

Weston Education Foundation Enrichment and Technology Grant

Purpose

The purpose of the Weston Education Foundation's Enrichment and Technology Grant is to fund larger projects that do not qualify as Expert-in-Residence or Teacher Development and Creativity Grants. Some requests have been for collaborations with institutions of higher learning, such as the American Studies Collaboration with Fairfield University in 2000. Other requests have been for tangible items, such as the Media Lab in 1999 or the Wireless Library in 2002. Whatever the case may be, WEF has found these proposals worthy of funding and encourages their system-wide development.

Eligibility

Any certified staff member currently employed by the Weston Public Schools can apply for a grant.

Funding

These grants will be awarded for projects that are not presently fundable by other sources. Funding will be limited to the costs of materials, equipment, and services that benefit students. WEF does not provide funding for substitute teachers or transportation.

Criteria

WEF will use the following general criteria when screening applications:

- The initiative ultimately leads to a problem-solving approach to learning, involving inquiry and investigation.
- The initiative ultimately leads to higher-level reasoning, abstract, and critical-thinking skills.
- The initiative ultimately leads to a project that promotes creative expression.
- The initiative ultimately leads to self-directed learning and study skills.
- The initiatives ultimately leads to the development of curriculum enhancement.

In addition, preference will be given to those proposals that can potentially be continued or repeated in future years without additional WEF funding.

Application Process

Complete sections I, II, and III and have the department chairperson, school principal, and assistant superintendent or superintendent sign the attached application. Applications should be emailed by May 15 to grants@westoneducationfoundation.org.

For further information, please e-mail the Weston Education Grants Committee at grants@westoneducationfoundation.org.

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Section I

Applicant Information

Name _____ Date _____

School _____ Position _____

Home address _____

Home telephone _____ School telephone _____

E-mail address _____

Section II

Funding Information and Signatures

Total amount requested \$ _____

Please provide a detailed, itemized listing of your budget needs for this project.

Project Start Date:

Anticipated End Date:

Signatures:

Applicant _____ Date

Department Chairperson _____ Date

School Principal _____ Date

Assistant Superintendent
Or Superintendent _____ Date

I understand that if I receive a grant from the Weston Education Foundation (WEF), I am obligated to submit a FINAL REPORT about my project. Grants greater than \$3,000 will also require an INTERIM REPORT three months after the project's starting date. I also understand that WEF's funding support should be included in our publicity,* and that event pictures should be provided to WEF for use in their web site and newsletters.

Grant requests for future needs will not be considered until reports have been submitted for all previous grants.

*flyers, invitations, press releases, photographs etc. Teachers, please be sure that you have parental permission for all students in pictures.

Signature _____ Date

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Section III
Project Information

Project title _____

Content area _____

Grade level _____ Number of students involved _____

Who are the students involved? _____

Who are the teachers involved? _____

Please answer the following questions as thoroughly as possible.

1. State the specific objectives of this project.
2. Describe the project in detail, including expected results.
3. How will you determine that the project's objectives were successfully met?

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