speak to their students will make that day a true celebration--a celebration of books, of literacy, of children, of life.

Eligibility: Any school with the desire and commitment to enrich their curriculum with a guest author or illustrator is eligible to apply. However, this grant is primarily focused on bringing an author or illustrator to a school that cannot or has not been able to afford this privilege.

Award Amount: Two schools will be rewarded with an all expense paid visit by a well respected children's author or illustrator. The chosen schools will also receive a \$250 stipend to assist in creating this memorable event to celebrate reading, learning, and children's literature and \$250 worth of books by the visiting author. Additionally, one runner up school will be selected and rewarded with books valued at \$250.00.

Requirements: Applicants must fill out the application in its entirety and submit it before the deadline (see below). All applications must include a statement of support from your principle.

States: All

Application Opens: November 1st and April 1st.

<http://www.scbwi.org/Pages.aspx/Amber-Brown-Grant>

Ambrose Monell Foundation

Description: Voluntarily aiding and contributing to religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational uses and purposes, in New York, elsewhere in the United States and throughout the world.

Eligibility: The Ambrose Monell Foundation funds only those organizations that are qualified to receive charitable grants under the United States Internal Revenue Code and applicable regulations. In order to ascertain if your organization and its proposed project or program fit within the Foundation's guidelines, kindly submit a letter of inquiry.

Award Amount: Dependent on the project

Requirements: The review process for Letter of Inquiry takes approximately 4-6 weeks. Applicants will be contacted by the Foundation only if the Letter of Inquiry receives a favorable response. At that time, the Foundation will request a detailed proposal and, if helpful, schedule a meeting with the prospective grantee. Proposals are to be submitted only upon invitation – unsolicited proposals will not be reviewed.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.monellvetlesen.org/monell/appguide.htm>

Ezra Jack Keats Minigrant

Description: Created by the children's book author and illustrator, the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation. Come up with a creative program that can be enacted by students with their teacher or librarian.

Programs funded in the past have included:

- an ongoing pen pal project bringing together disparate communities
- a multicultural portrait project=
- an art project culminating in an art show, a mural, or a quilt
- bookmaking
- creating and performing a puppet show
- an intergenerational journal or activity

Regard these programs as examples of the direction your project might take...we encourage new ideas.

Eligibility: Public schools and public libraries are eligible for the EJK Minigrant Program. Preschool Head Start programs are also invited to apply for Minigrants. *Only* public organizations are eligible – private, parochial and charter schools should *not* apply.

Award Amount: \$500.00

Requirements: EJK Minigrants were designed to make the most of the time teachers and librarians spend with their students. If a program is innovative, imaginative and inspiring, we will be interested in considering it for support. In such cases we will consider funding the purchase of books, equipment and materials. To be considered, the proposed program must be supported solely by the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation.

States: We fund institutions and programs within the United States, including Puerto Rico and Guam.

Application Deadline: 11:59 p.m., March 15, of each year. Notification of status will be emailed to everyone by the end of May.

<http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/minigrant-program/minigrant-application/>

From Failure to Promise

Description: In "From Failure to Promise," author Dr. Cleamon Moorer describes his experiences, from flunking out of college to becoming an engineer, consultant, and a university professor. He is now awarding \$1,000 to a community-based organization, library, or school that uses the tenets of his book to motivate, energize, and catapult K-12 students to reach their full potential in literacy, math, science, or technology.

Eligibility: K-12 Teachers, Libraries and Youth Group Leaders

Award Amount: \$1,000

Requirements: Teachers are not required to purchase a book. In most circumstances, a review copy will be provided upon request.

States: All

Application Deadline: July 31

<http://www.fromfailuretopromise.com/K-12--Educator-s-Literacy-Grant.html>

I Love My Librarian Award

Description: Nominate your favorite librarian.

Eligibility: Public School Librarian, Public Library Librarian

Award Amount: Up to ten winners will be selected this year and receive a \$5,000 cash award, a plaque and \$500 travel stipend to attend an awards reception in New York hosted by The New York Times. In addition, a plaque will be given to each award winner's library.

Requirements: Online application with questions that describe the nominee. Examples:

- Please tell us in 2-3 sentences why your nominee should win this award.
- How has the nominee helped you and/or students at school? For example, did the nominee help you with a project, recommend resources or collaborate with you to enhance student learning?
- How has the individual demonstrated leadership in the school community?

States: All

Application Deadline: September 12

<http://www.ilovelibraries.org/lovelibrarian/home.cfm>

Innovative Approaches to Literacy

Description: The Innovative Approaches to Literacy (IAL) program supports high-quality programs designed to develop and improve literacy skills for children and students from birth through 12th grade within the attendance boundaries of high-need local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools. The U.S. Department of Education (Department) intends to support innovative programs that promote early literacy for young children, motivate older children to read, and increase student achievement by using school libraries, distributing free books to children and their families, and offering high-quality literacy activities.

Many schools and districts across the Nation do not have school libraries that deliver high-quality literacy programming to children and their families. Additionally, many schools do not have qualified library media specialists and library facilities. Where facilities do exist, they are often under-resourced and lack adequate books and other materials. In many communities, high-need children and students have limited access to appropriate age- and grade-level reading material in their homes. The IAL program supports the implementation of high-quality plans for childhood literacy activities and book distribution efforts that are supported by at least one study that meets the definition of scientifically valid research.

Eligibility: (1) a high-need LEA; (2) a national not-for-profit organization that serves children and students within the attendance boundaries of a high-need LEA; (3) a consortium of one or more national not-for-profit organizations that serve children and students within the attendance boundaries of one or more high-need LEAs; or (4) a consortium of high-need LEAs.

Award Amount: Estimated Range of 30 Awards to LEAs: \$150,000 to \$750,000. Estimated Range to 1-4 national not-for-profit organizations: \$3,000,000 to \$14,000,000.

Requirements: The application narrative must be limited to no more than 25 pages. The application narrative is where the applicant addresses the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate the grant application.

States: All

Application Deadline: June 18 to July 18 (every other year)

<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/innovapproaches-literacy/index.html>

Laura Bush School Library Grant

Description: In order to promote a love of reading, the goal of the Laura Bush Foundation (LBF) is to provide books to the school libraries and students that most need them.

Requirements: Funds are available only for library books and magazine/serial copies and subscriptions. The Laura Bush Foundation is unable to honor requests for staffing, shelving, furniture, equipment, software, videos, classroom book sets or any kind of book guides, tests or exams. Funds are intended to update, extend, and diversify the book collections of the libraries that receive them. All LBF grants are made to individual schools rather than to school districts, county systems, private organizations, foundations, or other entities. Only one application per school is allowed per year.

Eligibility: K-12 Public Schools. Preference to schools in which 90% or more of the students receive free or reduced lunches (FRL) and are likely to have the fewest books at home.

Award Amounts: Grants of up to \$6,000

States: All

Application Opens: October through December 31. Awards are announced in mid to late May.

<http://www.laurabushfoundation.org>

Lois Lenski Covey Foundation

Description: The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation, Inc. annually awards grants to libraries and (other institutions that operate a library) for purchasing books published for young people preschool through grade 8. The Foundation provides grants to libraries or organizations that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need.

Eligibility: The LLCF library grant program provides grants for public libraries, school libraries, and charitable organizations [501(c)(3)] that have lending libraries where children up to age 18 may check out books to read or to use for gathering information. School libraries, non-traditional libraries operated by charitable [501(c)(3)] and other non-taxable agencies, and bookmobile programs are eligible.

Requirements: The Foundation gives to libraries or organizations that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need. Successful applicants have proposed purchases to update their children's book collections generally or to expand their holdings in specific areas. The library grant program DOES NOT provide grants for book-donation programs, classroom libraries, atlases, dictionaries, basal readers or similar texts, workbooks or similar instructional tools, or for textbooks or encyclopedias.

Grant applications for audio books will be considered only in the cases of children with special needs, where audio books would be particularly appropriate in addressing those needs.

In order for a library to be considered, it must have been in operation for at least three years.

County or district library systems cannot apply as a whole; public or school libraries within a county or district system are eligible to apply individually.

Award Amount: \$500 to \$3000

States:

Application Deadline: February through May 29th

<http://www.loislenskicovey.org/6.html>

National Leadership Grants for Libraries

Description: IMLS continues to pursue its commitment to early learning by seeking proposals addressing learners from ages 0-8 and their parents and caregivers. Library applicants are encouraged to partner with community organizations to address at least one of the challenges identified by the Campaign for Grade Level Reading including school readiness, summer reading loss, and chronic school absence.

Eligibility: Eligible libraries include public libraries, elementary and secondary school libraries, college and university libraries and research libraries.

Award Amount: Project Grants: \$50,000-500,000*. Planning Grants: up to \$50,000. Nat. Forum Grants: up to \$100,000.

Requirements: Applicants may choose to submit a Project Grant, Planning Grant, or National Forum Grant proposal in any of the above categories.

- *Project Grants* support fully developed projects for which needs assessments, partnership development, feasibility analyses, prototyping, and other planning activities have been completed.
- *Planning Grants* allow project teams to perform preliminary planning activities that could lead to a subsequent full project, such as needs and feasibility analyses, solidifying partnerships, developing project work plans, or developing prototypes or proofs of concept. Applications for Planning Grants must include at least one formal partner in addition to the lead applicant.
- *National Forum Grants* provide the opportunity to convene qualified groups of experts and key stakeholders to consider issues or challenges that are important to libraries, museums, and/or archives across the nation. Grant-supported meetings are expected to produce widely disseminated reports with expert recommendations for action or research that address a key challenge identified in the proposal. **States:** Must be located in one of the fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau

Application Deadline: February 1

<http://www.ims.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=14>

Native American Library Services: Enhancement Grants

Description: Federally-recognized tribes and Alaska Native villages and corporations are encouraged to apply. The competitive Enhancement Grants support exemplary projects designed to enhance library services to communities and to serve as model projects for others.

Eligibility: Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages are eligible to apply for the Enhancement Grant only if they have applied for a Native American Library Services Basic Grant in the same fiscal year.

Award Amount: Applicants may request up to \$150,000.

Requirements:

States: All

Application Deadline: April 1

http://www.ims.gov/ims_accepting_applications_for_native_american_library_services_enhancement_grants.aspx

Native American Library Services: Basic Grants

Description: Basic Grants are available to support existing library operations and to maintain core library services. The Education/Assessment Option is supplemental to the Basic Grants. It also is noncompetitive and must be requested. The purpose of the Education/Assessment Option is to provide funding for library staff to attend continuing education courses and training workshops on- or off-site, for library staff to attend or give presentations at conferences related to library services, and to hire a consultant for an on-site professional library assessment.

Eligibility: Indian tribes, Alaska Native villages, regional corporations, and village corporations are eligible to apply for funding under the Native American Library Services grant program. Entities such as libraries, schools, tribal colleges, or departments of education are not eligible applicants, although they may be involved in the administration of this program and their staff may serve as project directors, in partnership with an eligible applicant.

Award Amount: The Native American Library Services Basic Grant is noncompetitive and distributed in equal amounts among eligible applicants.

Requirements:

States: All

Application Deadline: March 2

<http://www.ims.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=15>

Reading is the Way Up Literacy Grant

Description: In 2004, City National Bank established the Reading is the Way Up® Fund, a component fund of the California Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public charity, which administers the grants for City National Bank's Literacy Grants Program. The purpose of the fund is to provide charitable gifts to enhance school libraries and fund literacy projects in the communities we serve. Funds are to be used to enhance the curriculum and actively engage students in meaningful learning experiences. Grants may be used to purchase books, videos, CDs, DVDs, computer software and hardware, and any other educational resources to be owned or used. **Eligibility:** Teachers, librarians, school media specialists, and administrators may apply if they work fulltime at K-12 schools.

Award Amount: \$500

Requirements: The school principal or administrator must understand and fully support the project, as evidenced by signing the statement of support on the application form and final grant agreement.

States: Select cities and counties in California, Nevada, New York, Tennessee and Georgia. To see a complete list, go to <http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>.

Application Opens: October - December

<http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>

Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award

Description: The Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award is an annual award to a school library that has conducted an exemplary program or program series in the humanities during the prior school year. Sponsored by the American Library Association Cultural Communities Fund and the National Endowment for the Humanities in cooperation with the American Association of School Librarians.

Eligibility: Any elementary or middle school (public or private) library or any school library program in the United States that serves children in any combination of grades K–8 and is staffed by a state-certified librarian.

Award Amount: (1) a \$4,000 cash award; (2) a plaque; and (3) the promotion of the winner as a model program for other school libraries.

Requirements: The humanities program can be focused in many subject areas, including, but not limited to, social studies, poetry, drama, art, music, language arts, foreign language, and culture. Programs should focus on broadening perspectives and helping students understand the wider world and their place in it. **States:** All

Application Deadline: April 3

<http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/ppo/awardsgrants/jaffarian/jaffarianaward.cfm>



Snapdragon Book Foundation School Library Grant

Description: The Snapdragon Book Foundation was started in December 2008 to provide funds to improve school libraries for disadvantaged children. Founded by a former school librarian, this foundation exists to put books in the hands of kids. In a time when many schools are reallocating their funds to technology and audiovisual equipment, we hope to make sure that school libraries are still offering children good books to read.

Eligibility: Public, private, and experimental schools.

Award Amount: Unspecified

Requirements: Focus should be books for disadvantaged students.

States: All

Application Deadline: January through April 18

<http://www.snapdragonbookfoundation.org/index/Apply.html>

Sparks! Ignition

Description: The Sparks! Ignition Grants for Libraries and Museums initiative is a new funding opportunity developed by IMLS to expand and test the boundaries of library, archive, and museum services and practices. It provides small, targeted investments in high-risk, innovative responses to the challenges and opportunities facing cultural heritage institutions in a rapidly changing information environment. Innovation is the key to using time, money, and staff more productively, and to helping cultural heritage institutions improve their services, processes, programs, and products. These grants will support the testing of specific innovations and foster broad sharing of information about what works and what does not. Because innovations can emerge in a variety of settings, the Sparks! Ignition Grants initiative is structured to encourage participation by organizations of all types and sizes. Partnerships are permitted, but not required.

Eligibility: Eligible libraries include public libraries, elementary and secondary school libraries.

Award Amount: Up to \$25,000

Requirements: Applicants may propose activities or approaches that involve risk, as long as the risk is balanced by significant potential for improvement in the ways institutions serve their communities.

Examples of projects that might be funded by this program include, but are not limited to:

- exploring the potential of highly original, experimental collaborations,
- testing inventive new workflows or processes that may result in substantial cost savings,
- rapid prototyping and testing of new types of software tools, or creating useful new
- ways to link separate software applications used in libraries, archives, or museums,
- research that involves the deployment, testing, and evaluation of a specific innovation, and
- offering innovative new types of services or new service options to library, archive, or museum visitors.

Grant funding for such activities may include all activities associated with planning, deploying, and evaluating the innovation, as long as the expense is allowable under federal and IMLS guidelines.

States: All fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau; and

Application Deadline: February 1

<http://www.ims.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=19>

Thomson Gale TEAMS Award to Recognize Teacher and Media Specialist Collaborations

Description: The Thomson Gale TEAMS Award recognizes and encourages the critical collaboration between the teacher and media specialist to promote learning and increase student achievement.

Eligibility: All K-12 public and private schools

Award Amount: Three winners will receive: \$2,500 (U.S.) cash award; Thomson Gale products (approximate value \$500 U.S.); a one-year subscription to Library Media Connection; and Educator's Professional Bookshelf (approximate value \$500 U.S.) from Linworth Publishing.

Requirements: A panel comprised of education industry professionals and Gale staff will evaluate the nominations based on:

- Demonstrated collaboration between media specialists and teachers during 2009-2010 or 2010-2011 school years
- Effective techniques that positively impact student learning and achievement (based on state and national standards)
- Support received from school leadership
- Ability for others to replicate this best practice
- Awards will be presented at a reception during the American Association of School Librarians conference in 2011.

States: All US States and Canada

Application Deadline: June 30

<http://news.cengage.com/award-opportunities/>

We Love Libraries!

Description: Enter your library in "We Love Libraries" lottery. At the end of each month, a winner will be drawn from entries received at our website at www.sistersincrime.org. To enter, simply complete the entry form and upload a photo of one or more of your staff with three books in your collection by Sisters in Crime members. You can [find a list of our members who are authors](#) by clicking here.

Eligibility: US Library

Award Amount: Monthly grants of \$1,000

Requirements: Those not successful in one month will automatically be entered for subsequent drawings. Grants must be used to purchase books and may not be used for general operating expenses. Book purchases are NOT restricted to the mystery genre or to those by Sisters in Crime members.

States: All

Application Opens: Awarded monthly from January through December

<http://www.sistersincrime.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=53>

Witter Bynner Foundation for Poetry

Description: Through a bequest from Witter Bynner in 1972, The Witter Bynner Foundation for Poetry perpetuates the art of poetry. The foundation promotes poetry in American culture and encourages grant proposals that expand awareness of the positive effects of poetry on society.

Eligibility: Grant support is provided to non-profit, tax exempt organizations as defined under section 501 (c) (3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code.

Award Amount: Organizations may apply for grant support from \$1,000 to \$10,000 for a maximum of three years. The foundation does not support indirect costs for grant administration, endowment funds, capital improvements, or general operating expenses.

Requirements: A Letter of Intent is required before a grant application can be approved. If the foundation finds the request appropriate and within the scope of our mission, an invitation to submit an application will follow.

States: All

Application Deadline: Deadline submission for the Letter of Intent is December 31 each year.
<http://www.bynnerfoundation.org/grants/index.htm>

YALSA/Greenwood Publishing Group Service to Young Adults Achievement Award

Description: The grant recognizes a member who has demonstrated unique and sustained devotion to young adult services through substantial work in any two or more of these initiatives:

- The promotion of library services for young adults
- Conducting and publishing research for young adults
- Publication or presentation of knowledge or best practices relating to young adult literature or library services for young adults
- Advocating for young adult literature or library services for young adults
- Mentoring of other professionals in the field of young adult literature or library services
- Notable efforts in furthering the mission of YALSA

Eligibility: YALSA Members

Award Amount: \$2,000

Requirements:

- All entries must use the [application form](#) provided below by the Young Adult Library Services Association.
- All persons being nominated must be current personal members of ALA/YALSA at the time the application is submitted to be eligible. The nominator does not need to be a member of ALA or YALSA.
- Entries should be models of clarity and completeness and no more than one typed page.
- Completed applications should be emailed to Nichole Gilbert at ngilbert@ala.org with the name of the award in the subject line. Questions should be directed to Nichole at: 800/545-2433 x 4387
- Applications are only accepted during odd years and must be received no later than December 1.

States: All

Application Opens: Deadline December 1

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/awardsandgrants/achievement.cfm>

YALSA's MAE Award for Best Literature Program for Teens

Description: The MAE Award is designed to honor a member of YALSA who has developed an outstanding reading or literature program for young adults. The award is made possible through the Margaret A. Edwards Trust.

Eligibility: Public or Private School, Public Library

Award Amount: The award provides \$500 to the winner and an additional \$500 to the winner's library.

Requirements: All applicants must be current personal members of ALA/YALSA at the time the application is submitted. The purpose of the reading or literature program must be to bring young adults and books together and to encourage the development of life-long reading habits.

States: All

Deadline: December 1st

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/awardsandgrants/mae.cfm>

Literacy/Reading

Ambrose Monell Foundation

Description: Voluntarily aiding and contributing to religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational uses and purposes, in New York, elsewhere in the United States and throughout the world.

Eligibility: The Ambrose Monell Foundation funds only those organizations that are qualified to receive charitable grants under the United States Internal Revenue Code and applicable regulations. In order to ascertain if your organization and its proposed project or program fit within the Foundation's guidelines, kindly submit a letter of inquiry.

Award Amount: Dependent on the project

Requirements: The review process for Letter of Inquiry takes approximately 4-6 weeks. Applicants will be contacted by the Foundation only if the Letter of Inquiry receives a favorable response. At that time, the Foundation will request a detailed proposal and, if helpful, schedule a meeting with the prospective grantee. Proposals are to be submitted only upon invitation – unsolicited proposals will not be reviewed.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.monellvetlesen.org/monell/appguide.htm>

American Honda Foundation

Description: Youth education, specifically in the areas of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, the environment, job training and literacy. The American Honda Foundation engages in grant making that reflects the basic tenets, beliefs and philosophies of Honda companies, which are characterized by the following qualities: imaginative, creative, youthful, forward-thinking, scientific, humanistic and innovative. We support youth education with a specific focus on the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects in addition to the environment.

Eligibility: Nonprofit charitable organizations classified as a 501(c) (3) public charity by the Internal Revenue Service, or a public school district, private/public elementary and secondary schools as listed by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). In addition, qualifying organizations must have a minimum of two years of audited financial statements.

Award Amount: The grant range is from \$20,000 to \$75,000 over a one-year period.

Requirements: Important Information

- Organizations may only submit one request in a 12-month period. This includes colleges and universities with several departments/outreach programs
- The grant range is from \$20,000 to \$75,000 over a one-year period
- Proposals should be submitted online. [Click here](#) to start the online process
- No faxed applications will be accepted
- Support materials such as annual reports, pamphlets/brochures, newsletters, articles, DVDs, etc. should be mailed to the following address:

States: All

Application Opens: February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1

<http://corporate.honda.com/america/philanthropy.aspx?id=ahf>

Applied Materials Grant

Description: Applied Materials and the Applied Materials Foundation make grants to selected organizations and programs whose goals are closely aligned with the Company's values and interest. We direct approximately 50% of grants to the area of Education, 25% to Civic Engagement, 10% to Arts & Culture, and 15% to environmental awareness and sustainability. Grants are made for one year and may be renewed for up to two additional years based upon results. Applied Materials and the Foundation do not award grants for general operating expenses. Applied Materials has a special interest in funding education grant proposals that:

- Benefit students in grades K-12
- Focus on traditional skills such as reading, writing, math, science and technology, and other subjects that prepare young people for entering the workforce
- Address critical education needs through innovative approaches to learning
- Expand existing efforts in order to reach more students or a wider geographic area
- Actively partner with other nonprofit groups to create, implement or evaluate shared programs
- Offer opportunities for employee engagement
- Address community needs in North America sites where Applied Materials does business

Eligibility: Grantees must be a school or a charitable organization that is classified as 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service.

Award Amount: Requests for \$2500 or more must be submitted through our [online grant application tool](#). Requests for \$2500 or less may be submitted through our simplified [online grant application tool](#).

Requirements: Applications should be submitted through our online tool. Applicants will receive a response from Applied Materials between March 15-31 or August 15-31 depending upon when the request is received.

States: All

Application Deadlines: January 15 and June 15.

<http://www.appliedmaterials.com/company/corporate-responsibility/community>

Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation

Description: The Foundation encourages the creation and expansion of learning experiences and opportunities at the primary, secondary and higher education levels, particularly for minority and disadvantaged students. Areas of special interest to the Foundation include educational and training programs designed to improve literacy, teach basic life skills, promote good citizenship and public service, and increase reading, math and science proficiencies.

Eligibility: Potential grantees must be public charities within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). A current IRS letter determining Code Section 501(c)(3) public charity status must be attached to each grant application.

Award Amount: CICF limits grant donations to any single organization to a maximum of a three year commitment, in an effort to support as many worthy organizations as possible.

Requirements:

- To apply for a Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation ("CICF" or "Foundation") grant, a formal grant application shall be submitted to the Foundation which includes a basic description of the organization and its mission, the purpose of the grant and timetable for program implementation, the amount of funding requested, financial information including project budget and the organization's annual budget, and the expected program results. Use [Grant Application Form](#) to apply.
- Grant recipients may not use more than 10% of the grant for overhead costs or staff salaries; grants must be used for direct program cost or funding for specific programs or activities.
- Each grant recipient must submit a year end report to the Foundation summarizing the project or program results and specifying how the grant monies were applied.

States: All. Charitable requests from the communities where the industry does business are given priority consideration.

Application Opens: CICF grant applications should be submitted at the beginning of each calendar year or at the beginning of each quarter. Grant submissions will be reviewed on a quarterly basis for final selection. The full review process may take up to six months.

<http://www.cruisefoundation.org/requirements-and-guidelines.php>

Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants

Description: The Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries and non-profit organizations to help with the implementation or expansion of literacy programs for students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. Grant funding is provided to assist in the following areas:

- Implementing new or expanding existing literacy programs
- Purchasing new technology or equipment to support literacy initiatives
- Purchasing books, materials or software for literacy programs

There is a preference for literacy programs that target K-12th grade students who are:

- below grade level readers;
- readers with learning disabilities;
- English Language Learners; or
- students with Individualized Education Plans (IEP)

Requirements: The organization must be within 20 miles of a Dollar General store.

States: Dollar General does not have a presence in WY, ID, OR, WA, MT, ND, HI, AK, ME and RI.

Eligibility: Non-profit organizations

Award Amount: Maximum is \$4,000

Application Deadline: May 22

http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/Pages/youth_grants.aspx

Dollar General Summer Reading Grants

Description: Dollar General Literacy Foundation Summer Reading Grants provide funding to local nonprofit organizations and libraries to help with the implementation or expansion of summer reading programs. Programs must target Pre-K through 12th grade students who are new readers, below grade level readers or readers with learning disabilities.

Eligibility: Non-profit organizations

Award Amount: \$3,000

Requirements: The organization must be within 20 miles of a Dollar General store.

States: Dollar General does not have a presence in WY, ID, OR, WA, MT, ND, HI, AK, ME and RI.

Application Deadline: February 28

http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/Pages/summer_reading.aspx

Dollar General Adult Literacy Grants

Description: The Dollar General Adult Literacy Grants award funding to non-profit organizations that provide direct service to adults in need of literacy assistance. Organizations must provide assistance in one of the following instructional areas:

- Adult basic education
- General education diploma preparation
- English for speakers of other languages

Eligibility: Non-profit organizations

Award Amount: \$15,000

Requirements: The organization must be within 20 miles of a Dollar General store.

States: Dollar General does not have a presence in WY, ID, OR, WA, MT, ND, HI, AK, ME and RI.

Application Deadline: February 28

http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/Pages/grant_programs.aspx

Dollar General Family Literacy Grants

Description: The Dollar General Literacy Foundation Family Literacy Grants provide funding to family literacy service providers. The Foundation uses the federal government's definition of family literacy when reviewing grant applications. Organizations applying for funding must have the following four components:

- Adult Education Instruction
- Children's Education
- Parent and Child Together Time (PACT)
- Parenting Classes

Requirements: The organization must be within 20 miles of a Dollar General store.

States: Dollar General does not have a presence in WY, ID, OR, WA, MT, ND, HI, AK, ME and RI.

Eligibility: Non-profit organizations

Award Amount: \$15,000

Application Deadline: February 28

http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/Pages/grant_programs.aspx

Entergy Micro Grant

Description: The Entergy Charitable Foundation (ECF) is a private foundation dedicated to supporting charitable organizations in the diverse communities where Entergy customers and employees live and work. The Foundation's goal is to support initiatives that help create and sustain thriving communities. ECF has a special focus on low-income initiatives, environmental initiatives, and educational and literacy programs.

Eligibility: Schools, hospitals, governmental units and religious institutions that hold nonprofit status similar to that of 501(c)(3) organizations, which may therefore be eligible.

Award Amount: Micro Grants are designed for requests of \$1,000 or less, but they feature a shorter application form and a streamlined review process.

Requirements: Please make sure to submit your application at least three months prior to the time the requested funds are needed. We receive many applications throughout the year, and we need to allow sufficient time to review each request carefully. Once you have submitted your application online, please allow at least 6 (six) to 8 (eight) weeks for review and notification of the result of your request.

States: In considering requests for grants, priority is placed on programs in specific counties/parishes. Please check the following links to determine if your project is located in an area where Entergy has operations: [Arkansas](#), [Louisiana](#), [Mississippi](#), [Massachusetts](#), [New Hampshire](#), [New York](#), [Texas](#), and [Vermont](#).

Application Deadlines: Ongoing

http://www.entergy.com/our_community/micro_grant_guidelines.aspx

From Failure to Promise

Description: In "From Failure to Promise," author Dr. Cleamon Moorer describes his experiences, from flunking out of college to becoming an engineer, consultant, and a university professor. He is now awarding \$1,000 to a community-based organization, library, or school that uses the tenets of his book to motivate, energize, and catapult K-12 students to reach their full potential in literacy, math, science, or technology.

Eligibility: K-12 Teachers, Libraries and Youth Group Leaders

Award Amount: \$1,000

Requirements: Teachers are not required to purchase a book. In most circumstances, a review copy will be provided upon request.

States: All

Application Deadline: July 31

<http://www.fromfailuretopromise.com/K-12--Educator-s-Literacy-Grant.html>

Innovative Approaches to Literacy

Description: The Innovative Approaches to Literacy (IAL) program supports high-quality programs designed to develop and improve literacy skills for children and students from birth through 12th grade within the attendance boundaries of high-need local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools. The U.S. Department of Education (Department) intends to support innovative programs that promote early literacy for young children, motivate older children to read, and increase student achievement by using school libraries, distributing free books to children and their families, and offering high-quality literacy activities.

Many schools and districts across the Nation do not have school libraries that deliver high-quality literacy programming to children and their families. Additionally, many schools do not have qualified library media specialists and library facilities. Where facilities do exist, they are often under-resourced and lack adequate books and other materials. In many communities, high-need children and students have limited access to appropriate age- and grade-level reading material in their homes. The IAL program supports the implementation of high-quality plans for childhood literacy activities and book distribution efforts that are supported by at least one study that meets the definition of scientifically valid research.

Eligibility: (1) a high-need LEA; (2) a national not-for-profit organization that serves children and students within the attendance boundaries of a high-need LEA; (3) a consortium of one or more national not-for-profit organizations that serve children and students within the attendance boundaries of one or more high-need LEAs; or (4) a consortium of high-need LEAs.

Award Amount: Estimated Range of 30 Awards to LEAs: \$150,000 to \$750,000. Estimated Range to 1-4 national not-for-profit organizations: \$3,000,000 to \$14,000,000.

Requirements: The application narrative must be limited to no more than 25 pages. The application narrative is where the applicant addresses the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate the grant application.

States: All

Application Deadline: June 18 to July 18 (every other year)

<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/innovapproaches-literacy/index.html>

International Paper Foundation

Description: Primary Focus areas are Environmental Education and Literacy.

Literacy: International Paper has a strong belief in the value of education and made improving literacy one of our top priorities. Our support of the National Geographic Explorer magazine, which aids in developing literacy skills for children in grades 4-5, is an example of this commitment.

Additionally, we support:

- Programs that enhance availability of reading materials at school and community libraries
- Programs that enhance reading skills of children and adults
- Programs that teach English as a Second Language (ESL)

Environmental Education: We support programs that help both younger and older generations understand a sustainable approach balancing environmental, social and economic needs. Given the vast nature of this subject area, the Foundation has decided to focus on:

- National Geographic Kids Magazine subscriptions at schools in local communities
- Earth's Birthday Project kits for children
- Science-based programs targeting children
- Outdoor classrooms at schools or in communities
- Outdoor science programs tied to forestry, air or water
- Education-based programs that promote recycling, tree planting and composting initiatives

Eligibility: U.S. non-profits interested in funding must be located in communities where International Paper has operations or has an employee base. Please contact your local facility for additional information about local deadlines and other funding requirements.

Award Amount: Dependent on the scope of the project

Requirements: All proposals will be routed to the local IP facility (available locations located in drop down menu) and must be completed in its entirety to be considered. Please contact the facility for local submission deadlines.

States: Must be located in communities where International Paper has operations or has an employee base. Please contact your local facility for additional information about local deadlines and other funding requirements.

Application Opens: Local deadlines will vary by location. Please contact your nearest IP facility directly for local submission deadlines and community guidelines.

<http://www.internationalpaper.com/US/EN/Company/IPGiving/index.html>

IRA Award for Technology and Reading

Description: The IRA Award for Technology and Reading honors educators in grades K–12 who are making an outstanding and innovative contribution to the use of technology in reading education.

Eligibility: Educators who work in public, parochial, or private elementary or secondary schools are eligible for the regional awards. *All entries are eligible for the grand prize.*

Award Amount: There will be one grand-prize winner, seven U.S. regional winners, one Canadian, and one international winner.

Requirements: The program being described must be complete as of the date of the application. No programs planned for future implementation will be accepted. Entries incorporating any brand of computers, operating systems, software applications, and other technologies such as TV or video are acceptable.

States: United States, Canada, or other countries (includes U.S. Territories and APO schools)

Application Deadline: January 15

<http://fs6.formsite.com/intntlreading/form46/index.html>

IRA Erwin Zolt Curriculum Excellence Award

Description: This award, established in memory of Erwin Zolt, who inspired in others a “zest for knowledge”, may be given annually to support exceptional design and execution of a curriculum unit based on In2Books or an e-Pals project and the Common Core State Standards, inspiring students to transform knowledge into creative action.

Eligibility: All applicants must be a member of the International Reading Association (IRA). The applicant must be a teacher mentor or a teacher implementing In2Books in the classroom.

Award Amount: This award is for US \$2,500

States: All

Application Deadline: January 15

http://www.reading.org/resources/AwardsandGrants/award_erwin_zolt.aspx

Letters About Literature Competition

Description: Young readers write to an author describing how that author's work somehow changed the reader's view of the world or himself/herself. Readers respond to the book they've read by exploring the personal relationship between themselves, the author and the book's characters or themes.

Eligibility: Letters About Literature welcomes entries from all readers — reluctant as well as enthusiastic — on three Levels of Competition. Entrants must be at least 9 years old and fall into one of the following categories: Level 1 — Grades 4–6 Level 2 — Grades 7–8 Level 3 — Grades 9–12

Award Amount: The National Winners will receive a \$500 Target GiftCard, plus each will win a \$10,000 LAL Reading Promotion Grant for their community or school library. National Honorable Mention Winners will each receive a \$100 Target GiftCard and a \$1,000 LAL Reading Promotion Grant.

Requirements: Print your name and complete return address (either home or school) in the upper right corner of the first page of your letter. Letters without a return address and adequate contact information will be disqualified. Each letter must be accompanied by an entry coupon (that can be found on the website). Staple the coupon to the last page of your letter. Should you win a state or a national prize, your State Center for the Book will contact you using this information, so be sure your coupon is complete and legible!

States: All

Application Deadline: December 15 and January 15, depending on the grades submitted
http://www.lettersaboutliterature.org/how_to_enter

Margaret Alexander Edwards Trust

Description: Innovative programs that promote reading for pleasure for young adults. Applications that feature new or creative programs will receive special consideration over those simply seeking funds for collection development or for a book discussion group.

Eligibility: School and Public Libraries

Award Amount: Under \$5,000

Requirements: Download the application form and submit it by email. The application form can be found at: <http://www.carr.org/mae/MAEAPP.pdf>

Julian L. Lapidés, Esquire, Trust Manager

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Baltimore, MD 21210

410.464.0100

The Trust prefers to be contacted by postal mail or phone, which is why neither an email address or URL is provided.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/edwards-award>

Mazda Foundation

Description: Through the Mazda Foundation, Mazda and its employees are working together to proactively help our neighbors - and the communities where we live and work - to build a better, brighter future. With contributions exceeding \$5 million since its founding in 1992, the Mazda Foundation is playing a meaningful role in helping thousands of Americans realize their aspirations and dreams. It's also important to note that programs the Mazda Foundation supports range from children's organizations and educational scholarships to food banks, environmental programs and crucial disaster relief efforts. The Mazda Foundation awards grants to programs promoting:

- Education and literacy - Environmental conservation - Cross-cultural understanding - Social welfare - Scientific research

Eligibility: Public Schools

Award Amount: Grants are awarded according to the nature and need of the program.

Requirements: Organizations that have submitted an application that is of interest to the Foundation will be required to submit a formal proposal.

States: All

Application Opens: We only accept applications from May 1 through July 1

http://www.mazdafoundation.org/Grant_Guidelines.html

Meemic Foundation

Description: Grants are available for a variety of programs, including: Arts, Behavior Modification, Cross-Curricular, Health/Physical Education, History, Literature, Math, Science, Social Studies, Special Needs, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and Technology.

Funding is also available for a variety of projects, including: Classroom projects, Field trips, School assemblies and Professional development for educators.

Eligibility: Public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Each grant proposal is evaluated based on the following criteria: Demonstrated need, Project potential for having a lasting impact on students, How the program relates to classroom instruction or a school or school district improvement goal, Ability to replicate the project for future use and Cost effectiveness.

States: Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.meemic.com/the-meemic-foundation.aspx>

Pitney Bowes Foundation

Description: Support will be given to literacy and education programs that focus on workforce preparation and giving individuals the skills they will need to succeed by partnering with a limited number of national organizations and with local non-profit organizations.

Preference will be given to:

- Early childhood education
- After-school programs
- Mentoring programs
- Literacy programs
- Job training programs

Eligibility: The Pitney Bowes Foundation, Inc. awards grants to organizations that have been approved by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as 501(c)(3) public charities, and Government institutions such as schools and libraries.

Award Amount: If you are applying for a grant over \$25,000, you will also be required to upload audited financial statements, for the two most recent years as required by law, and organizational budget. If you are applying for a grant over \$50,000, in addition to the above mentioned documents, you will also be required to upload your organization's 990s for two most recent years as required by law, your annual report, CVs of key employees, and a list of funders.

Requirements: Organizations must apply via the online system and may submit only one grant request per year.

States:

Bridgeport, CT, Danbury, CT, Hartford CT, Shelton, CT and Stamford, CT.
Washington, DC, Boston/Waltham, MA, Albany/Troy, NY, Grand Rapids, MI,
Spokane, WA, Appleton, WI and Chesapeake, VA

Application Opens: Grant application deadlines are January 15 and June 1 of each year. Organizations may apply for funding only once in a calendar year.

<http://www.pb.com/docs/US/pdf/Our-Company/Corporate-Responsibility/Literacy-and-Education-Grant-Application.pdf>

Reading is the Way Up Literacy Grant

Description: In 2004, City National Bank established the Reading is the Way Up® Fund, a component fund of the California Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public charity, which administers the grants for City National Bank's Literacy Grants Program. The purpose of the fund is to provide charitable gifts to enhance school libraries and fund literacy projects in the communities we serve. Funds are to be used to enhance the curriculum and actively engage students in meaningful learning experiences. Grants may be used to purchase books, videos, CDs, DVDs, computer software and hardware, and any other educational resources to be owned or used. Eligibility: Teachers, librarians, school media specialists, and administrators may apply if they work fulltime at K-12 schools.

Award Amount: \$500

Requirements: The school principal or administrator must understand and fully support the project, as evidenced by signing the statement of support on the application form and final grant agreement.

States: Select cities and counties in California, Nevada, New York, Tennessee and Georgia. To see a complete list, go to <http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>.

Application Opens: October - December

<http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>

RGK Foundation

Requirements: RGK Foundation awards grants in the broad areas of Education, Community, and Medicine/Health. The Foundation's primary interests within Education include programs that focus on formal K-12 education (particularly mathematics, science and reading), teacher development, literacy, and higher education.

Eligibility: Grants are made only to nonprofit organizations certified as tax exempt under Sections 501(c)(3) or 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and are classified as "not a private foundation" under Section 509(a). Hospitals, educational institutions, and governmental institutions meeting these requirements are eligible to apply.

Award Amount: The average Foundation grant is \$25,000

Requirements: RGK Foundation no longer accepts unsolicited grant proposals. All applicants must complete an electronic Letter of Inquiry from the Web site as the first step. RGK Foundation will entertain one electronic Letter of Inquiry (LOI) per organization in a twelve-month period. Organizations that submit unsolicited proposals will receive notification directing them to submit an electronic Letter of Inquiry via the Web site.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.rgkfoundation.org/public/guidelines>

Sherlock Holmes Teaching Grant

Description: To provide needed financial assistance to persons and organizations developing literacy programs and other educational experiences that will introduce young people to Sherlock Holmes.

- Encourage young people to read;
- Introduce young people to Sherlock Holmes and, in particular, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes stories;
- Provide needed financial support in the form of grants to support projects introducing more young people to Sherlock Holmes;
- Reach out both to current Holmes fans and non-Sherlockians, encouraging them through financial assistance to develop such projects

Eligibility: Elementary, Middle School, and Upper School Teachers (public and private). Librarians (school, public libraries, etc.). Enthusiasts of detective/mystery fiction who are active in organizations involving young people, such as scouting and Sherlockian Holmes Societies.

Award Amount: Up to \$500 per award

Requirements: Completed applications should be returned to:

The Beacon Society
c/o Allan Devitt
16W603 Third Ave.
Bensenville, IL 60106-2327
OR adevitt@comcast.net

States: US and Canada

Application Deadline: May 1

<http://www.beaconsociety.com/JanStauberGrant.html>

Ticket to Reading Rewards

Description: Ticket To Reading Rewards is a reading incentive program that encourages Middle School students to read books outside the classroom and obtain rewards for reading. Over the life of the program, students have read an estimated 4,000,000 books, obtained nearly 1,000,000 rewards and attended 125,000 local men's and women's NCAA basketball games--all at no cost to the school district or its students.

Eligibility: Middle school students

Award Amount: Rewards have included subscriptions to Sports Illustrated for Kids, miniature basketball hoops, medals, trophies, basketballs autographed by NCAA coaches, books and gift certificates. The top reader in each school receives special recognition, and schools compete against each other for a coveted award. All prizes are provided free of charge to the student and school through the generosity of the sponsors and donors of the NABC Foundation.

Requirements: Students are encouraged to read to obtain predetermined rewards for participating and for reading 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 books—with each student able to receive all six rewards.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.tickettoreadingrewards.org/about.html>

Wish You Well Foundation

Description: Requests should align with the Wish You Well Foundation's mission: "Supporting family literacy in the United States by fostering and promoting the development and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs"

Eligibility: Requests must come from an Internal Revenue Service recognized 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization

Award Amount: Range from \$200 to \$10,000

Requirements: Single-page proposal that includes

- The organization's history, mission, and contact information
- The amount requested
- The program or event to be funded.

Requests may also include supplemental information for consideration

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing. The Wish You Well Foundation board meets on average four times per year (specific dates determined by the availability of board members to attend). Upon receipt of the donation request form, organizations will be notified as to the specific meeting date when their request will be reviewed and voted upon by the Board.

<http://www.wishyouwellfoundation.org/apply-for-funding/>

Witter Bynner Foundation for Poetry

Description: Through a bequest from Witter Bynner in 1972, The Witter Bynner Foundation for Poetry perpetuates the art of poetry. The foundation promotes poetry in American culture and encourages grant proposals that expand awareness of the positive effects of poetry on society.

Eligibility: Grant support is provided to non-profit, tax exempt organizations as defined under section 501 (c) (3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code.

Award Amount: Organizations may apply for grant support from \$1,000 to \$10,000 for a maximum of three years. The foundation does not support indirect costs for grant administration, endowment funds, capital improvements, or general operating expenses.

Requirements: A Letter of Intent is required before a grant application can be approved. If the foundation finds the request appropriate and within the scope of our mission, an invitation to submit an application will follow.

States: All

Application Deadline: Completed applications must be postmarked by February 15 each year. Funding decisions are made at the April meeting of the Board of Directors. Applicants will be notified as to the status of their proposals by the end of May.

<http://www.bynnerfoundation.org/grants/index.htm>

YALSA/Greenwood Publishing Group Service to Young Adults Achievement Award

Description: The grant recognizes a member who has demonstrated unique and sustained devotion to young adult services through substantial work in any two or more of these initiatives:

- The promotion of library services for young adults
- Conducting and publishing research for young adults
- Publication or presentation of knowledge or best practices relating to young adult literature or library services for young adults
- Advocating for young adult literature or library services for young adults
- Mentoring of other professionals in the field of young adult literature or library services
- Notable efforts in furthering the mission of YALSA

Eligibility: YALSA Members

Award Amount: \$2,000

Requirements:

- All entries must use the [application form](#) provided below by the Young Adult Library Services Association.
- All persons being nominated must be current personal members of ALA/YALSA at the time the application is submitted to be eligible. The nominator does not need to be a member of ALA or YALSA.
- Entries should be models of clarity and completeness and no more than one typed page.
- Completed applications should be emailed to Nichole Gilbert at ngilbert@ala.org with the name of the award in the subject line. Questions should be directed to Nichole at: 800/545-2433 x 4387
- Applications are only accepted during odd years and must be received no later than December 1.

States: All

Application Opens: Deadline December 1

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/awardsandgrants/achievement.cfm>

Mathematics

Applied Materials Grant

Description: Applied Materials and the Applied Materials Foundation make grants to selected organizations and programs whose goals are closely aligned with the Company's values and interest. We direct approximately 50% of grants to the area of Education, 25% to Civic Engagement, 10% to Arts & Culture, and 15% to environmental awareness and sustainability. Grants are made for one year and may be renewed for up to two additional years based upon results. Applied Materials and the Foundation do not award grants for general operating expenses. Applied Materials has a special interest in funding education grant proposals that:

- Benefit students in grades K-12
- Focus on traditional skills such as reading, writing, math, science and technology, and other subjects that prepare young people for entering the workforce
- Address critical education needs through innovative approaches to learning
- Expand existing efforts in order to reach more students or a wider geographic area
- Actively partner with other nonprofit groups to create, implement or evaluate shared programs
- Offer opportunities for employee engagement
- Address community needs in North America sites where Applied Materials does business

Eligibility: Grantees must be a school or a charitable organization that is classified as 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service.

Award Amount: Requests for \$2500 or more must be submitted through our [online grant application tool](#). Requests for \$2500 or less may be submitted through our simplified [online grant application tool](#).

Requirements: Applications should be submitted through our online tool. Applicants will receive a response from Applied Materials between March 15-31 or August 15-31 depending upon when the request is received.

States: All

Application Deadlines: January 15 and June 15.

<http://www.appliedmaterials.com/company/corporate-responsibility/community>

Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation

Description: The Foundation encourages the creation and expansion of learning experiences and opportunities at the primary, secondary and higher education levels, particularly for minority and disadvantaged students. Areas of special interest to the Foundation include educational and training programs designed to improve literacy, teach basic life skills, promote good citizenship and public service, and increase reading, math and science proficiencies.

Eligibility: Potential grantees must be public charities within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). A current IRS letter determining Code Section 501(c)(3) public charity status must be attached to each grant application.

Award Amount: CICF limits grant donations to any single organization to a maximum of a three year commitment, in an effort to support as many worthy organizations as possible.

Requirements:

- To apply for a Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation ("CICF" or "Foundation") grant, a formal grant application shall be submitted to the Foundation which includes a basic description of the organization and its mission, the purpose of the grant and timetable for program implementation, the amount of funding requested, financial information including project budget and the organization's annual budget, and the expected program results. Use [Grant Application Form](#) to apply.
- Grant recipients may not use more than 10% of the grant for overhead costs or staff salaries; grants must be used for direct program cost or funding for specific programs or activities.
- Each grant recipient must submit a year end report to the Foundation summarizing the project or program results and specifying how the grant monies were applied.

States: All. Charitable requests from the communities where the industry does business are given priority consideration.

Application Opens: CICF grant applications should be submitted at the beginning of each calendar year or at the beginning of each quarter. Grant submissions will be reviewed on a quarterly basis for final selection. The full review process may take up to six months.

<http://www.cruisefoundation.org/requirements-and-guidelines.php>

Dominion K-12 Educational Partnership

Description: Educational grants from Dominion and the Dominion Foundation provide elementary and secondary educators with the tools they need to revitalize math and science programs through the study of energy and the environment.

Eligibility: Public and private elementary and secondary schools and public school divisions that are registered with the National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES)

Award Amount: In the area of k-12 education, Dominion accepts grant applications, up to \$10,000, to encourage the development of new programs to strengthen math and science education through the study of energy or the environment.

Requirements: Successful grant proposals should represent innovative and promising ideas, teach math and/or science skills, reach a significant number of students and demonstrate broad-based community support. Proposals must align with one of the following target areas:

- **Environmental Education:** projects to develop math and/or science skills through the study of the environment.
- **Energy Grants:** projects designed to increase students' awareness of energy efficiency and conservation, energy sources or other energy-related topics.

States: Eligible participants must reside in a specified geographic area in Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, West Virginia, or Wisconsin.

Application Deadline: May 15

<http://www.dom.com/about/education/grants/index.jsp>

From Failure to Promise

Description: In "From Failure to Promise," author Dr. Cleamon Moorer describes his experiences, from flunking out of college to becoming an engineer, consultant, and a university professor. He is now awarding \$1,000 to a community-based organization, library, or school that uses the tenets of his book to motivate, energize, and catapult K-12 students to reach their full potential in literacy, math, science, or technology.

Eligibility: K-12 Teachers, Libraries and Youth Group Leaders

Award Amount: \$1,000

Requirements: Teachers are not required to purchase a book. In most circumstances, a review copy will be provided upon request.

States: All

Application Deadline: July 31

<http://www.fromfailuretopromise.com/K-12--Educator-s-Literacy-Grant.html>

Meemic Foundation

Description: Grants are available for a variety of programs, including: Arts, Behavior Modification, Cross-Curricular, Health/Physical Education, History, Literature, Math, Science, Social Studies, Special Needs, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and Technology.

Funding is also available for a variety of projects, including: Classroom projects, Field trips, School assemblies and Professional development for educators.

Eligibility: Public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Each grant proposal is evaluated based on the following criteria: Demonstrated need, Project potential for having a lasting impact on students, How the program relates to classroom instruction or a school or school district improvement goal, Ability to replicate the project for future use and Cost effectiveness.

States: Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.meemic.com/the-meemic-foundation.aspx>

Monsanto Farmers to Nominate School District Education Grant

Description: America's Farmers Grow Rural EducationSM (AFGRE), a Monsanto Fund program, gives farmers in 1,245 counties across 39 states the opportunity to nominate their public school district to compete for a grant of up to \$25,000. Eligible grant requests will need to focus on increasing interest or improving instruction or learning in science and/or math. School districts must be nominated by a farmer in one of the eligible counties in order to apply for the grants. Once a school district is nominated, that district will be notified and sent an invitation code to apply for a grant at www.MonsantoFund.org.

Eligibility: A list of eligible states and counties can be found at:

<http://www.americasfarmers.com/growruraleducation/rules.aspx>

Award Amount: The Monsanto Fund will award 199 grants in 39 states. \$10,000-\$25,000

Requirements: The program is open to all public school districts in the eligible counties within the designated 39 states. Charter Schools are eligible if their NCES (National Center for Education Statistics) ID is located within an eligible county.

States: 39 states <http://www.americasfarmers.com/growruraleducation/rules.aspx>

Application Deadline: April 15

<http://www.americasfarmers.com/community-outreach/grow-rural-education/>

National Council of Teachers of Math Grants

Description: The [National Council of Teachers of Mathematics](#) works to ensure equitable mathematics learning of the highest quality for all students through the vision, leadership, and professional development of mathematics teachers.

Eligibility: Applicants must be current NCTM members and currently teach mathematics at least 50 percent of the school day.

States: All

Application Deadline: November 7

<http://www.nctm.org/Grants/>

Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

Description: Enacted by Congress in 1983, this program authorizes the President to bestow up to 108 awards each year. PAEMST winners are honored the year following the receipt of the application. Each awardee receives a citation signed by the President of the United States, a \$10,000 award from NSF, and gifts from a broad range of donors. Awardees and their guests are honored during events that take place in Washington, DC. These events include an award ceremony, celebratory receptions, professional development programs, and discussions with policy-makers on how to improve mathematics and science education.

Eligibility: Teach mathematics or science at the K-6th grade level in a public or private school.

Average amount: \$10,000.00

Requirement: Once a teacher is nominated or registers, the teacher will receive an email invitation to continue the application process. The invitation will include a user name and password for accessing the online application system.

States: Awards are given to mathematics and science teachers from each of the 50 states and four U.S. jurisdictions. The jurisdictions are Washington, D.C.; Puerto Rico; Department of Defense Schools; and the U.S. territories as a group (American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands).

Application Open: Fall

<http://www.paemst.org/controllers/home.cfc?method=view>

PNC Grow Up Great Early Childhood Grant

Description: The PNC Foundation supports educational programs for children and youth, particularly early education initiatives that serve low-and moderate-income children (birth through age five), their teachers and families. Priority is given to programs that focus in the areas of math, science, the arts or financial education and include one or some combination of the following:

- Direct services for children in their classroom or community
- Professional development for teachers
- Family engagement in the early education of children being served by grants
- Volunteer opportunities for PNC employees

Eligibility: Organizations receiving support from the PNC Foundation must have a current Internal Revenue Service tax-exempt designation and be eligible to receive charitable contributions. In addition, the proposed activity must occur in a community where PNC has a significant presence.

Award Amount: Varies

Requirements: Beginning in January 2014, the PNC Foundation and Community Affairs functions within PNC will implement a web-based application process for grants from the PNC Foundation and charitable sponsorships from PNC Bank, NA. This significant change is one that will save your organization time and improve your organization's ability to submit and track the status of these applications.

States: Mid and Northeast US. The PNC Foundation conducts all philanthropic giving regionally. Please address all inquiries and grant proposals directly to the local PNC representative listed for your particular region. http://www.pncsites.com/pncfoundation/foundation_grantProcess.html

Application Deadline: Ongoing

http://www1.pnc.com/pncfoundation/foundation_grantProcess.html

Toshiba America Grant Program for K-5 Science and Math Education

Requirements: K-5 grade teachers are invited to use Toshiba America Foundation's short application form to describe a set of lessons or a hands-on project they would like to introduce in their own classrooms. Toshiba America Foundation's mission is to provide teachers with additional funds to support classroom projects. The Foundation strongly encourages projects planned and led by individual teachers or teams of teachers for their own classrooms. Many successful grantees have designed projects that tap into the natural curiosity of their students, enable students to frame their own scientific questions, and incorporate the expertise of community partners.

Eligibility: Any K-5 teacher in a public or private (not-for-profit) school is eligible for a grant to support science or math education up to \$1,000 for project materials only.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Before submitting a completed proposal, teachers are encouraged to call the Toshiba America Foundation team to discuss their project ideas. To learn more about the application process and the Foundation's grant-making guidelines call 212-596-0620.

States: All

Application Deadline: October 1st

http://www.toshiba.com/taf/k5_apply.jsp

Toshiba America Grant Program for 6-12 Science and Math Education

Description: Wanted: Classroom Innovators! Toshiba America Foundation is currently accepting applications from teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. Do you teach 6-12 science or math? Do you have a wish list of instructional equipment that will make learning more exciting for your students? If the answer is yes to these questions, Toshiba America Foundation would like to hear from you.

Eligibility: Science and math teachers in public or private (non-profit) schools may apply for grants to support classroom science and math education. Endorsement from a school official is required.

Award Amount: Up to \$5,000

Requirements: Before submitting a completed proposal, teachers are encouraged to call the Toshiba America Foundation team to discuss their project ideas. To learn more about the application process and the Foundation's grant-making guidelines call 212-596-0620.

States: All

Application Opens: Grant requests for \$5,000 or less are accepted on a rolling basis, throughout the calendar year. Grant requests for \$5,000 or more are accepted and reviewed twice a year - August 1st and February 1st each year.

<http://www.toshiba.com/taf/612.jsp>

Nominate a Teacher, Librarian or School District for Excellence

American School Board Journal's Magna Awards

Description: The Magna Awards Is A National Recognition Program Co-sponsored By American School Board Journal, The National School Boards Association, And Sodexo School Services That Honors School Board Best Practices And Innovative Programs That Advance Student Learning.

Eligibility: If you are nominating a program from a school district in the U.S., the district must be a member of your state school boards association to be eligible.

Award Amount: Magna nominations are judged according to three enrollment categories (under 5,000 enrollment; 5,000-20,000 enrollment; and over 20,000 enrollment) with one Grand Prize Winner in each category. Each Grand Prize Winner receives a \$4,000 contribution from Sodexo School Services. There are five additional winners and five honorable mention winners within each enrollment category.

Requirements: Only nominations made online using the online Magna Nomination form will be considered by the judges.

States: All

Application Opens: August 1

<http://www.asbj.com/MainMenuCategory/Supplements/MagnaAwards/WhatisMagna.aspx>

Breakthrough Schools

Description: Selection criteria are based on a school's documented success in implementing strategies aligned with the three core areas of *Breaking Ranks II* for middle level and high schools that have led to improved student achievement, and include the following:

- **Collaborative leadership:** professional learning communities, shared leadership, and student and staff leadership development
- **Personalization:** attention to all students, mentoring, and school/community connections
- **Curriculum, instruction, and assessment:** access to rigorous coursework for all students, differentiated instruction with multiple assessments, data-based decision making, and opportunities for career development

Eligibility: Middle schools and high schools with 40% or more of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals are eligible. K-12 and K-8 schools with 40% or more of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals are eligible.

Award Amount: Winning schools will receive \$5,000 and a feature in the association's monthly magazine. Principals of winning schools will participate in dissemination efforts at the NASSP Annual Convention.

Requirements: Schools do not have to be a member of the National Association of Secondary Schools to be nominated.

States: Schools within the United States and Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools can be nominated.

Application Deadline: June 30

<http://www.nassp.org/AwardsandRecognition/MetLifeFoundationNASSPBreakthroughSchools/FrequentlyAskedQuestions.aspx>

I Love My Librarian Award

Description: Nominate your favorite librarian.

Eligibility: Public School Librarian, Public Library Librarian

Award Amount: Up to ten winners will be selected this year and receive a \$5,000 cash award, a plaque and \$500 travel stipend to attend an awards reception in New York hosted by The New York Times. In addition, a plaque will be given to each award winner's library.

Requirements: Online application with questions that describe the nominee. Examples:

- Please tell us in 2-3 sentences why your nominee should win this award.
- How has the nominee helped you and/or students at school? For example, did the nominee help you with a project, recommend resources or collaborate with you to enhance student learning?

States: All

Application Deadline: September 12

<http://www.ilovelibraries.org/lovelibrarian/home.cfm>

We Love Libraries!

Description: Enter your library in "We Love Libraries" lottery. At the end of each month, a winner will be drawn from entries received at our website at www.sistersincrime.org. To enter, simply complete the entry form and upload a photo of one or more of your staff with three books in your collection by Sisters in Crime members. You can [find a list of our members who are authors](#) by clicking here.

Eligibility: US Library

Award Amount: Monthly grants of \$1,000

Requirements: Those not successful in one month will automatically be entered for subsequent drawings. Grants must be used to purchase books and may not be used for general operating expenses. Book purchases are NOT restricted to the mystery genre nor to those by Sisters in Crime members.

States: All

Application Opens: Awarded monthly from January through December

<http://www.sistersincrime.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=53>

IRA Regie Routman Teacher Recognition Grant

Description: The International Reading Association will honor an outstanding mainstream, elementary classroom teacher dedicated to improving the teaching and learning of reading and writing, across the curriculum in real world contexts in grades K–6 (ages 5–12).

Eligibility: Teacher in grades K-6

Award Amount: \$2,500 award is supported by a grant from Regie Routman.

Requirements: The grant may not be used for purchase of commercial programs. All applicants must be IRA members, and at least 60% of the school's students must be eligible for free or reduced lunch.

States: All

Application Opens: May 1

<http://fs6.formsite.com/intntlreading/form49/index.html>

Parental Involvement

Daniels Fund Grant

Description: Our funding areas are core to our purpose and they do not change: Early Childhood Education, K-12 Education Reform, Parental Involvement, Ethics & Integrity in Education, Homeless & Disadvantaged and Youth Development.

Eligibility: The organization applying must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) or equivalent. Large institutions (such as a university or school district) should call before applying

Award Amount: Grant amounts vary considerably and depend on many factors. Important considerations include the applying organization's program budget, the impact the grant will have, and the levels of support the program is receiving from other sources.

Requirements: Sufficient local and other financial support exists to ensure the project or program will be implemented and will continue after the grant period. Before starting the online application process, we strongly encourage you to call us

States: CO, NM, UT and WY

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.danielsfund.org/Grants/index.asp>

Brinker International Foundation

Description: With a diverse variety of local fundraising activities and corporate giving programs, Brinker and its restaurants contribute more than \$3 million annually to a number of worthwhile charities. The objective of the Brinker International Foundation is to support programs and projects that are affiliated with Children/Family, Arts, Civic, and University related educational programs.

Eligibility: Public or Private Schools, Public Libraries

Award Amount: Based on the project and the request

Requirements: Brinker International's Charitable Committee must have the following information from organizations requesting donations. This information must be submitted on the organization's official letterhead.

- The exact amount requested and the specific purpose for the donation briefly summarized on 1-2 typewritten pages.
- The request should detail how the donations will be used.
- Information about your organization, including proof of 501(c)(3) status and sources of funding.
- Information, if any, concerning past or current involvement of Brinker International employees with the organization.
- We may also come back and ask for the organization's current Board of Directors, including their business and civic affiliations, as well as the organization's recent financial statements. Requests that do not meet the requirements of the Brinker Charitable Committee will not be considered.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

http://www.brinker.com/contact/charitable_requests.asp

Joseph Bruno Foundation Grants

Description: Primary focus area is education, specifically the following: preparing children for success in school; supporting school readiness; quality early childhood development and early intervention; and working with families and youth service organizations to insure academic success and prevent school dropout. Organizations and programs that show collaboration and sharing of ideas and resources are strongly supported.

Eligibility: Grant requests are considered from nonprofit organizations that are tax exempt under Section 501 (c) (3) of the IRS Code.

Award Amount: Dependent on the project.

Requirements: A four page letter.

States: All

Application Opens: There are two deadlines for proposal submission each year: March 15 for April board meeting and September 15 for October board meeting.

<http://www.jsbcf.org/funding.asp>

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Description: We want to partner with families, schools and communities in making a difference in young children's learning and development. To do so, we support community-based family engagement efforts that empower parents, caregivers and families as leaders in children's development, recognizing that this is a shared responsibility with schools and communities. We seek to improve the quality of both teaching and learning through leadership and professional development in which educators receive the support and training they need to deliver high-quality learning opportunities for all students. This includes working with child care providers, schools and teacher preparation programs to create safe, positive environments that are content rich, results-driven and culturally meaningful and relevant. We support aligning systems to increase collaboration and improve the effectiveness of everyone who works in early child development – including centers, home-based and informal child care, K-12 schools, government systems and business. We believe this is essential if all families and young children are to have access to high-quality education.

Eligibility: Non-Profit and Public Government Agencies

Award Amount: Dependent on the scope of the project

Requirements: Once we receive your completed online application, an automated response, which includes your WKKF reference number, will be sent to you acknowledging its receipt. Our goal is to review your application and email our initial response to you within 45 days. Your grant may be declined or it may be selected for further development.

States: All US States, however, priority is given to Michigan, Mississippi and New Mexico.

Application Deadline: The Kellogg Foundation does not have any submission deadlines. Grant applications are accepted throughout the year and are reviewed at our headquarters in Battle Creek, Michigan.

<http://www.wkkf.org/grants/for-grantseekers.aspx>

Professional Development

Breakthrough Schools

Description: Selection criteria are based on a school's documented success in implementing strategies aligned with the three core areas of *Breaking Ranks II* for middle level and high schools that have led to improved student achievement, and include the following:

- **Collaborative leadership:** professional learning communities, shared leadership, and student and staff leadership development
- **Personalization:** attention to all students, mentoring, and school/community connections
- **Curriculum, instruction, and assessment:** access to rigorous coursework for all students, differentiated instruction with multiple assessments, data-based decision making, and opportunities for career development

Eligibility: Middle schools and high schools with 40% or more of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals are eligible. K-12 and K-8 schools with 40% or more of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals are eligible.

Award Amount: Winning schools will receive \$5,000 and a feature in the association's monthly magazine. Principals of winning schools will participate in dissemination efforts at the NASSP Annual Convention.

Requirements: Schools do not have to be a member of the National Association of Secondary Schools to be nominated.

States: Schools within the United States and Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools can be nominated.

Application Deadline: June 30

<http://www.nassp.org/AwardsandRecognition/MetLifeFoundationNASSPBreakthroughSchools/FrequentlyAskedQuestions.aspx>

Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program

Description: This program supports projects to develop faculty and library leaders, to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians, to conduct research on the library profession, and to support early career research on any area of library and information science by tenure-track, untenured faculty in graduate schools of library and information science. It also supports projects to encourage careers in librarianship, to build institutional capacity in graduate schools of library and information science, and to assist in the professional development of librarians and library staff. All members of the library community are invited to play an active role in ensuring that the profession is prepared to meet the challenges of the 21st century by recruiting a new generation of faculty and librarians, preparing library leaders, and strengthening graduate schools of library and information science.

Eligibility: Eligible libraries include public libraries, elementary and secondary school libraries, college and university libraries, research libraries and archives that are not an integral part of an institution of higher education and that make publicly available library services and materials that are suitable for scholarly research and not otherwise available, and private or special libraries that have been deemed eligible to participate in this program by the state in which the library is located.

Award Amount: \$50,000–\$1,000,000

Requirements: Categories of funding include Doctoral Programs; Master's Programs; Research (including both research on and about the library profession and workforce, and Early Career Development); Preprofessional Programs, Programs to Build Institutional Capacity; Continuing Education; and Planning Grants.

States: All, including the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau;

Application Deadline: September 15

<http://www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/21centuryLibrarian.shtm>

McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation Teacher Development Grant

Description: The McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation believes that continuous, insightful and innovative professional training and growth is crucial to the effectiveness of educators. It is the Foundation's goal to promote best practices through cooperative and sustained commitment to increased efficacy, improved teaching and active learning. As such, the Foundation values proposals aimed at concurrently boosting student understanding and proficiency and instilling a passion for lifelong learning. The Teacher Development Grants support small teams of teachers in the formation and implementation of groundbreaking k-12 classroom instruction. The grants provide opportunities for teachers to integrate fresh strategies that encourage critical inquiry and to observe their effects on students. Teachers have the opportunity to reflect and write about their projects, as well as to share their results with other teachers. The Foundation awards grants to individuals in amounts up to \$10,000 per year for a maximum of \$30,000 over three years, provided the eligibility requirements continue to be met.

Eligibility:

- licensed k-12 teachers employed in public or private schools
- have the background and experience to complete the project successfully
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- are willing to work in collaboration with the Foundation

Award Amount: Amounts up to \$10,000 per year for a maximum of three years, provided the eligibility requirements continue to be met.

Requirements: A project may have one to many participants involved in its planning and implementation. However, the Foundation does require that each application be submitted in the name of one individual even if there are two or more participants involved in a single project.

States: All

Application Deadline: January 15 to April 15

<http://mccartheydressman.org/teacher-development-grants/>

National Council of Teachers of Math Grants

Description: The [National Council of Teachers of Mathematics](#) works to ensure equitable mathematics learning of the highest quality for all students through the vision, leadership, and professional development of mathematics teachers.

Eligibility: Applicants must be current NCTM members and currently teach mathematics at least 50 percent of the school day.

States: All

Application Deadline: November 7

<http://www.nctm.org/Grants/>

NEA Learning and Leadership

Description: Our Learning & Leadership grants support public school teachers, public education support professionals. Decisions regarding the content of the professional growth activities must be based upon an assessment of student work undertaken with colleagues, and must be integrated into the institutional planning process. Grant funds may be used for fees, travel expenses, books, or other materials that enable applicants to learn subject matter, instructional approaches, and skills. Recipients are expected to exercise professional leadership by sharing their new learning with their colleagues.

Eligibility: Applicants must be practicing U.S: public school teachers in grades PreK–12; or public school education support professionals. Preference will be given to members of the National Education Association. The NEA Foundation encourages grant applications from teachers with less than seven years of experience in the profession and education support professionals.

Award Amount: The grant amount is \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups engaged in collegial study. All \$5,000 group grant applicants must include partner information.

Requirements: All professional development must improve practice, curriculum, and student achievement. "One-shot" professional growth experiences, such as attending a national conference or engaging a professional speaker, are discouraged. Decisions regarding the content of the professional growth activities must be based upon an assessment of student work undertaken with colleagues, and must be integrated into the institutional planning process. Grant funds may be used for fees, travel expenses, books, or other materials that enable applicants to learn subject matter, instructional approaches, and skills. Recipients are required to exercise professional leadership by sharing their new learning with their colleagues.

State: All

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.neafoundation.org/pages/learning-leadership-grants/>

RGK Foundation

Requirements: RGK Foundation awards grants in the broad areas of Education, Community, and Medicine/Health. The Foundation's primary interests within Education include programs that focus on formal K-12 education (particularly mathematics, science and reading), teacher development, literacy, and higher education.

Eligibility: Grants are made only to nonprofit organizations certified as tax exempt under Sections 501(c)(3) or 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and are classified as "not a private foundation" under Section 509(a). Hospitals, educational institutions, and governmental institutions meeting these requirements are eligible to apply.

Award Amount: The average Foundation grant is \$25,000

Requirements: RGK Foundation no longer accepts unsolicited grant proposals. All applicants must complete an electronic Letter of Inquiry from the Web site as the first step. RGK Foundation will entertain one electronic Letter of Inquiry (LOI) per organization in a twelve-month period. Organizations that submit unsolicited proposals will receive notification directing them to submit an electronic Letter of Inquiry via the Web site.

States: All

Application Opens: There is no deadline for submitting an electronic Letter of Inquiry. Foundation staff reviews electronic Letters of Inquiry on an ongoing basis and typically responds within two days, although we ask that you allow up to two weeks for a response.

<http://www.rgkfoundation.org/public/guidelines>

State Farm Education Excellence

Description: We support efforts to provide all children with an education that will allow them to reach their greatest potential and prepare them to participate in a nation and economy that continues as a global leader. We fund three types of grants for K-12 public schools.

- Teacher Development
- Service-Learning
- Education Reform/Systemic Improvement

Eligibility: Educational Institutions

Award Amount: Dependent on the project

States: US and Canada

Application Opens: September 2 through October 31

<https://www.statefarm.com/about-us/community/education-programs/grants-scholarships/company-grants/>

Stuart Foundation

Description: The Stuart Foundation is dedicated to transforming public education and the child welfare system so that all youth can learn and achieve in school and life. The Foundation is a partner and convener in melding the resources, thinking, and energy necessary to create and sustain system-wide change in California and Washington. It invests in programs and practices that serve as scalable and sustainable models and that inform policy. Our focus in Education: Districts & Education Systems, Education Leadership and Teaching and Learning.

Eligibility: Certain organizations that qualify as tax-exempt within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Service code are eligible to apply to the Foundation. Examples are school districts, universities, and government entities, such as city or county agencies.

Award Amount: The amount that you request from the Foundation should be proportionate to your organizational budget, project budget, and expected income from other sources. While we have no restrictions regarding the maximum size grant you may request, program staff will take into consideration your track record in implementing projects of a similar size and scope.

Requirements: A Letter of Inquiry must be submitted first. Foundation staff may request a proposal after reviewing an organization's LOI. Program staff will contact your organization within approximately 60 days after we receive your LOI to inform you of whether you have been selected to submit a full proposal.

States: California and Washington

Application Opens: Ongoing

<http://www.stuartfoundation.org/BecomeOurPartner/GrantApplicationProcess>

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Description: We want to partner with families, schools and communities in making a difference in young children's learning and development. To do so, we support community-based family engagement efforts that empower parents, caregivers and families as leaders in children's development, recognizing that this is a shared responsibility with schools and communities. We seek to improve the quality of both teaching and learning through leadership and professional development in which educators receive the support and training they need to deliver high-quality learning opportunities for all students. This includes working with child care providers, schools and teacher preparation programs to create safe, positive environments that are content rich, results-driven and culturally meaningful and relevant. We support aligning systems to increase collaboration and improve the effectiveness of everyone who works in early child development – including centers, home-based and informal child care, K-12 schools, government systems and business. We believe this is essential if all families and young children are to have access to high-quality education.

Eligibility: Non-Profit and Public Government Agencies

Award Amount: Dependent on the scope of the project

Requirements: Once we receive your completed online application, an automated response, which includes your WKKF reference number, will be sent to you acknowledging its receipt. Our goal is to review your application and email our initial response to you within 45 days. Your grant may be declined or it may be selected for further development.

States: All US States, however, priority is given to Michigan, Mississippi and New Mexico.

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<http://www.wkkf.org/grants/for-grantseekers.aspx>

Recycling for Cash

Cartridges for Kids

Description: Cartridges 4 Kids is a recognized leader in designing award-winning and unique environmentally smart fundraising programs. In 2000, they introduced the Cartridges 4 Kids Printer Cartridge and Cell-Phone Fundraising Program. This award-winning fundraising program encourages the community to recycle most cell phones, inkjet & laser cartridges, laptops, MP3s, PDAs and tablets/eReaders/notebooks through the Cartridges 4 Kids Program. This in turn helps to generate much needed funds for the benefit of Schools and Non-profit Organizations and at the same time, reduces the amount of recyclable material that enters our landfills. Participation in the C4K Program is free, and there is absolutely no selling involved. The Cartridges 4 Kids Program pays top dollar - up to \$10.00 for empty printer cartridges and up to \$25.00 for cell phones. By participating in the program, your organization can expect to earn up to \$1,500.00 in its first year alone! Once enrolled...

<http://www.cartridgesforkids.com/>

Funding Factory

Description: Earn cash & rewards with fundraising by recycling. You collect inkjet and toner cartridges, cell phones, MP3 players, digital cameras, GPS devices, headsets, and laptops for cash. We provide free UPS labels and shipping materials to make the pack-and-ship process easy. FundingFactory pays for ALL acceptable items you ship to us, regardless of condition. That's right - you'll even earn cash for your broken or off-brand cartridges! Participation is always 100% free. Core standards aligned curriculum teaches about ewaste recycling both in and out of the classroom.

Eligibility: School, church, charity, group, club, or troop

<http://www.fundingfactory.com/>

Recycling Fundraiser

Description: The EcoPhones Fund-Raising Program assists schools in raising funds from recycling cell phones. EcoPhones will pay organizations up to \$100.00 for each used digital cell phone they turn in to recycle. No buying or selling is involved. A free marketing kit is provided by EcoPhones to launch school community cell phone recycling programs. After schools have collected a box of cell phones EcoPhones will pick them up at no cost and a check will arrive within 60-days after pickup.

Eligibility: All schools

Award Amount: Up to \$350 per item

Requirements: Download and customize free promotional materials. Download and print free tax deduction receipts for your donors. Working phones are phones that include their original battery, power up, possess an undamaged LCD screen, make a test call and are not cracked or otherwise damaged. Non-working phone models that appear on the list will be credited 20% of the corresponding working phone price.

States: All

<http://www.recyclingfundraiser.com/>

Science

AEP PreK-12 Teacher Vision Grant

Description: Teachers motivate youth to learn to think creatively, to step into leadership roles and to address the challenges of the future. If adequate funding is all that stands between you and a new classroom adventure, American Electric Power's Teacher Vision Grant program may help. Any project that has an academic focus and a goal to improve student achievement will be considered. AEP has a special interest in science, mathematics, technology, electrical safety, the balanced study of energy and the environment, and energy efficiency.

Eligibility: Teachers of pre-K through Grade 12

Award Amount: \$100 to \$500

Requirements: Priority will be given to educators who:

- Have attended AEP Workshops for Educators
- Have participated in the [National Energy Education Development \(NEED\)](#) Project
- Are affiliated with an AEP school-business partnership

States: Live or teach in the [AEP service area](#) or in communities with major AEP facilities may apply.

Application Deadline: February 26

<https://www.aep.com/community/TeachersAndStudents/TeacherVisionGrants.aspx>

Applied Materials Grant

Description: Applied Materials and the Applied Materials Foundation make grants to selected organizations and programs whose goals are closely aligned with the Company's values and interest. We direct approximately 50% of grants to the area of Education, 25% to Civic Engagement, 10% to Arts & Culture, and 15% to environmental awareness and sustainability. Grants are made for one year and may be renewed for up to two additional years based upon results. Applied Materials and the Foundation do not award grants for general operating expenses. Applied Materials has a special interest in funding education grant proposals that:

- Benefit students in grades K-12
- Focus on traditional skills such as reading, writing, math, science and technology, and other subjects that prepare young people for entering the workforce
- Address critical education needs through innovative approaches to learning
- Expand existing efforts in order to reach more students or a wider geographic area
- Address community needs in North America sites where Applied Materials does business

Eligibility: Grantees must be a school or a charitable organization that is classified as 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service.

Award Amount: Requests for \$2500 or more must be submitted through our [online grant application tool](#). Requests for \$2500 or less may be submitted through our simplified [online grant application tool](#).

Requirements: Applications should be submitted through our online tool. Applicants will receive a response from Applied Materials between March 15-31 or August 15-31 depending upon when the request is received.

States: All

Application Deadlines: January 15 and June 15.

<http://www.appliedmaterials.com/company/corporate-responsibility/community>

Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation

Description: The Foundation encourages the creation and expansion of learning experiences and opportunities at the primary, secondary and higher education levels, particularly for minority and disadvantaged students. Areas of special interest to the Foundation include educational and training programs designed to improve literacy, teach basic life skills, promote good citizenship and public service, and increase reading, math and science proficiencies.

Eligibility: Potential grantees must be public charities within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). A current IRS letter determining Code Section 501(c)(3) public charity status must be attached to each grant application.

Award Amount: CICF limits grant donations to any single organization to a maximum of a three year commitment, in an effort to support as many worthy organizations as possible.

Requirements:

- To apply for a Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation ("CICF" or "Foundation") grant, a formal grant application shall be submitted to the Foundation which includes a basic description of the organization and its mission, the purpose of the grant and timetable for program implementation, the amount of funding requested, financial information including project budget and the organization's annual budget, and the expected program results. Use [Grant Application Form](#) to apply.
- Grant recipients may not use more than 10% of the grant for overhead costs or staff salaries; grants must be used for direct program cost or funding for specific programs or activities.
- Each grant recipient must submit a year end report to the Foundation summarizing the project or program results and specifying how the grant monies were applied.

States: All. Charitable requests from the communities where the industry does business are given priority consideration.

Application Opens: CICF grant applications should be submitted at the beginning of each calendar year or at the beginning of each quarter. Grant submissions will be reviewed on a quarterly basis for final selection. The full review process may take up to six months.

<http://www.cruisefoundation.org/requirements-and-guidelines.php>

Dominion K-12 Educational Partnership

Description: Educational grants from Dominion and the Dominion Foundation provide elementary and secondary educators with the tools they need to revitalize math and science programs through the study of energy and the environment.

Eligibility: Public and private elementary and secondary schools and public school divisions that are registered with the National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES)

Award Amount: In the area of k-12 education, Dominion accepts grant applications, up to \$10,000, to encourage the development of new programs to strengthen math and science education through the study of energy or the environment.

Requirements: Successful grant proposals should represent innovative and promising ideas, teach math and/or science skills, reach a significant number of students and demonstrate broad-based community support. Proposals must align with one of the following target areas:

- **Environmental Education:** projects to develop math and/or science skills through the study of the environment.
- **Energy Grants:** projects designed to increase students' awareness of energy efficiency and conservation, energy sources or other energy-related topics.

States: Eligible participants must reside in a specified geographic area in Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, West Virginia, or Wisconsin.

Application Deadline: May 15

<http://www.dom.com/about/education/grants/index.jsp>

Monsanto Farmers to Nominate School District Education Grant

Description: America's Farmers Grow Rural EducationSM (AFGRE), a Monsanto Fund program, gives farmers in 1,245 counties across 39 states the opportunity to nominate their public school district to compete for a grant of up to \$25,000. Eligible grant requests will need to focus on increasing interest or improving instruction or learning in science and/or math. School districts must be nominated by a farmer in one of the eligible counties in order to apply for the grants. Once a school district is nominated, that district will be notified and sent an invitation code to apply for a grant at www.MonsantoFund.org.

Eligibility: A list of eligible states and counties can be found at:

<http://www.americasfarmers.com/growruraleducation/rules.aspx>

Award Amount: The Monsanto Fund will award 199 grants in 39 states. \$10,000-\$25,000

Requirements: The program is open to all public school districts in the eligible counties within the designated 39 states. Charter Schools are eligible if their NCES (National Center for Education Statistics) ID is located within an eligible county.

States: 39 states <http://www.americasfarmers.com/growruraleducation/rules.aspx>

Application Deadline: April 15

<http://www.americasfarmers.com/community-outreach/grow-rural-education/>

Meemic Foundation

Description: Grants are available for a variety of programs, including: Arts, Behavior Modification, Cross-Curricular, Health/Physical Education, History, Literature, Math, Science, Social Studies, Special Needs, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and Technology.

Funding is also available for a variety of projects, including: Classroom projects, Field trips, School assemblies and Professional development for educators.

Eligibility: Public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Each grant proposal is evaluated based on the following criteria: Demonstrated need, Project potential for having a lasting impact on students, How the program relates to classroom instruction or a school or school district improvement goal, Ability to replicate the project for future use and Cost effectiveness.

States: Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.meemic.com/the-meemic-foundation.aspx>

Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

Description: Enacted by Congress in 1983, this program authorizes the President to bestow up to 108 awards each year. PAEMST winners are honored the year following the receipt of the application. Each awardee receives a citation signed by the President of the United States, a \$10,000 award from NSF, and gifts from a broad range of donors. Awardees and their guests are honored during events that take place in Washington, DC. These events include an award ceremony, celebratory receptions, professional development programs, and discussions with policy-makers on how to improve mathematics and science education.

Eligibility: Teach mathematics or science at the K-6th grade level in a public or private school.

Average amount: \$10,000.00

Requirement: Once a teacher is nominated or registers, the teacher will receive an email invitation to continue the application process. The invitation will include a user name and password for accessing the online application system.

States: Awards are given to mathematics and science teachers from each of the 50 states and four U.S. jurisdictions. The jurisdictions are Washington, D.C.; Puerto Rico; Department of Defense Schools; and the U.S. territories as a group (American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands).

Application Deadline: Fall

<http://www.paemst.org/controllers/home.cfc?method=view>

RGK Foundation

Requirements: RGK Foundation awards grants in the broad areas of Education, Community, and Medicine/Health. The Foundation's primary interests within Education include programs that focus on formal K-12 education (particularly mathematics, science and reading), teacher development, literacy, and higher education.

Eligibility: Grants are made only to nonprofit organizations certified as tax exempt under Sections 501(c)(3) or 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and are classified as "not a private foundation" under Section 509(a). Hospitals, educational institutions, and governmental institutions meeting these requirements are eligible to apply.

Award Amount: The average Foundation grant is \$25,000

Requirements: RGK Foundation no longer accepts unsolicited grant proposals. All applicants must complete an electronic Letter of Inquiry from the Web site as the first step. RGK Foundation will entertain one electronic Letter of Inquiry (LOI) per organization in a twelve-month period. Organizations that submit unsolicited proposals will receive notification directing them to submit an electronic Letter of Inquiry via the Web site.

States: All

Application Opens: There is no deadline for submitting an electronic Letter of Inquiry. Foundation staff reviews electronic Letters of Inquiry on an ongoing basis and typically responds within two days, although we ask that you allow up to two weeks for a response.

<http://www.rgkfoundation.org/public/guidelines>

Sol Hirsch Science Meteorology Grant

Description: Sol Hirsch Education Fund Grants are awarded annually to teachers/educators of grades K–12 to help improve the education of their students, school and/or community in the science of meteorology. The Grant is intended to allow teachers to:

- Purchase scientific materials and / or equipment for the classroom, school or community.
- Begin new school and / or community science outreach and education programs.
- Enhance and / or expand existing meteorology / science education programs.
- Attend accredited courses, workshops and /or conferences related to meteorology that will significantly enhance their teaching activities.

Eligibility: Teachers, program directors, school district supervisors and other individuals or groups proposing to improve the education of K–12 students in meteorology may submit an application.

Award Amount: \$750

Requirements: The application is completed online and consists of information related to the individual (s) submitting and a proposal regarding the initiative. The proposal should include a thorough description of activities, detailed costs (how the Grant money, up to \$750, will be spent), and expected outcomes of the initiative.

States: All

Application Deadline: June 1

<http://www.nwas.org/grants/solhirsch.php>

Toshiba America Grant Program for K-5 Science and Math Education

Requirements: K-5 grade teachers are invited to use Toshiba America Foundation's short application form to describe a set of lessons or a hands-on project they would like to introduce in their own classrooms. Toshiba America Foundation's mission is to provide teachers with additional funds to support classroom projects. The Foundation strongly encourages projects planned and led by individual teachers or teams of teachers for their own classrooms. Many successful grantees have designed projects that tap into the natural curiosity of their students, enable students to frame their own scientific questions, and incorporate the expertise of community partners.

Eligibility: Any K-5 teacher in a public or private (not-for-profit) school is eligible for a grant to support science or math education up to \$1,000 for project materials only.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Before submitting a completed proposal, teachers are encouraged to call the Toshiba America Foundation team to discuss their project ideas. To learn more about the application process and the Foundation's grant-making guidelines call 212-596-0620.

States: All

Application Deadline: October 1st

http://www.toshiba.com/taf/k5_apply.jsp

Toshiba America Grant Program for 6-12 Science and Math Education

Description: Wanted: Classroom Innovators! Toshiba America Foundation is currently accepting applications from teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. Do you teach 6-12 science or math? Do you have a wish list of instructional equipment that will make learning more exciting for your students? If the answer is yes to these questions, Toshiba America Foundation would like to hear from you.

Eligibility: Science and math teachers in public or private (non-profit) schools may apply for grants to support classroom science and math education. Endorsement from a school official is required.

Award Amount: Up to \$5,000

Requirements: Before submitting a completed proposal, teachers are encouraged to call the Toshiba America Foundation team to discuss their project ideas. To learn more about the application process and the Foundation's grant-making guidelines call 212-596-0620.

States: All

Application Opens: Grant requests for \$5,000 or less are accepted on a rolling basis, throughout the calendar year. Grant requests for \$5,000 or more are accepted and reviewed twice a year - August 1st and February 1st each year.

<http://www.toshiba.com/taf/612.jsp>

STEM

(Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)

AEP PreK-12 Teacher Vision Grant

Description: Teachers motivate youth to learn to think creatively, to step into leadership roles and to address the challenges of the future. If adequate funding is all that stands between you and a new classroom adventure, American Electric Power's Teacher Vision Grant program may help. Any project that has an academic focus and a goal to improve student achievement will be considered. AEP has a special interest in science, mathematics, technology, electrical safety, the balanced study of energy and the environment, and energy efficiency.

Eligibility: Teachers of pre-K through Grade 12

Award Amount: \$100 to \$500

Requirements: Priority will be given to educators who:

- Have attended AEP Workshops for Educators
- Have participated in the [National Energy Education Development \(NEED\) Project](#)
- Are affiliated with an AEP school-business partnership

States: Live or teach in the [AEP service area](#) or in communities with major AEP facilities may apply.

Application Deadline: February 26

<https://www.aep.com/community/TeachersAndStudents/TeacherVisionGrants.aspx>

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Foundation Classroom Grant

Description: Are you a K-12 teacher who develops or applies Science, Math and Technology in your curriculum? If the answer is 'yes', you may qualify for a grant to supplement your learning program. AIAA advances the state of aerospace, engineering and technical leadership. To be successful in obtaining a grant, we will be looking for:

- Grants that tie to the AIAA missions and
- Grants that tie to national or local standards
- Grants that detail a lesson plan
- Grants that impact at least 25 students or more

Eligibility: K-12 Teachers

Award Amount: \$250.00

Requirements: Each school is limited to 2 grants per calendar year. Join AIAA as an educator association. You will receive a confirmation email with your member ID, which you need to submit the grant.

States: All

Application Opens: November

Website: <http://www.aiaa.org/Secondary.aspx?id=4184>

Applied Materials Grant

Description: Applied Materials and the Applied Materials Foundation make grants to selected organizations and programs whose goals are closely aligned with the Company's values and interest. We direct approximately 50% of grants to the area of Education, 25% to Civic Engagement, 10% to Arts & Culture, and 15% to environmental awareness and sustainability. Grants are made for one year and may be renewed for up to two additional years based upon results. Applied Materials and the Foundation do not award grants for general operating expenses. Applied Materials has a special interest in funding education grant proposals that:

- Benefit students in grades K-12
- Focus on traditional skills such as reading, writing, math, science and technology, and other subjects that prepare young people for entering the workforce
- Address critical education needs through innovative approaches to learning
- Expand existing efforts in order to reach more students or a wider geographic area
- Actively partner with other nonprofit groups to create, implement or evaluate shared programs
- Offer opportunities for employee engagement
- Address community needs in North America sites where Applied Materials does business

Eligibility: Grantees must be a school or a charitable organization that is classified as 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service.

Award Amount: Requests for \$2500 or more must be submitted through our [online grant application tool](#). Requests for \$2500 or less may be submitted through our simplified [online grant application tool](#).

Requirements: Applications should be submitted through our online tool. Applicants will receive a response from Applied Materials between March 15-31 or August 15-31 depending upon when the request is received.

States: All

Application Deadlines: January 15 and June 15.

<http://www.appliedmaterials.com/company/corporate-responsibility/community>

From Failure to Promise

Description: In "From Failure to Promise," author Dr. Cleamon Moorer describes his experiences, from flunking out of college to becoming an engineer, consultant, and a university professor. He is now awarding \$1,000 to a community-based organization, library, or school that uses the tenets of his book to motivate, energize, and catapult K-12 students to reach their full potential in literacy, math, science, or technology.

Eligibility: K-12 Teachers, Libraries and Youth Group Leaders

Award Amount: \$1,000

Requirements: Teachers are not required to purchase a book. In most circumstances, a review copy will be provided upon request.

States: All

Application Deadline: July 31

<http://www.fromfailuretopromise.com/K-12--Educator-s-Literacy-Grant.html>

GenCorp Foundation

Description: The GenCorp Foundation's highest giving priority is education, particularly programs designed for K-12 students, including those that emphasize science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Eligibility: 501(c)(3) U.S.-based nonprofit organizations located in the communities where Aerojet and GenCorp have a business presence.

Award Amount: Depends on the project

Requirements: We request a letter of inquiry prior to inviting an organization to submit for formal proposal. A letter of inquiry should be sent to:

Juanita Garcia
Director, GenCorp Foundation
P.O. Box 15619
Sacramento, CA 95852-0619
10951 White Rock Road
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6029
Office: (916) 355-3600 Fax: (916) 355-2515
juanita.garcia@gencorp.com
www.gencorp.com

States: Huntsville, AL; Camden, AR; Sacramento, CA; Washington DC; Socorro, NM; Jonesborough, TN; Clearfield, UT; Gainesville, VA; Orange, VA; Redmond, WA.

Application Deadline: June 1 and September 1

<http://www.aerocketdyne.com/foundation>

International Technology and Engineering Educators Association Grant

Description: Sponsored by ITEEA and NASSP, the Program Excellence Award is one of the highest honors given to Technology and Engineering Education classroom teachers on the elementary, middle, or high school levels. It is presented in recognition of outstanding contributions to the profession. The Program Excellence Award provides public recognition at local through international levels. On the province or state level, recognition is granted at the affiliated association's annual meeting. The honoree is formally presented with an engraved plaque and other recognition at ITEEA's Annual Conference.

Eligibility: Candidates for the Program Excellence Award must be characterized as providing technology and engineering education instruction of high quality, learner centered, and relevant to a study of technological literacy.

Award Amount: \$2,000

Requirements: This application information is to be completed and forwarded to the affiliate association's Affiliate Representative, Awards Coordinator, or Designated Official. To find the name and contact information of your affiliate representative, click here - [ITEEA Affiliate Representatives](#).

States: All

Application Deadline: December 1

<http://www.iteea.org/Awards/awards.htm>

Meemic Foundation

Description: Grants are available for a variety of programs, including: Arts, Behavior Modification, Cross-Curricular, Health/Physical Education, History, Literature, Math, Science, Social Studies, Special Needs, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) and Technology.

Funding is also available for a variety of projects, including: Classroom projects, Field trips, School assemblies and Professional development for educators.

Eligibility: Public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities.

Award Amount: Up to \$1,000

Requirements: Each grant proposal is evaluated based on the following criteria: Demonstrated need, Project potential for having a lasting impact on students, How the program relates to classroom instruction or a school or school district improvement goal, Ability to replicate the project for future use and Cost effectiveness.

States: Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin

Application Deadline: Ongoing

<https://www.meemic.com/the-meemic-foundation.aspx>

National Education Foundation STEM Program

Description: Our innovative ADOPT-A-SCHOOL PROGRAM provides you a world-class STEM+ academy at NO COST to you! Your students can go up a grade level in math or reading in 20-30 learning hours at no cost to you! You will meet AYP, National Core Curriculum and Your State Standards! You will prepare your students better for college and 21st century workforce!

Eligibility: Any school /school district with 35% or more students on F/R lunch

Award Amount: 100 applicants on a first-come, first-served basis; at least one award/state Requirements:

- You get local corporations/organizations/chambers of commerce/community foundations /benefactors/others to adopt one or more schools at a cost of \$190 per employee per year.
- In exchange, we (NEF) set up a VIRTUAL ADULT ED ACADEMY in your school district to provide the employees of the entities training valued at \$1,000 per employee (top-quality Web-based courses + online 24/7 live tutoring) in 5,500 IT and Business courses provided to you by us. These courses include 60 IT and Business certifications from the very basic Microsoft Office to the very advanced Internet Security and Project Management. The employees will also receive course completion certificates from SUNY (State University of NY) at NO COST.
- Then, we will set up a world-class STEM+ ACADEMY (STEM plus ELA, Social Studies, SAT/ACT, IT and Business) for your students at NO COST to you.
- We also set up a PARENT ACADEMY in IT and Business at NO COST to you. NEF is doing so, since NEF believes that active parent involvement is crucial for student success.
- In addition, we set up a Professional Development Academy for TEACHERS at NO COST to you.
- We provide top-rated (by the US Education Dept.) interactive, individualized online COURSES including the Pearson SuccessMaker (K-8) and NovaNET (9-12) at NO COST to you. Our courses are fully mapped to the National Core Curriculum and your state standards.
- We send a team from SUNY (State University of NY) to set up a STEM+ TOTAL SYSTEM SOLUTION program consisting of ISL-MM-TT services: Individualized learning, Stipends for the academy director and teachers, Learning Management system, Mentoring, Motivational rewards such as iPods for students, awards for teachers and free training for parents, Teacher training and Tech support (24/7). We provide you funds to implement these services at NO COST to you.

States: All

Application: Deadline: First come/ first serviced basis, one award per state

<http://www.cyberlearning.org/grants-funding/adopt-a-school-grant/>

Technology for Teaching

Corning Foundation

Description: Corning's areas of involvement have included community service programs for students, curriculum enrichment, student scholarships, facility improvement and instructional technology projects for the classroom.

Eligibility: Selected public K-12 school districts, community colleges and four-year institutions of higher learning

Award Amount: Dependent on the scope of the project

Requirements: All requests to the Foundation for support must be made in writing. Grant seekers are advised to submit a two-to-three page letter of inquiry, signed by the senior administrative officer of the organization.

States: All

Application Opens: Ongoing

http://www.corning.com/inside_corning/our_commitment/community_foundation.aspx

Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants

Description: The Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries and non-profit organizations to help with the implementation or expansion of literacy programs for students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. Grant funding is provided to assist in the following areas:

- Implementing new or expanding existing literacy programs
- Purchasing new technology or equipment to support literacy initiatives
- Purchasing books, materials or software for literacy programs

There is a preference for literacy programs that target K-12th grade students who are:

- below grade level readers;
- readers with learning disabilities;
- English Language Learners; or
- students with Individualized Education Plans (IEP)

Requirements: The organization must be within 20 miles of a Dollar General store.

States: Dollar General does not have a presence in WY, ID, OR, WA, MT, ND, HI, AK, ME and RI.

Eligibility: Non-profit organizations

Award Amount: Maximum is \$4,000

Application Deadline: May 22

http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/Pages/youth_grants.aspx

IRA Award for Technology and Reading

Description: The IRA Award for Technology and Reading honors educators in grades K–12 who are making an outstanding and innovative contribution to the use of technology in reading education.

Eligibility: Educators who work in public, parochial, or private elementary or secondary schools are eligible for the regional awards. *All entries are eligible for the grand prize.*

Award Amount: There will be one grand-prize winner, seven U.S. regional winners, one Canadian, and one international winner.

Requirements: The program being described must be complete as of the date of the application. No programs planned for future implementation will be accepted. Entries incorporating any brand of computers, operating systems, software applications, and other technologies such as TV or video are acceptable.

States: United States, Canada, or other countries (includes U.S. Territories and APO schools)

Application deadline: November 15

<http://fs6.formsite.com/intntlreading/form46/index.html>

Reading is the Way Up Literacy Grant

Description: In 2004, City National Bank established the Reading is the Way Up® Fund, a component fund of the California Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public charity, which administers the grants for City National Bank's Literacy Grants Program. The purpose of the fund is to provide charitable gifts to enhance school libraries and fund literacy projects in the communities we serve. Funds are to be used to enhance the curriculum and actively engage students in meaningful learning experiences. Grants may be used to purchase books, videos, CDs, DVDs, computer software and hardware, and any other educational resources to be owned or used.

Eligibility: Teachers, librarians, school media specialists, and administrators may apply if they work fulltime at K-12 schools.

Award Amount: \$500

Requirements: The school principal or administrator must understand and fully support the project, as evidenced by signing the statement of support on the application form and final grant agreement.

States: Select cities and counties in California, Nevada, New York, Tennessee and Georgia. To see a complete list, go to <http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>.

Application Opens: October - December

<http://www.readingisthewayup.org/requirements.php>

Turning Technology Grant

Description: Turning Technologies has established the Turning Foundation, to help focus company philanthropy in the local community and also help schools around the country to find and secure resources in support of school improvement efforts using technology. In these difficult times when there are more priorities than resources to go around, the Turning Foundation is here to help you develop funding plans in support of student achievement goals. Services that can be provided:

- Facilitate the development of a school improvement vision and plan
- Facilitate the development of a funding plan to support school improvement
- Identify potential resources to support your school improvement plan - match your needs with potential funders, including foundations and corporations
- Facilitate conversations among funders, "bundling" multiple resources to support the cost of your overall plan
- Help with the application process, if seeking external funding sources
 - Provide specific research and language to support your application
 - Review and provide feedback to applications prior to submission
- Help with implementation, start up, evaluation and grant reporting as needed

<http://www.turningtechnologies.com/turning-foundation>