

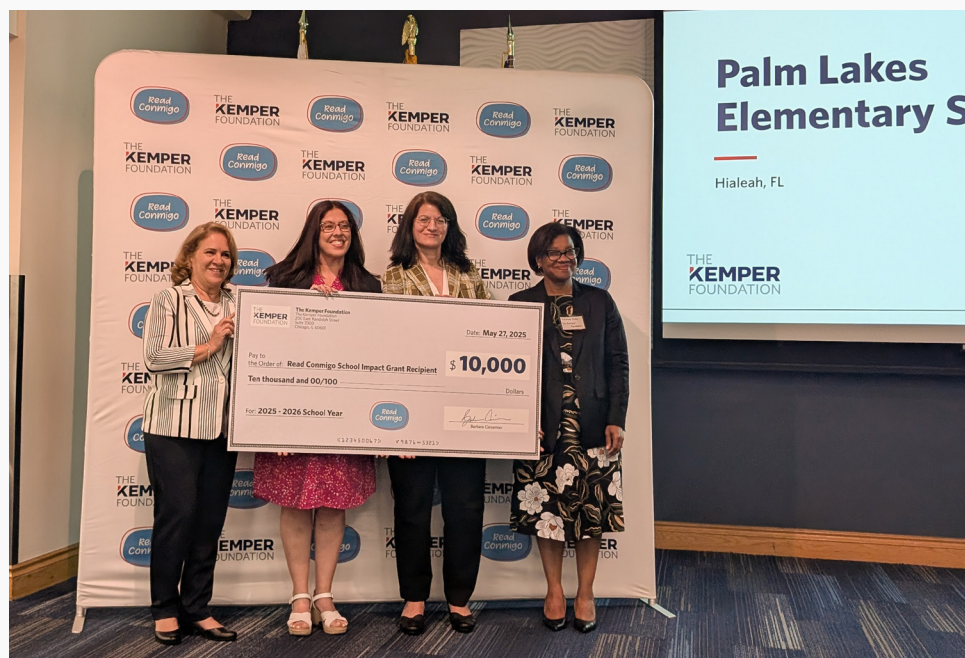
Newsletter

Grant Opportunities and Resources for M-DCPS' Educators, Students and Families



OFFICE OF GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

Palm Lakes Elementary School Awarded \$10,000 Read Connmigo School Impact Award



From left to right: Ms. Oramas, Spanish Teacher at Palm Lakes Elementary who discovered the grant; Ms. Diaz-Rubio, Principal; and two representatives from The Kemper Foundation.

Palm Lakes Elementary School celebrates its awarded grant from The Kemper Foundation Read Connmigo School Impact Award. The school is using the \$10,000 to create a science lab for students in grades K-5 that will engage students in interactive science experiments promoting language development and technology integration.

The Read Connmigo Grant Program is directed towards advancing bilingual education within Title I elementary schools. The program aims to enhance biliteracy, support academic achievement, and promote cultural awareness.

This science lab will be the first of its kind at Palm Lakes Elementary. The lab will serve multiple purposes: showcasing student experiments and projects that highlight language development and technology integration, and providing a dedicated space for teachers in grades K-5 to complete required science labs with students.

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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.

For a chance to be featured in our next newsletter, please send detailed information on your awarded grant and photos to **Aileen Delgado** at adelgado28@dadeschools.net.

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The lab will also function as a hub for science teachers to create lesson plans, develop lab ideas, and provide training for new educators in the school community. When families tour the school or participate in STEAM nights, the lab will serve as a showcase to display student work, experiments, and projects.

The school has set ambitious goals for the science lab's impact. Palm Lakes Elementary hopes to increase school-wide science data by at least 5% from last year. The success of the lab will be monitored by the school's science coach and administration through various measures, including student participation documented in science interactive journals, quarterly science assessments, and for fifth-grade students, the state science test administered at the beginning, middle, and end of the year.

"Some of our students do not have the resources to go to science museums or participate in science related activities outside of school. This science lab will allow students to take what they learn here at school and apply it in the real world," said Ms. Ivette Diaz-Rubio, Principal at Palm Lakes Elementary.

"It is also an experience that they can take home to teach their families by conducting experiments that they learned in the science lab," said Diaz-Rubio.



Ms. Lagomacini's class collaborating on lab experiment called "building a wall to avoid erosion".



Space being prepared to be converted into science lab.



FNEI Welcomes Two Student Interns for Summer Youth Internship Program



From left to right: Camillo Tellez guiding Jayla Padilla and Fabian Troia through their next tasks.



Fabian Troia and Jayla Padilla standing in front of the FNEI mural.

The Summer Youth Internship Program (SYIP) has started and is underway with students volunteering at various businesses, including County offices, restaurants, veterinary clinics, law firms, engineering firms, and other local employers throughout Miami-Dade County. Now in its 10th year, SYIP connects high school students with meaningful internship opportunities to gain hands-on work experience while earning both high school credit and valuable career insights.

This summer, FNEI took in two interns: Jayla Padilla, a rising senior from Miami Edison Senior High School, and Fabian Troia, a rising junior from Coral Gables Senior High School. Under mentor Camilo Tellez, Senior Staff Accountant at FNEI, the two interns have gained valuable experience in what it takes to run the foundation through hands-on tasks including data migration, research, transaction paperwork, and important file management. They've also contributed to significant projects like organizing donor information and contact databases that will help the foundation maintain strong relationships with supporters.

"I think this internship is really good preparation for life after high school...It's also a great way to grow, make connections, and explore what kind of work I might want to do later on," said Padilla.

Both students have enjoyed working with the FNEI team and learning more about the office environment.

"I'm glad to be working with Camilo, he is a great boss and always has a positive attitude in the office. Overall, the experience at FNEI is amazing, the coworkers are friendly and the position couldn't fit more perfectly," said Troia.

Their mentor, Camilo Tellez, has been equally impressed with their contributions.

"Having Fabian and Jayla as my summer interns has been an enormous help for the Foundation. They have done countless tasks that have assisted us in our projects this summer. They have both grown and improved tremendously since they first began. It is always a great experience teaching young students what it is like to work in an office setting," said Tellez.

The program, which partners with The Children's Trust, Miami-Dade County, Career Source South Florida, and other organizations, expects about 3,000 students to participate this summer across various fields including healthcare, finance, and education. These five-week paid internships not only benefit students but also provide local employers with enthusiastic young talent at no cost.



Fabian Troia updating donor and contact database information.

Grant Opportunities

August 2025

Clif Family Foundation

The Clif Family Foundation invites applications for its grants program, through which operational support grants will be awarded. Priority will be given to applicants that demonstrate strong community ties; operate within viable and clearly defined plans for positive change; and address two or more funding priorities at the same time, which may include strengthening the food system, enhancing equitable community health outcomes, and safeguarding the environment and natural resources.

Award: Varies

Deadline: August 1, 2025

Website: <https://cliffamilyfoundation.org/grants-program#open-call>

Road Runners Club of America (RRCA) Kids Run the Nation Grant

The purpose of this program is to support running clubs, schools, and community-based nonprofits interested in implementing or currently hosting youth running programs. Eligibility is limited to elementary and middle schools; parent booster clubs; PTAs; and running clubs, events, or other organizations with the IRS 501(c)(3) designation.

Award: Up to \$1,000

Deadline: August 1, 2025

Website: <https://www.rrca.org/programs/kids-run-the-nation/grant-fund/>



Lois Lenski Covey Foundation Bookmobile Grant

To advance literacy and foster a love of reading among underserved and at-risk children and youth in the United States, including U.S. territories. The Foundation's Bookmobile Grants support bookmobile programs that serve economically or socially at-risk children. The grants are for purchasing books published for young people preschool through grade 8.

Award: Up to \$3,000

Deadline: August 15, 2025

Website: <https://www.loislenskicovey.org/bookmobile-grants/>

National Society of High School Scholars' STEAM Educator Grant

The National Society of High School Scholars' STEAM Educator Grant, accepting applications for high school educators who teach STEAM principles or subjects and are currently employed at a public or private high school in the United States.

Award: \$1,000

Deadline: August 19, 2025

Website: <https://www.nshss.org/educators/grants/grant-items/nshss-steam-educator-grant-1/>



NSHSS
Foundation

National Society of High School Scholars' Advanced Placement (AP) Educator Grant

Grant available to Advanced Placement teachers for purchasing supplies, materials, field trips, or supplemental resources that enhance AP course delivery. All NSHSS Educators teaching any Advanced Placement subject are eligible to apply.

Award: \$1,000

Deadline: August 19, 2025

Website: <https://www.nshss.org/educators/grants/grant-items/nshss-advanced-placement-ap-educator-grant-1/>

National Society of High School Scholars' Social Emotional Learning in the Classroom Grant

To support high school educators who promote mental health awareness and positive change in their classrooms. One teacher will be selected to receive funding for Social Emotional Learning (SEL) resources and curriculum.

Award: \$1,500

Deadline: August 19, 2025

Website: <https://www.nshss.org/educators/grants/grant-items/nshss-social-emotional-learning-in-the-classroom-grant-1/>

ETC Performing Arts Funding

The purpose of this program is to support the arts throughout the United States. Eligibility is limited to 501(c)(3) non-profits residing in the United States; an accredited public or private school/university residing in the United States; or a federal, state, or local government as defined in section 170 (c) of the IRS service code.

Award: Up to \$5,000

Deadline: August 31, 2025

Website: <https://www.etcconnect.com/About/Philanthropy/Performing-Arts-Grant.aspx>

September 2025

Toshiba America Foundation Grants For Grades 6-12

The purpose of this program is to bring an innovative project into the classroom. Eligibility is limited to sixth to 12th grade teachers.

Award: Up to \$5,000

Deadline: September 1, 2025

Website: <https://www.toshiba.com/taf/612.jsp>

Les Paul Foundation

Awards grants to programs and projects that encourage innovation in music production and/or performance and to innovative STEM and STEAM programs for students and others in challenging situations.

Award: Varies

Deadline: September 15, 2025

Website: <https://www.les-paul.com/the-foundation/#grants>

NEA Foundation Learning & Leadership Grants

Through our Learning & Leadership grants, we support the professional development of NEA members by providing grants to:

- Individuals to participate in high-quality professional development like summer institutes, conferences, seminars, travel abroad programs, or action research.
- Groups to fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson plan development, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff.

Award: Up to \$5,000

Deadline: September 15, 2025

Website: <https://www.neafoundation.org/educator-grants-and-fellowships/learning-leadership-grants/>

October 2025

Toshiba America Foundation: Grants for K-5 teachers

K-5 grade teachers are invited to apply on-line for a Toshiba America Foundation grant of not more than \$1,000 to help bring an innovative project into their own classroom.

Award: Up to \$1,000

Deadline October 1, 2025

Website: <https://www.toshiba.com/taf/k5.jsp>

McDonald's Golden Grants (Florida, South Carolina and South Georgia)

McDonald's is proud to support our local communities through the Golden Grants program to help non-profit organizations that serve children from ages 5 -18, including those in grade levels K-12. Qualifying activities include the following, as long as need is demonstrated: Arts activities, Education initiatives, Mentorship and empowerment programs, After-school programs, Community service, Sports activities, Technology.

Award: Up to \$10,000

Deadline October 10, 2025

Website: <https://mcdgoldengrants.com/florida/>



Florida Association for Water Quality Control Environmental Education (E2) Fund Grant

FAWQC is an association of professionals dedicated to managing, improving, and protecting the quality of Florida's waters. The FAWQC E2 Fund was established to promote environmental education and awards grants for environmental projects at Florida schools, civic or community organizations, and awards prizes at Florida science fairs.

Award: Up to \$1,000

Deadline October 15, 2025

Website: <https://fawqc.com/environmental-education-fund/>



Rolling Opportunities

Pets in the Classroom Grants for Teachers

Pets in the Classroom is an educational grant program that provides financial support to teachers to purchase and maintain small animals in the classroom. The program was established by the Pet Care Trust to provide children with an opportunity to interact with pets. The Pet Care Trust also established the Dogs in the Classroom program, which provides teachers with the opportunity to bring animal-assisted therapy to their classroom—an experience that can help to shape their lives for years to come.

Award: Varies

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <https://petsintheclassroom.org/do-you-qualify/>



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

Brinker International

The Brinker International Charitable Giving Program and the company's restaurants, which include Chili's Grill & Bar and Maggiano's Little Italy, support nonprofit organizations in the communities where restaurants are located. (Information on locations is available for Chili's and Maggiano's.) Areas of interest include kids, hunger, and education. Monetary and in-kind support in the form of dining certificates are provided.

Award: Varies

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/publish?EQBCT=def16a8c76fd4d01a50c9745011786f4>

Glenn W. Bailey Foundation Grants

The foundation invites letters of inquiry for innovative early childhood STEM education programs in Florida. Any program or idea supporting 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 rolling 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: <https://www.saladbars2schools.org/get-a-salad-bar/schools>

Fruit Tree Orchard Donation Grant

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: <https://www.ftpf.org/apply>

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.

Award: up to \$15,000

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <https://www.snpo.org/publications/>

All Kids Play

To support nonprofit organizations, school sports programs, or government-run programs (i.e. community park districts) in low-income communities that provide community-based recreational level sports for kids in grades K-12.

Award: Varies

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <https://allkidsplay.org/youth-sports-grants/>

Walmart Spark Good Local Grants

These local grants are designed to address the unique needs of the communities where we operate. Funds support various initiatives in various areas: Community and Economic Development, Diversity and Inclusion, Education, Environmental Sustainability, and Health and Human Services.

Award: \$250 - \$5,000

Deadline: On a quarterly basis

Mar. 10 – Apr. 15, 2025

May 1 – Jul. 15, 2025

Aug. 1 – Oct. 15, 2025

Nov. 3 – Dec. 31, 2025

Website: <https://www.walmart.org/how-we-give/program-guidelines/spark-good-local-grants-guidelines>

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>

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/>

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. Supported literacy programs should serve populations that show out of the ordinary needs, such as geographic areas with low reading scores and high poverty levels. Nonprofit organizations and equivalent educational institutions, including public libraries, are eligible to apply for support.

Award: Up to \$10,000, though the majority of grants are for \$3,000 or less

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <https://believeinreading.org/grant-guidelines/>

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>

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. 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: <http://www.mckeenfund.org/>



McKeen Fund

Many Hands One Heart

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>



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. 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: <https://corporate.goodyear.com/us/en/responsibility/community/community-support.html>

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.

Award: Minimum \$2,500

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <https://www.voya.com/page/voya-stem-futures>

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/elementaryDramaFund.html>

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/education-programs>

New Worlds Reading

To be eligible for New Worlds Reading, a child must be either a VPK student who is not yet meeting age-appropriate standards according to FAST Star Early Literacy, or a K-5th grade student in a Florida public or district-sponsored charter school who is not yet reading on grade level.

Award: Books

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <https://www.newworldsreading.com/fl/en/enrollment.html>

ALDI Cares Community Grants

ALDI, Inc. provides funding in the form of philanthropic donations and/or gift cards to local nonprofit 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/corporate-sustainability/community/aldi-community-gift-card-program/>



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: <http://saxenafoundation.com/guidelines/>



Kid Spark Education

The Kid Spark STEM Equity Grant Program provides 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: <https://go.kidsparkeducation.org/grants/stem-equity-grant-programs#grant-application>

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: <https://www.alternativefuelfoundation.org/grants/>

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://driversfoundation.org/grants>

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: <https://corporate.publix.com/community/requests>



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: <https://www.donorschoose.org/>

DONORS CHOOSE

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. **Award:** Varies

Deadline: Rolling

Website: https://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/wsf_program_categories/girl-serving-programs/

Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation

The Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation provides musical instruments to schools across the country, primarily focusing on enhancing access to music education for students in underprivileged communities.

Award: Varies

Deadline: Rolling

Website: <https://mhopus.org/instrument-grants/>



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: <https://www.duke-energy.com/community/duke-energy-foundation/florida>

Eduporium Educational Technology Grant

The application process opens on the first of each month and concludes on the 20th. 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>



Teacher Resources

The Children's Trust Books for Free

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: <https://www.thechildrenstrust.org/content/books-free>

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 at-home, and after-school programs, 4-H clubs, camps and curriculum and teamwork, problem-solving, critical thinking activities.

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



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: <https://www.fbmarketplace.org/register/>

The Education Fund

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: <https://www.educationfund.org/what-we-do/programs/>

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: <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/society/education-resources/>



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: <https://www.pltw.org/>

- **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: <https://milliongirlsmoonshot.org/>

- **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: <https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/frc>

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: https://florida.pbslearningmedia.org/search/?selected_facet=media_type:Collection

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: <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/grants/teach>





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>



Ocean Bank Center for Educational Materials

Full-time teachers and current year PTA/PTSA Presidents in Miami-Dade County Public Schools are eligible to schedule an appointment to "shop" for school supplies twice a year at this free Miami store.

Website: <https://www.educationfund.org/what-we-do/programs/ocean-bank-center-for-educational-materials/teacher-shopping-visit.html>

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



Library of Congress (Classroom Materials)

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

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



Grant Writing Workshops

2025-2026

For more information on grant writing and other financial resources, please visit our website at www.DadeGetsGrants.net

| Workshop | Date | Registration/Location |
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| INSTAGrants | August 13, 2025 | Webinar |
| INSTAGrants | September 23, 2025 | Webinar |
| INSTAGrants | October 2, 2025 | Webinar |
| Intermediate Grant Writing | January 16, 2026 | TBD |
| INSTAGrants | March 20, 2026 | Webinar |
| Intermediate Grant Writing | April 3, 2026 | TBD |
| 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. | | |