

Foundation for Educational Excellence – \$750 Innovative Teacher Grants

The Foundation for Educational Excellence will accept grant requests up to \$750 (single) or \$1,500 (group) for Innovative Teacher Grants.

Innovative Grant: An “Innovative Teacher Grant” will fund a new and innovative project that goes beyond the regular instructional materials or activities currently funded by the school or district. Innovative projects are limited only by your imagination, and can include anything from science to art, PE to languages. They can supplement your current curriculum or be used to enhance student learning in an innovative way

Eligible Grant Applicants: Any Beaufort County School District employee who is presently working in a position with regular supervision of students is eligible to apply. This includes classroom teachers, media specialists, instructional coaches, related arts, elective class teachers, and sponsors of student clubs or organizations that are sanctioned by the school or district. Athletic programs are ineligible for funding. Administrators are not eligible to apply for an Innovative Teacher Grant.

Consecutive Grant Requests: An eligible applicant may apply for an Innovative Teacher Grant as often as she or he chooses. The proposed project should not be a continuation or expansion of a current or previous project.

Grant Amount Requested: A single applicant may request a grant up to \$750. Two or more applicants can combine to request up to \$1,500. The applicant should explain how any additional funds will be covered if not funded by the Foundation, such as any other grants that have been applied for this same project.

Ineligible items: Innovative Teacher Grant requests will not be approved to cover the costs associated with field trips, t-shirts, or furniture.

Grant Rating: Each grant will be rated in the following areas – Description of an Innovative Project, enhancement of student learning, project assessment and budget summary.

Project Success: Specific methods to measure the success of the project must be part of the application. Clear goals, benefits and outcomes should be included.

Budget Summary: The Budget summary must include specific information on what will be purchased, itemized cost of items, including tax and shipping (if any), and any labor that may be required. The application must also include what percent of the project will be reusable in future years.

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