



# Miami-Dade County School Board Awarded \$19.75M for Clean School Buses

n January 2024, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) informed Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) that it had been recommended for a \$19.7 million grant through the EPA's Clean School Bus Program. This was the largest award of the Clean School Bus Program given to a school district in the state of Florida.

This federal award enables the M-DCPS School Board to elevate its existing Clean School Bus Program. Building upon the District's previous commitment of 50 electric buses, this award targets the acquisition of 50 additional electric buses, for a total of 100 electric buses. Funding is not limited to the buses alone, the award also supports procurement of additional charging infrastructure, which is vital to any electric bus project. This initiative is aligned with the District's Strategic Plan to establish and implement sustainability practices and underscores the District's commitment to fostering a healthier and more sustainable educational environment for the students of Miami-Dade County.

To continue advancing the District's sustainability, the Foundation for New Education Initiatives (FNEI) has established a green fund to support M-DCPS. Inspired by a mission to conserve resources and take care of the natural environment that surrounds us, the Green Fund will help district schools achieve this mission by working with community sponsors to gather the necessary resources to pursue sustainability initiatives in schools. The link can be accessed here: https://www.giveourstudentstheworld.org/the-green-fund-fnei

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#### **Important**

The Office of Grants Administration assists District, Region, and school-site personnel in securing and managing external funding designed to enhance the educational experiences of students.

If your school or department has been awarded a grant, please send detailed information and photos to Alissa Alfaya at 341087@dadeschools.net.

**Your** grant may be featured in our next newsletter.



# MARCH IS DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

# **Grant Opportunities**

#### March 2024

# Clif Family Foundation Operational Support Grants

The purpose of this program is to support daily operating costs and specific projects that address two or more funding priorities at the same time (strengthen our food system, enhance equitable community health outcomes, and safeguard our environment and natural resources); demonstrate strong community ties; and operate within viable and clearly defined plans for positive change. Eligibility is limited to 501(c)3 nonprofits registered in the US yearround.

Award: Varies

Deadline: March 1, 2024

Website: https://cliffamilyfoundation.org/grants-

program

# Association of American Educators Foundation Classroom Grant

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.

Award: Up to \$500

**Deadline:** March 1 and October 1 of each year **Website:** <a href="https://www.aaeteachers.org/index.php/">https://www.aaeteachers.org/index.php/</a>

classroom-grant-application

# Whole Kids Foundation invites applications for Garden Grant program

At Whole Kids, we know that the more kids know and feel connected to their food, the more curious they become about how things grow or taste, and the more willing they are to try new foods. This is why we believe in edible garden learning spaces! Our Garden Grant program provides a \$3,000 monetary grant to support a new or existing edible educational garden located at either a:

K–12 School

• Non-profit organization (501(c)(3) in the US/Registered Charity in Canada) that serves children in the K-12 grade range

Award: \$3,000

Deadline: March 1, 2024

Website: https://www.wholekidsfoundation.org/

programs/school-gardens-grant/





# The National Anti-Vivisection Society (NAVS) BioLEAP Classroom Grant

The purpose of this program is to support educators who want to implement humane education tools into their curriculum. The National Anti-Vivisection Society (NAVS) is especially interested in supporting teachers who want to replace traditional animal dissection with non-animal alternatives.

Award: \$1,000

Deadline: March 1, 2024

Website: <a href="https://bioleap.org/classroomgrant">https://bioleap.org/classroomgrant</a>

#### **Riley's Way Foundation**

The Riley's Way Foundation's Call for Kindness empowers young leaders throughout the U.S. to use kindness and empathy to create meaningful connections and positive change. In 2023, Riley's Way will award as many as 36 youth-led projects rooted in the values of kindness, empathy, youth leadership, and inclusive community that tackle anything from equity and social justice issues to building meaningful connections in a school or community. At least ten of the selected projects will be specifically focused on environmental justice.

Winners will also participate in a leadership development fellowship. Youth ages 13 to 22 that are living in the United States are eligible to apply.

Award: up to \$5,000 Deadline: March 25, 2024

Website: <a href="https://www.rileysway.org/call-for-kind-">https://www.rileysway.org/call-for-kind-</a>

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#### **Classics For Kids Foundation**

If your school believes in the role of fine instruments in your program, and can show evidence of need and commitment to raising matching funds, and can show evidence of need and commitment to raising matching funds, you are a strong candidate for the Classics for Kids matching grant program.

**Award:** \$1,000 - \$2,000 (matching funds)

Deadline: March 31, 2024

Website: https://classicsforkids.org/apply-for-a-

grant/

# The National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP)

The National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) is an in-school program aimed at improving educational performance among students in grades 4th – 12th. Through NASP students are learning focus, self-control, discipline, patience, and the life lessons required to be successful in the classroom and in life. Students involved in NASP reported feeling 58% more connected in school and improved academically by 40%! 424 Florida schools have already enrolled!

NASP is now offering new grant opportunities for Dade County Schools. All newly enrolled schools are eligible for a \$1,500 equipment grant, that goes towards your \$3,300 start-up kit. If you already have a NASP program at your school \$400 will be allocated on purchases over \$800, or 50% off orders under \$800 until March 31, 2024.

Award: Equipment Grant Deadline: March 31, 2024

**Contact:** Send your school's information (school name, contact, phone number, email, address, ORG

ID, and indicate new or existing school) to

Grayson.Giles@MYFWC.com.

(Agency will work with each school to train their physical education staff how to safely set up the range, teach the program, maintain the equipment, and place their equipment order.)



#### **April 2024**

#### **Karma for Cara Foundation**

The foundation invites applications for its microgrant program to students 18 years of age and under to complete projects that benefit their communities. The micro-grants intend to serve as a bridge between ideas and action, helping young citizen leaders execute and magnify their initiatives to help repair the world. Examples of eligible projects include transforming a vacant lot into a community garden, rebuilding a school playground, or assisting senior citizens in readying their homes for winter. To be eligible, students must be 18 years of age or younger.

Award: \$1,000

**Deadline:** Reviewed quarterly following these deadlines: April 1st, July 1st, and October 1st at 11:59 EST **Website:** https://karmaforcara.org/microgrant-appli-

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#### **Community Project Grants**

Community Project Grants support an array of public humanities programs and resources that encourage community engagement in the humanities. The "humanities" can be defined as the study of human culture through various academic disciplines. These disciplines include, but are not limited to: literature, history, philosophy, art history, musicology, anthropology, ethics, film studies, and cultural studies. Humanities projects bridge the gap between these academic disciplines and the public through the delivery of programming that contributes to the cultural enrichment of communities.

Examples of funded projects include: community conversations, interpretive exhibits (permanent or traveling, physical or digital), lecture series, community-wide reads, film and discussion programs, oral history and story collection projects, interpretive tours, and other types of site- or place-based humanities programming. Media projects such as radio and television productions as well as podcasts and other digital formats with humanities focused content may also be considered.

Award: Up to \$10,000 Deadline: April 3, 2024

Website: https://floridahumanities.org/funding-op-

portunities/community-project-grants/

#### **Learning for Justice Educator Fund**

The Learning for Justice Educator Fund, a program of the Southern Poverty Law Center, supports educators who embrace and embed social justice, anti-bias, and anti-racist principles throughout their classrooms and schools. Educators across the U.S. may apply, with priority given to proposals in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, and Mississippi. All projects must incorporate at least one Learning for Justice resource, framework, or publication and must also address one or more of the following key outcomes: restorative discipline, youth civic engagement, and dismantling oppres sive narratives. Classroom level grants ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 are available to individual educators or small peer groups, while school level and district level grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$25,000 are provided to

educator networks and school or district leadership

teams.

**Award:** \$500 - \$2,500 (Classroom Level); \$2,500 - \$25,000 (Educator networks, school/district leadership)

Deadline: April 12, 2024

Website: https://www.learningforjustice.org/educa-

tor-fund

#### **Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes**

Awards will be given to those who have demonstrated positive spirit, courage, intelligence, generosity, and high moral purpose, shown initiative, tenacity, and unselfishness in pursuit of their goals, accomplished something with inspirational value, something that could inspire others to make a difference, or do more than survive a difficult personal challenge.

Applicants must have organized and led an extraordinary service activity that has benefited others or the planet we share. The service activity must have been initiated and motivated primarily by the winner and cannot have been done solely to complete an assignment for school or work.

Award: Up to \$10,000; Awards package Deadline: April 15, 2024 5:00 PM MT Website: <a href="https://barronprize.org/apply/">https://barronprize.org/apply/</a>

### McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation

The McCarthey 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 \$20,000 over two years, provided the eligibility requirements continue to be met.

Deadline: April 15th, 2024

**Website:** https://mccartheydressman. org/teacher-development-grants/?utm\_

source=ActiveCampaign&utm

medium=email&utm\_content=Grants+for+Educator

s&utm\_campaign=Grant+Funding

#### **National Endowment for the Arts**

The program is rooted in principles that include, but are not limited to, our recognition that: • Some groups/communities and some geographic areas with rich cultural identities have limited grant funding opportunities, and/or have been historically underserved by national arts funding; • Some small organizations may face barriers to accessing grant funding; and • Some applicants to the NEA may benefit from enhanced technical assistance resources. Challenge America seeks to address these potential barriers for organizations seeking funding.

**Award:** Up to \$10,000 **Deadline:** April 25, 2024

Website: https://www.grants.gov/search-results-

detail/351339

#### May 2024

#### Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award

The intent of the award is to recognize humanities programs that expand student horizons beyond "basic education." A humanities program can be focused on many subject areas, including but not limited to social studies, poetry, drama, art, music, language arts, foreign languages and culture. Programs should focus on broadening perspectives and helping students understand the wider world and their place in it. The humanities program should be initiated and coordinated by the school librarian and exemplify the role of library programming in advancing the overall education goals of the school.

School librarians are invited to apply for a \$5,000 award recognizing outstanding humanities programming in kindergarten through twelfth grade. Previously for school libraries serving grades K-8, this year's Jaffarian Award is the first to include eligibility for school libraries also serving grades 9-12.

Award: \$5,000

Deadline: May 1, 2024

Website: <a href="https://programminglibrarian.org/articles/apply-now-sara-jaffarian-school-library-program-">https://programminglibrarian.org/articles/apply-now-sara-jaffarian-school-library-program-</a>

<u>award</u>

# The Education Fund 2024-25 Innovator Grant

The Education Fund is now accepting applications for Innovator Grants for the 2024-25 school year. These grants provide funds to teachers to develop and implement creative, hands-on learning projects that motivate and challenge students. The Education Fund offers Zoom consultations to assist with applications. Grants range from \$300 - \$1,000.

**Award:** Up to \$1,000 **Deadline:** May 2, 2024

Website: https://form.jotform.

com/230455645613051



# Opportunity





# Rolling Opportunities

#### \*NEW\* Florida Bicycle Association -**School Grants for Safer Students**

The grant reimburses schools up to \$500 for their staff time to assign and use the free, online Florida Bicycle Safety Quiz. School leaders and teachers can apply for the funding via a simple form at the link below. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. As funds are limited and expected to run out quickly, schools are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

Award: up to \$500

Deadline: Until funds run out

Website: https://floridabicycle.org/safestudents

#### **Kars4Kids Small Grant Program**

The Kars4Kids Small Grant Program is dedicated to supporting educational initiatives around the country, helping us impact more children. The Kars4Kids Small Grant Program provides support, typically ranging from \$500 to \$2,000, to nonprofit organizations throughout the U.S. with a focus on doing work on behalf of children. Areas of interest include education, youth development, and mentorship. Applications may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Kars4Kids website to submit an application online.

Award: \$500 - \$2,000 **Deadline:** Rolling

Website: https://www.kars4kidsgrants.org

#### **Staples Donations**

Staples stores support non-profit organizations through We Care gift cards and in-kind product donations. These donations allow organizations to get the supplies they Award: Gift cards; In-kind product donations need from Staples to help make a community event or program a success. All requests are evaluated by the local store and decisions are made at the discretion of store management. Request more information from your local store manager.

**Deadline:** Rolling

Website: https://www.staples.com/sbd/cre/marketing/

about us/how-we-give.html

#### **Reiman Foundation**

The Reiman Foundation focuses its giving in four main areas: health care, education, the arts and children. Applications are not in any specific format. Information submitted must be specific enough to give us a cleat picture of the intended project, why the project is being proposed and who will benefit and how it will be administered.

Award: Unspecified amount

**Deadline:** Rolling

Website: <a href="http://www.reimanfoundation.org/">http://www.reimanfoundation.org/</a>

#### Alternative Fuel Foundation

Funds are available for educational institutions to aid in the development of programs that promote renewable energy, environmental sustainability, and earth stewardship.

Award: Up to \$1,000 **Deadline:** Rolling

Website: <a href="https://www.alternativefuelfoundation.org/">https://www.alternativefuelfoundation.org/</a>

#### **Fiddler on the Roof Grants**

Fiddler on the Roof Grants support middle school and high school productions of the musical Fiddler on the Roof. Grants cover performance royalties and support resources for performing this classic production.

Grants are intended to help educate students and communities about Jewish heritage and culture. Eligible applicants are any middle school or high school with an active Thespian troupe. Priority is given to Title I schools or schools with a high percentage of students receiving free or reduced-price lunch in urban and rural locations.

**Award(s):** Grants up to \$1,500 for royalties and \$1,000 for MTI production resources are awarded.

**Deadline:** Rolling

Website: https://foundation.schooltheatre.org/

grants/

#### **Fruit Tree Orchard Donation Grant**

Fruit tree donations are provided for the purpose of benefiting people and the environment and, in the case of schools, for educating on the importance of trees for the environment and fruit in the diet. FTPF seeks schools that can accommodate at least 20 to 25 trees on school grounds (planted at 15-foot intervals) near existing irrigation sources (e.g., spigot or sprinklers). Eligible applicants must own the planting site or have long-term arrangements to remain at the planting site, be committed to caring for the trees in perpetuity, and coordinate local volunteers to help with the tree planting. Recipients must agree that the orchard will not be used for any for-profit enterprise.

Award: High-quality fruit trees and shrubs, equipment, on-site orchard design expertise and oversight, horticultural workshops, and aftercare training and manuals

**Deadline:** Rolling

Website: <a href="https://www.ftpf.org/apply">https://www.ftpf.org/apply</a>

#### Glenn W. Bailey Foundation Grants

The foundation invites letters of inquiry for innovative early childhood STEM education programs in Florida. The foundation aims to fund projects and programs that give students and educators more resources for developing and participating in STEM-based, hands-on learning. Any program or idea sup

porting students in Pre-K through 12th grade and into college or vocational studies is eligible.

Award: \$20,000- \$35,000

Deadline: None; Letter of Intent accepted on a roll-

ing basis

Website: https://www.gwbaileyfoundation.org/faqs

#### **Salad Bars to Schools**

Any district or independent school participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) is eligible to apply. To qualify for a Salad Bars to Schools grant you must offer the salad bar as a part of the reimbursable meal served in your district. The 6-foot, five-well salad bar package is for locations that serve at least 100 reimbursable meals daily.

Award: Salad Bar, hardware and pans w/covers

Deadline: Applications accepted year-round

Website: <a href="https://www.saladbars2schools.org/get-a-salad-bar/schools">https://www.saladbars2schools.org/get-a-salad-bar/schools</a>

# GTECH Afterschool Advantage Program

GTECH is a national community investment program, which provides non-profit community agencies and public schools with up to \$50,000 in state-of-the-art computer labs. These computer centers are designed to provide economically disadvantaged children aged 5 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. GTECH focuses on increasing children's interest in careers in computers and provide them with the necessary tools to help them become more competitive in the school and in today's job market. During their grant-giving history, IGT has donated more than 270 computer labs across the U.S. and in several other countries. 501(c) (3) organizations and public schools are eligible to apply.

Award: up to \$15,000 Deadline: Rolling

Website: https://www.snpo.org/publications/fund-

ingalert details.php?id=2410

#### **Donors Choose**

Teachers can request donations to support their classrooms virtually. Donors see these requests and responds to teacher requests at their will.

Award: Up to \$1,000 Deadline: Rolling

Website: <a href="https://www.donorschoose.org/">https://www.donorschoose.org/</a>

# The Awesome Foundation for the Arts and Sciences

Awesome projects range from public artwork to mobile applications to scientific experiments. Projects are not strictly defined but tend to challenge and expand our understanding of individual and communal potential. They should also bring communities together, casting aside social inhibitions and boundaries for a moment, however temporary. Grants are provided with no strings attached, and the foundation claims no ownership over the projects it supports.

Award: \$1,000 Deadline: Rolling

Website: http://www.awesomefoundation.org

#### Wish You Well Foundation

The Wish You Well Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations that promote families across the U.S. The focus of the Foundation's grant-making is on the development and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs. Grants generally range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Requests may be submitted at any time and are reviewed various time throughout the year.

Award: \$2,000 to \$10,000

**Deadline:** Rolling

Website: https://www.wishyouwellfoundation.org/

apply-for-funding

#### **Believe in Reading**

Believe in Reading supports nonprofit organizations in the United States that teach, improve, or encourage reading by people of all ages. Grants are provided for programs that serve any age or aspect of supporting reading and literacy, including adult literacy, English as a second language projects, or Braille-related projects for the blind or visually impaired. Supported literacy programs should serve populations that show out of the ordinary needs,

and high poverty levels. Nonprofit organizations and equivalent educational institutions, including public libraries, are eligible to apply for support for existing and provably successful literacy programs that have been established for a minimum of two years.

Award: Up to \$10,000, though the majority of grants

are for \$3,000 or less

Website: https://believeinreading.org/grant-

guidelines/

#### **Bridgestone Americas Trust Fund**

The Bridgestone Americas Trust Fund makes grants in the areas of education, child development and welfare, and the environment and conservation. Examples of previously funded programs include expanding music education for students in kindergarten through grade 12 and promoting professional development for music teachers; hands-on botanical and art museum experiences for children who are underserved; and employment and leadership support for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Award: Varies

**Deadline:** Quarterly

Website: https://www.bridgestoneamericas.com/en/

corporate-social-responsibility/community

#### **McKeen Fund**

The Fund's Mission is to improve the lives of the elderly, people with disabilities and disadvantaged children and families. Today, the McKeen Fund continues to support the donor's philanthropic philosophy and values, including an emphasis on giving to Roman Catholic organizations. The Trustees will also consider in addition to the donor's preferences, the demands of a changing world and its impact on the Fund's mission.

The Fund also recognizes the donor's value of service and philanthropy going beyond just grantmaking. Fund resources extend to direct charitable activities, including leadership, expertise and a commitment to our grantees and other non-profit organizations.

**Award:** \$5,000 - \$10,000 However it states up to

\$50,000

**Deadline:** Rolling

Website: <a href="http://www.mckeenfund.org/">http://www.mckeenfund.org/</a>

# American Radio Relay League/Victor C. Clark Youth Incentive Program

Mini-Grants are awarded to groups that promote youth participation in amateur radio and enrich the experience of radio amateurs under the age of 18. Awards may be used to secure equipment for antennas for club stations, purchase training materials, and support local service projects that bring favorable public exposure, and similar activities. Preference will be given to projects for which matching funds are raised locally. Groups that qualify for the mini-grants include high school radio clubs, youth groups, and general-interest radio clubs that make a special effort to get youth involved in club activities.

Award: Up to \$1,000 Deadline: Rolling

Website: http://www.arrl.org/the-victor-c-clark-

youth-incentive-program

### The Climate Initiative: Youth Action Grants

The mission of The Climate Initiative (TCI) is to empower youth voices for climate action. TCI's Youth Action Grants provide support to youth organizations and individuals for youth-led, community-based action projects that empower youth ages 13-23 to develop climate solutions in their local landscape. The goal is to encourage youth to take action within their communities to better mitigate climate challenges, foster climate change discussion and education, and provide young people with the necessary resources to fill the gaps of climate adaptation in their communities.

Award: Up to \$2,500 Deadline: Rolling

Website: https://www.theclimateinitiative.org/re-

sources/youth-grants/

#### **Adopt a Classroom**

Adopt a classroom is a website that connects donors and teachers in an effort to bring needed supplies to classrooms.

Award: Up to \$1,000 Deadline: Rolling

Website: https://www.adoptaclassroom.org/for-

teachers-2020/

### **Goodyear Foundation Community Grants**

This program focuses on building and supporting collaborative programs that create positive outcomes for people, communities, and the world around us. Their key focus is global and local Safety, Knowledge & Sustainability as reflected in projects that impact where Goodyear operates. Proposals should promote stronger and safer communities; inspire people to reach their potential in school and or careers preparation; stimulate waste reduction and energy conservation for our planet. Applications must be submitted at least 90 days prior to the start of your proposed program or project.

Award: \$5,000 to \$25,000

**Deadline:** Rolling

**Website:** <a href="https://corporate.goodyear.com/us/en/responsibility/community/community-support.html">https://corporate.goodyear.com/us/en/responsibility/community/community-support.html</a>

#### **VOYA Foundation**

Provide innovative and experiential K-8 STEM learning opportunities to promote an early interest in STEM career fields and improve teachers' capabilities in STEM; or provide financial literacy education curriculum to grade 9-12 students focused on navigating major financial milestones including student debt, credit, home ownership, financial products and services/financial capability, and family financial planning. If you believe your organization's program focus aligns with our giving priorities, please send information to voyafoundation@voya.com and our staff will be in contact if we would like to fund your proposal or more closely tailor it to meet the needs of our communities.

Award: Minimum \$2,500

Deadline: Rolling

Website: https://www.voya.com/page/voya-founda-

tion

#### The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation

The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation and DonorsChoose.org make it easy for anyone to help a classroom in need. Public school teachers from every corner of the U.S. create classroom projects requests, and people give any amount to the project that inspires them.

Award: Varies **Deadline:** Rolling

Website: https://pgafamilyfoundation.org/about

# Believe in Reading - Grants for Literacy Programs

Supports the efforts of non-profit organizations that teach, improve, or encourage reading by people of all ages from around the world. Grants are awarded to existing and provably successful literacy programs.

Award: \$3,000 Deadline: Rolling

Website: <a href="https://believeinreading.org/">https://believeinreading.org/</a>

# Charlie Lovett Fund for Elementary Drama

Each year, the Charlie Lovett Fund for Elementary Drama provides grants to elementary schools across the U.S. These grants are designed to help elementary schools enhance or establish a production based, drama-learning program at the school. Grants can also be used for the school's drama productions.

Award: up to \$300 **Deadline:** Rolling

Website: http://lovettfoundation.org/

<u>elementaryDramaFund.html</u>

#### **ALDI Cares Community Grants**

ALDI, Inc. provides funding in the form of philanthropic donations and/or gift cards to local non-profit organizations that make a positive impact on our Children's Health & Wellness and Food Insecurity while supporting Diversity, Equity and Inclusion programs. Eligible applicants are public and private kindergarten through grade 12 schools and nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations that benefit children in the geographic areas located where ALDI stores, offices, or warehouses in Alabama; Arkansas; California; Connecticut; Delaware; Washington, DC; Florida; Georgia; Illinois; Indiana; Iowa; Kansas; Kentucky. Applications must be submitted using the online system.

Award: Awards range from \$100 to \$5,000

**Deadline:** Monthly (Rolling)

Website: https://corporate.aldi.us/en/corporate-responsibility/community/aldi-cares-community-

grants/



#### **Digital Wish Grants**

Digital Wish Grants aims to help teachers receive funding for technology in their classroom. Through this program, teachers that submit a lesson plan are automatically eligible to be entered to win up to 50 technology grants. Participating teachers can share classroom stories and experiences and Digital Wish Grants will add them to the website. This allows potential donors to make contributions.

Award: Various Grants (e.g., Computer Science

Teacher Grant \$1,000) **Deadline:** Rolling

Website: http://www.digitalwish.com

#### **Good Sports Equipment Grants**

This organization provides sports equipment, apparel, and footwear to youth programs offering sports, fitness, and recreational programs. Eligible proposals must directly serve youth between the ages of 3-18, in need; in the U.S.; and do not charge a participation fee that exceeds \$299. Eligible school districts must serve students who receive free/reduced lunch and proposed programs may define the type of physical activity participants engage in. Winners will be responsible for operational costs, including equipment shipping.

Award: Up to \$1,500 Deadline: Rolling

Website: https://www.goodsports.org/apply/

#### **Saxena Family Foundation Grants**

The Saxena Family Foundation has a particular focus on initiatives that promote US science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and the empowerment of girls, female children, and young women so that they have equal rights later in life. The foundation focuses on empowerment programs to include economic, educational, and political empowerment of women through literacy programs, jobs, and life-skills training. Previous grantees have included schools, universities, and nonprofit organizations.

Award: The Foundation anticipates most grants will be in the \$5,000-\$50,000 range. Initial grants are not necessarily typical of future grants.

**Deadline:** Rolling

Website: <a href="https://saxenafoundation.com/quidelines/">https://saxenafoundation.com/quidelines/</a>

#### **Kid Spark Education**

Students of all backgrounds deserve a chance to learn and love STEM. The Kid Spark STEM Equity Grant Program makes this possible by providing Title I schools everything they need to encourage STEM learning in the classroom, free of charge.

Award: Comprehensive Curriculum. STEM Labs and

Professional Learning Deadline: Rolling

**Website:** <a href="https://go.kidsparkeducation.org/grants/stem-equity-grant-programs#grant-application">https://go.kidsparkeducation.org/grants/stem-equity-grant-programs#grant-application</a>

#### **H2O for Life Service-Learning Grant**

The funds from this grant must be used to assist teachers and students as 'Start-Up Funds" for their H2O for Life service-learning project. These small grants require participating schools to create a fundraising project budget and an implementation plan for their school year that will raise funds to support an H2O for Life Global Partner School.

Award: \$250-\$500 **Deadline:** Rolling

**Website:** https://www.h2oforlifeschools.org/page/kickstart-your-project-with-a-grant

#### **Publix Requests for Donations**

Publix recognizes the importance of supporting charitable activities within the community. As part of its mission, Publix focuses its charitable efforts on the following areas: youth, education, reducing hunger, and alleviating homelessness. All requests for gift cards, sponsorships and program ads must be submitted on the letterhead of the applicant's non-profit, tax-exempt organization at least four weeks prior to the event date. 501(c)(3) applicant organizations must include a copy of their "letter of determination" from the IRS.

**Award:** Varies **Deadline:** Rolling

Website: <a href="https://corporate.publix.com/community/">https://corporate.publix.com/community/</a>

requests



#### **Yellow Buses in the Park**

The purpose of the "Yellow Buses in the Parks" program is to assist with the transportation costs associated with field trips to State Parks, so that no child is deprived from the benefits of seeing Florida's natural, cultural, and historical parks. Grants can be requested for paying for transportation costs for these trips by emailing

grants@floridastateparksfoundation.org.

Award: Transportation costs for Florida State Park

field trip.

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <a href="https://floridastateparksfoundation.org/">https://floridastateparksfoundation.org/</a>

programs/grant-programs/

### Michael & Susan Dell Foundation Grants

The Michael & Susan Dell Foundation collaborates with a range of organizations focused on creating opportunities for children and families living in urban poverty, with a deep emphasis on measuring impact. Our funding advances projects already making an impact in education, health, and family economic stability. Through these enduring and long-standing partnerships, we create lasting change together.

Award: \$50,000 (minimum)

**Deadline:** Rolling

**Website:** <a href="https://corp.rossstores.com/responsibility/giving-guidelines/store-based-giving-guidelines/">https://corp.rossstores.com/responsibility/giving-guidelines/store-based-giving-guidelines/</a>

#### The Hagerty Foundation

The Hagerty Foundation provides programs and financial support in three focus areas: Car culture, Education, & Innovation. With the purpose of keeping driving alive for generations to come, we provide scholarships for students in the automotive field of education, offer financial support and mentorship for automotive start-ups an innovative business, and continue to build a federally recognized program through the National Historic Vehicle Register, that documents and records the important history of automobiles. The License to the Future program offers grants to young drivers (between the age of 14-18) to cover the cost of Drivers Education

Award: Up to \$500 **Deadline:** Rolling

Website: https://corporate.hagerty.com/



#### **Slow Food Garden Grant**

Slow Food Miami makes Edible Garden Grants that support student-centered vegetable gardens in Miami-Dade County schools. The goal is to address childhood nutritional issues such as malnutrition and obesity, as well as to encourage students to develop healthy, respectful attitudes toward food. Funding includes planting support and consultation throughout the growing season. Eligible applicants are public and private prekindergarten through grade 12 schools in Miami-Dade County, Florida. Applications must be submitted using the online system.

Award: Varies Deadline: Rolling

Website: https://slowfoodusa.org/school-gardens/

grants-garden-guide/

#### **Women's Sports Foundation**

The Women's Sports Foundation, established in 1974 by Billie Jean King, is a national nonprofit educational organization dedicated to promoting the lifelong participation of all girls and women in sports and fitness. The Foundation seeks to create an educated public that encourages females' participation and supports gender equality in sport. The Foundation's grant programs provide girls and women with educational materials and scholarships, research on issues related to women in sports, and leadership development, as well as opportunities to participate in sports and fitness. The Foundation offers program and research grants, scholarship and internship programs, and several awards. Visit the Foundation's website for a list of open opportunities. Eligible applicants: Nonprofits, schools, and individuals.

Website: <a href="https://www.womenssportsfoundation.">https://www.womenssportsfoundation.</a>

org/

#### Pets in the Classroom

PetSmart Grant is redeemable at your local PetSmart store for specific items to support your classroom pet.

Award: Variety of small one-time grants

**Deadline:** Rolling

Website: <a href="https://petsintheclassroom">https://petsintheclassroom</a>.

org/do-you-qualify/

#### **Duke Energy Foundation**

The Duke Energy Foundation provides grants that support programs to address the summer reading loss ("summer slide") experienced by rising kindergartners through rising third-graders and programs that advance energy, engineering, and environmental education through student programming or teacher professional development. Programs serving underrepresented, low-income, or diverse audiences, including women and minorities, will be given preference in this grant cycle. Programs that extend into out-of-school time will be given preference in this grant cycle.

**Award:** Varies **Deadline:** Rolling

Website: <a href="https://www.duke-energy.com/community/duke-energy-foundation/florida">https://www.duke-energy.com/community/duke-energy-foundation/florida</a>

### **Eduporium Educational Technology Grant**

Our grant is open to all educators in the United States and we encourage everyone to apply! The application process opens on the first of each month and concludes on the 20th. Following the 20-day submission period, our team will review all new grant applications and notify the awardee by the last business day of the month. We will announce the recipient via our Twitter account, email newsletter, blog, and contact the person directly. While you can apply for grants as often as you'd like, educators may only apply for the Eduporium grant once per month with one application per person. Those awarded the grant are then ineligible to apply for one calendar year. Recipients may use their grant award on any of the hundreds of STEM, MakerEd, and computing technologies available on the Eduporium store.

**Award:** Robotics and Coding Kits. Drones 3D Printers. Virtual Reality Systems .Makerspace Tools, Engineering Tools

**Deadline:** The application process opens on the first of each month and concludes on the 20th.

Website: https://www.eduporium.com/eduporium-

tech-grant



# RESOURCES

# Teacher Resources



The Children's Trust Books for Free is a partnership with Miami Book Fair at Miami Dade College. Our goal is to get more books in the hands of children who need them the most – magical, world-building, life-changing books that they can keep to read with their families over and over again. We achieve this goal by delivering an average of 2,443 new and gently used books per week to more than 70 public bookshelves located in high-traffic locations throughout Miami-Dade County's most underserved neighborhoods. These books are free for the taking by children and their caregivers.

**Website:** <a href="https://www.thechildrenstrust.org/content/books-free">https://www.thechildrenstrust.org/content/books-free</a>

#### **4-H Programs**

4-H programs empower young people to lead for a lifetime. It is a youth development organization that helps young people, and their families gain the skills needed to be proactive forces in their communities and develop ideas for a more innovative economy. 4-H programs promote science, healthy living and civic engagement through a network of public universities and community volunteers. The 4-H website offers several resources that supports athome, and after-school programs, 4-H clubs, camps and curriculum and teamwork, problem-solving, critical thinking activities.

**Website:** <a href="https://4-h.org/ways-to-give/corporate-foundation-support/#!our-programs">https://4-h.org/ways-to-give/corporate-foundation-support/#!our-programs</a>

#### **First Book**

First Book offers free and inexpensive children's books and educational resources to schools and programs that serve children in need from birth to age 18. Head Start programs, Title I or Title I-eligible schools, USDA Food and Nutrition Service programs, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Title VII recipients, military family support programs, libraries with E-rates of 90, programs primarily serving children with disabilities and programs where at least 70 percent of children come from low-income families are eligible to sign up with First Book. To register, visit First Book Marketplace.

Website: <a href="https://www.fbmarketplace.org/register/">https://www.fbmarketplace.org/register/</a>

#### The Education Fund

The Education Fund's first program awarded small grants to support teachers' innovative, hands-on classroom projects. Three decades and more than 4,800 "best practice" projects later, our collective programs continue to make a difference in the lives of 350,000+ students/families and 20,000 educators throughout Miami-Dade County Public Schools. The objective of each Education Fund program is to work side-by-side with the private sector to support and promote quality public education for every child in Miami-Dade County Public Schools by providing teachers and students with resources they need to be successful.

**Website:** <a href="https://www.educationfund.org/what-we-do/programs/">https://www.educationfund.org/what-we-do/programs/</a>

#### Free National Geographic Teacher Resources for Grades PreK-12

What to teach each month; Classroom resources; Bring National Geographic to your classroom through lesson plans, maps, and reference resources. Resources for all grades in any subject.

Website: <a href="https://www.nationalgeographic.org/">https://www.nationalgeographic.org/</a>

society/education-resources/

# Free Poster for Poster for your Science Classroom

Science and engineering are two of the fastest-growing career fields in the world today. And your students are already using many of the problem-solving strategies professionals rely on in your classroom every day. The free poster is inspired by Lyndsey Manzo, science curriculum specialist, of Westerville, Ohio and you can hang it on your science classroom wall to help students think about how they're working like scientists and engineers every day. Fill out the form from the link below for your free copy.

Website: <a href="https://go.info.amplify.com/download-othercontent-fy21 science mindful national poster">https://go.info.amplify.com/download-othercontent-fy21 science mindful national poster</a>

# Reading and Language Arts Online Collection Packs

PBS Learning Media offers online reading and language arts collection packs for K-12 teachers. These collection packs provide a set of educational resources focused on American authors, poetry, and Shakespeare. Each pack includes links to PBS websites and a set of activities by grade level. They offer lessons on great American authors, Shakespeare, and the Renaissance.

Website: <a href="https://florida.pbslearningmedia.org/search/?selected-facet=media-type:Collection">https://florida.pbslearningmedia.org/search/?selected-facet=media-type:Collection</a>

#### **Code Quest**

A computer programming competition that puts high school student's coding skills to the test by solving problems created by Lockheed Martin Information Technology professionals.

Website: https://lockheedmartin.com/en-us/who-

#### **STEM Education Outreach Activities**

Lockheed Martin provides funding and volunteer support to organizations that support STEM career readiness and access for students in high school. Select partners include:

- **Girls Inc.** inspires all girls to be strong, smart, and bold, including programming to strengthen their interest and confidence in pursuing STEM education and careers. **Website:** https://girlsinc.org
- Project Lead The Way empowers students to develop and apply in-demand, transportable skills by exploring real-world challenges in engineering, computer science, and cybersecurity.

Website: <a href="https://www.pltw.org/">https://www.pltw.org/</a>

- Million Girls Moonshot seeks to prepare the next generation of innovators by engaging one million more girls in STEM learning opportunities through afterschool and summer programs. Website: <a href="https://milliongirlsmoonshot.org/">https://milliongirlsmoonshot.org/</a>
- FIRST designs accessible and innovative robotics programs that motivate young people to pursue education and career opportunities in STEM, while building knowledge and life skills. Website: <a href="https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/frc">https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/frc</a>

### Free Activities for Teaching Math, Science and Music

MathScienceMusic.org is a free toolkit for teachers, bringing together the best resources in math, science, and music.

Website: https://MathScienceMusic.org

#### **Library of Congress (Online Webinars)**

The Library of Congress offers educator webinars and workshops facilitated by education resource specialists. As sessions are added, we will post them here. Educators may also access materials and recordings from previously held webinars.

**Website:** <a href="https://www.loc.gov/programs/teachers/professional-development/webinar/">https://www.loc.gov/programs/teachers/professional-development/webinar/</a>

#### **TEACH Grant**

The TEACH Grant Program provides grants of up to \$4,000 a year to students who are completing or plan to complete course work needed to begin a career in teaching.

A TEACH Grant-eligible program is a program of study that is designed to prepare you to teach as a highly qualified teacher in a high-need field and that leads to a bachelor's or master's degree or is a postbaccalaureate program. A two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree is considered a program that leads to a bachelor's degree. A postbaccalaureate program is not TEACH-Grant-eligible if it is offered by a school that also offers a bachelor's degree in education. Schools that participate in the TEACH Grant Program determine which of the programs they offer are TEACH-Grant-eligible. A program that is TEACH-Grant-eligible at one school might not be TEACH-Grant-eligible at another school. Additionally, even if a program meets the eligibility requirements to be a TEACH-Grant-eligible program, it may not be designated as TEACH-Grant-eligible by the school. Contact the financial aid office at the school you are attending (or that you plan to attend) to find out which programs at that school are eligible.

**Website:** <a href="https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/grants/teach">https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/grants/teach</a>

# Energy Curricula and Learning Kits are now available for K-12 Public Schools!

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Office of Energy is offering FREE Energy Education Kits for Florida's K-12 schools and School-Age Childcare Facilities (as referenced in 65C-22.008(1), F.A.C.). . Each kit contains wires, motors, milliamp meters, multi-testers, propellers, UV detecting beads, thermometers, prisms, videos, watt meters, reference books, career guides, and various types and sizes of photovoltaic panels.

Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis based upon the date and time that a properly completed application is received.

**Website:** https://www.fdacs.gov/Business-Services/ Energy/Energy-Education-Kits

# Library of Congress (Virtual Workshops for Students in Grades 3-8)

NEW virtual workshops for students in grades 3-8. Connect with Library collections with one of these programs, led by a Library educator: Rosa Parks: Freedom Fighter, Imagination: Everyone's Superpower, and Stories in the Stars: Mythology at the Library of Congress.

**Website:** <a href="https://www.loc.gov/visit/virtual-student-workshops/">https://www.loc.gov/visit/virtual-student-workshops/</a>

#### CritterCoin

Digital achievements-and-rewards system RedCritter has launched a new platform called CritterCoin where schools can build their own free system to implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports with points, rewards in the form of digital coins and non-fungible tokens, and a school-specific rewards store.

Website: <a href="https://www.crittercoin.com/">https://www.crittercoin.com/</a>

# Library of Congress (Classroom Materials)

Created by teachers for teachers, these ready-touse materials provide easy ways to incorporate the Library's unparalleled primary sources into instruction.

**Website:** https://www.loc.gov/programs/teachers/classroom-materials/





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Workshop	Date	Registration/Location
INSTAGrants	March 22, 2024	Webinar
INSTAGrants	April 10, 2024	Webinar
Intermediate Grant Writing	June 7, 2024	Paul W. Bell MS (Loc. #6041) Room 221

In order to register, participants must use the M-DCPS Professional Learning Platform. It includes the District Professional Learning Catalog listing available grant writing workshops.