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Grant Alert

Grant Opportunity Newsletter

December, 2017



This Holiday Grant Newsletter contains grant opportunities for the months of January through April, 2018 as well as ongoing grant opportunities.

Be sure to read over the grant tips page at the end of the newsletter to help assist you with your grant writing.

I hope everyone has a Very Merry Christmas!

*Sandy Morgan,
Grant Liaison*

Please be sure complete the Grant Received Form for all grant funding. This can be found on the LPSB website under the LPPS Grant Writing Link.

This will help to ensure you receive your funding.

"Although I was nervous about writing my first grant, most grant sites will guide you through the process. Even if you are not a confident writer, it's worth a shot. I didn't get my first grant, but I got my next four!"

Amanda Jones, Librarian
Live Oak Middle

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING FUNDED TEACHER GRANTS!

JEURI SILK, Librarian, Live Oak Jr. High
\$1,000 Walmart Grant

CASEY MOSKAU, Teacher, Doyle High School
\$3,500 Deborah Rochelle Grant

AMANDA JONES, Librarian, Live Oak Middle
\$2,500 Walmart Grant
\$1,000 Walmart Grant
\$500 Exxon Grant
\$1,000 Exxon Grant
\$1,000 Exxon Grant
\$100 Pets in the Classroom

KATHRYN GLYNN, Counselor, Denham Springs Elem.
\$1000 Entergy Grant

Gwendolyn Allen, Teacher, South Walker Elem.
\$100 Pets in the Classroom

Kristen Wesson, Teacher, Live Oak Middle
\$500 Exxon Grant

January Grant Opportunities

The International Literacy Association (ILA) Regie Routman Teacher Recognition Grant is a US \$2,500 annual grant that honors an outstanding K–8 classroom teacher dedicated to improving and enriching the teaching and learning of purposeful reading and writing across the curriculum. At least 60 percent of the school's students must qualify for free or reduced lunch. The grant may not be used for purchase of commercial programs or technology hardware. Deadline: Jan 15
<https://www.literacyworldwide.org/about-us/awards-grants/ila-regie-routman-teacher-recognition-grant>

AIAA Foundation Classroom Grants

The AIAA believes that one of the most significant means to inspire and advance the future of Aerospace is to fund \$250 grants to meet the unmet and unfunded educational need of students. This program promotes aerospace education activities in classrooms from kindergarten through twelfth grades. The program encourages development of innovative aerospace activities within the prescribed curriculum. Cycle 2 is open. Deadline: Jan 5
<https://www.aiaa.org/Secondary.aspx?id=4184>

AASL Innovative Reading Grant

The \$2,500 grant supports the planning and implementation of a unique and innovative program for children which motivates and encourages reading, especially with struggling readers. <http://www.ala.org/aasl/awards/innovative>
Deadline: February 1

February Grant Opportunities

DirectTV Teacher Grants

How would you use \$1,000 to implement technology to enhance your teaching methods and address learning challenges? Would you invest in a new computer or mobile devices for your students to use in the classroom? Or perhaps make use of software that streamlines your curriculum and lightens the load of grading papers? Entry form:
<http://www.directpackages.com/teachers-grant/> Official Rules and Guidelines: <http://www.directpackages.com/teachers-grant/grantguidelines.html> Deadline February 24, 11:59 EST

Walmart and Sam's Club Community Grant

Community Grants range from a minimum of **\$250** to the maximum grant of **\$2,500**. Organizations must submit an online application to be considered for funding. The 2017 grant cycle begins **Feb. 1, 2018** and the application deadline is **Dec. 31, 2018**. Applications may be submitted at any time during this funding.
<http://giving.walmart.com/walmart-foundation/community-grant-program>

March Grant Opportunities

Association of American Educators Teacher scholarships and classroom grants are competitive awards available to all educators. Apply online or by mail to receive up to \$500 for professional development or classroom materials. Classroom Grant Application: <https://www.aateachers.org/index.php/classroom-grantapplication> Teacher Scholarship Application: <https://www.aateachers.org/index.php/teacherscholarship-application>

Deadline: March 1

National PTA Mary Lou Anderson Reflections Arts Enhancement Grant provides up to \$1,000 in matching funds to support local PTA arts projects within their school community. Funded projects will increase access to learning opportunities in the literary, media, visual and/or performing arts for at-risk or underserved audiences. Arts projects must actively engage families and community partners to strengthen family-school partnerships.

<http://www.pta.org/programs/content.cfm?ItemNumber=3101> Deadline: March 17

Snapdragon Book Foundation Grant

<http://snapdragonbookfoundation.org/application/> Deadline: April 1

April Grant Opportunities

Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants

Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help 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, and Purchasing books, materials or software for literacy programs.

<https://newscenter.dollargeneral.com/our-story/blog-posts/dollar-general-literacy-foundation-grant-applications-now-open.htm> Deadline to apply: May 18, 2017 (11:00 p.m. CST)

ING Unsung Heroes Award

Grants are given to K-12 educators utilizing new teaching methods and techniques that improve learning. Educators submit applications describing projects they have initiated or would like to pursue. Each year, 100 educators are selected to receive \$2,000 to help fund their innovative class projects. Deadline: April 30

<https://www.scholarsapply.org/unsungheroes/>

Speed Stacks Sports Grant Program

Speed Stacks will be awarding on 30 set Sport Pack per month to deserving grant applicants. Applications must be submitted by the 15th of each month and winners will be notified the first of the following month. Award: Equipment Grant. Deadline: June

<http://www.speedstacks.com/instructors/grant-program/>

Ongoing Grant Opportunities

Guitar Center Corporate Giving

Funding is for music education programs, and must be submitted by a music educator.

<http://www.guitarcenter.com/pages/corporate-giving>

The Lovett Foundation

The Charlie Lovett Fund for Elementary Drama is a philanthropic fund that supports production based theatre arts programs at the elementary school level. Grants are made on a rolling basis, beginning in August of each school year, and we make every effort to make a decision on applications as quickly as possible. Average grant size is \$300

<http://lovettfoundation.org/>

Entergy Micro Grants

Through Entergy's Micro Grants Program, we accept requests for up to \$1,000 in all program areas: arts and culture; community improvement/enrichment; economic development, education/literacy, environment and healthy families. Applications may be submitted at any time.

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

Scholastic Book Grant

<http://www.scholastic.com/aboutscholastic/files/2010BookGrantsApplication.pdf>

ExxonMobil Volunteer Match Program

<http://forms.matchinggifts.com/ExxonVolunteerProgram.pdf>

Civil War Trust Field Trip Fund

The Civil War Trust strongly believes that battlefields are outdoor classrooms. Apply for funding by filling out a Field Trip Fund Application Form prior to your field trip. You can apply throughout the school year and summer. However, you must apply for field trip funding at least one month prior to your trip.

<https://www.civilwar.org/learn/educators/resources/field-trip-fund>

GRANT TIPS

1. Grant Project

Identify your need and create a project or program to address that need.

2. Identify Potential Funding Sources

Utilize the Grant Alert Newsletter for available funding opportunities.

3. Need Statement

Be creative when you write your Need Statement. Build your case with data.

(Delineate the problem or issue within the community to be addressed, provide data to substantiate the need and a human interest story or example to make it personal.)

4. Goals and Objectives

Generally, one section of the application requests information about what you will accomplish and the steps to do so.

- Goals can be broad, used to define the overall purpose of the program.
- Objectives can be the measurable changes expected as a result of the program. Make the objectives specific: who will benefit from the program, how many and in what time frame.
- If there are several goals, relate objectives to the appropriate goal.

5. Evaluation

How will you measure your success?

Describe plans to assess the program and measure impact.

- Measurement tools may be data collection, client satisfaction surveys, or other tools. Include what is being measured and how often each tool is used.
- With ongoing measurement and periodic evaluation, adjustments and changes can be made to the program to improve the results.
- Measurement and evaluation should relate to the objectives of the program plan and funding request.

6. Budget

Do not include non-allowable expenses. Common exclusions are salaries, food, etc.) All expenses must be reasonable and project specific. NEVER include a miscellaneous category.