

SPEF's Mission:

To provide innovative and creative programs, equipment and opportunities that otherwise would not be available to the students of Stillwater Public Schools.

Teacher Grant Funding Guidelines 2020-21

Application Information:

Two application periods – submit before 5:00 p.m. on either of the following deadlines:

♦ Thursday, October 8, 2020 (small grant only)

♦ Thursday, February 11, 2021 (large grant only)

- "Small" grant requests amount per proposal is up to \$750
- "Large" grant requests amount per proposal is \$751-\$4,000
- Applications are only accepted from Stillwater Public Schools employees. For an outside individual or group to receive consideration, it must be a collaborative project benefiting our district's students and co-authored & submitted by an SPS teacher, principal or administrator.
- Applicants may receive only one teacher grant award per school year, includes co-authors.
- Site principal review and approval is required for all grant applications prior to submission.
- Applications for both small and large grants must be submitted via the Google form hyperlinks below:

SMALL grants (up to \$750)

LARGE grants (\$751-\$4,000)

What we are likely to fund:

- Innovative projects/materials/equipment that align with the district's overall curriculum and approach to learning, including instructional technology tools
- Creative ideas that engage students in the learning process
- Projects that encourage collaboration among multiple SPS sites, across multiple grades or subjects within a school site, among multiple classrooms within a department, etc.
- Professional development / staff development programming (with matching district or site funds and approval)
- Subscriptions for instructional materials (with matching district or site funds and approval)
- Technology detailing a clear & specific instructional plan/purpose (with district IT approval)

*If any District Approval or Matching Funds are required for your grant, the proposal must be reviewed & approved PRIOR to application submission. You will be asked to check "Yes" confirming approval and could be asked to provide documentation at a later date. If documentation cannot be provided upon request, the proposal will not be considered or funded. If any SPEF funds have already been disbursed and documentation of review & approval prior to submission cannot be provided, the grant writer will reimburse SPEF for any and all expenses related to their grant.

What we are unlikely to fund:

- Large scale equipment and furnishings (e.g., playground equipment, classroom furnishings, etc.)
- Desktop/laptop computers, printers and other standard office equipment
- Consumable items
- Financial compensation
- Student field trips
- Requests solely from individuals / groups outside of SPS
- General operating fund requests

For questions, please contact:

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