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##### SPEF’s Mission:

##### *Building strong community connections and support for Stillwater Public Schools*

**Teacher Grant Funding Guidelines 2023-24**

**Grant Cycles – Small Grants (up to $750) and Large Grants ($751-$4,000)**

Thursday, October 20, 2023

Thursday, February 21, 2024

**Application Information:**

* Small grant requests are funded up to $750
* Large grant requests are funded between $751-$4,000
* Both Small and Large grants requests are accepted during both application periods
* 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 and submitted by an SPS teacher, principal or administrator.
* Applicants may receive only one teacher grant award for their classroom per school year.
* 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](https://docs.google.com/a/stillwaterschools.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScuGqDGDtY05UMBSwl9ZcgJxmf6equgb6j-mwOtAn8V893FhQ/viewform) [Large Grants](https://docs.google.com/a/stillwaterschools.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScJ7-GDueWcCGqyHBz85QJ4ZNCbaA5rh4tKYtsdo6tTxXWFWA/viewform)

**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
* Financial compensation
* Student field trips
* Requests solely from individuals / groups outside of SPS
* General operating fund requests

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