



Old Rochester Tri-Town Education Foundation Fund

Mission

The Foundation's mission is to support grants to benefit public education in Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester. Funding is generated from private philanthropic donations.

Vision

Enrich the educational, cultural and civic experience for all our students.
Enhance each student's success in school, in our communities and in life.
Encourage academic excellence, innovation and creative thinking in our schools.

Grant Application Timeline and Process and Information

Deadline for applications: April 26, 2024
Announcement of winners: May 31, 2024
Funds available July 1, 2024
Mid-year report Mid Jan.
Final applicant report due: June 31, 2025

Applications must be submitted to the online portal by April 26, 2024.

[GRANT APPLICATION LINK](#)

Code: ORR123

The Grant Review Committee makes funding recommendations to the *Old Rochester Tri-Town Education Foundation* Board of Directors. The Board is responsible for the final funding decisions.

Applicants may be contacted for further information and clarifications, and may be asked to meet in person with the grant review committee. Recipients and non-recipients are notified May 31, 2024.

Awardees will be asked to submit a final grant report that includes the **activities and outcomes** of the funded project and a final budget detailing how the grant funds were used via the online portal. Awardees may be asked to participate or present grant information for public purposes.

Grant applications should address one of the following categories:

1. **Curriculum Enrichment:** Take risks, be original, and go beyond the published curriculum. Don't be afraid to try something new. These grants are intended to provide opportunities to develop or enhance ideas that you and your colleagues believe will enrich student learning and achievement!
2. **Faculty-Mentored Student Projects:** These grants support projects that evolve from student-driven ideas and faculty-mentored student implementation and evaluation. Projects should be innovative and demonstrate creative thinking to enrich educational, cultural and civic experience.
3. **Professional Development:** These grants support opportunities for teachers, education support professionals, and higher education faculty and staff to engage in high-quality professional development and lead their colleagues in professional growth.

- **Maximum award:**

- # individual applicant project up to \$1,000.

- # collaborative intra-school project up to \$2,000

- # collaborative inter-school and cross curriculum project up to \$3,000.

Individual Applicants: and Collaborative Intra-School Project If applying for funding of an Individual Project or a Collaborative Intra-School Project:

- Clearly define the expected scope and impact of the project. Thoroughly describe the role(s) and contribution(s) of the individual applicant or each member of a collaborative team.
- Maximum Award for an Individual Project is \$1,000.00
- Maximum Award for a Collaborative Intra-School Project is \$2,000.00

Collaborative Inter-School/Cross-Curriculum Group Project Applicants: If applying for funding of a Collaborative Inter-School/Cross Curriculum Group Project:

- Clearly define the expected scope and impact of the project for the District. Collaborative projects must include collaborators from more than one school and more than one town of the ORR District.
- Describe how the proposed work will be a true team effort. Explain how it is a group-driven project and include the roles of each of the collaborators
- Maximum Award for a **Collaborative Inter-School/Cross-Curriculum Project is \$3,000.**

Grant Support for a Component of a Larger Project: If the grant will fund a component of a larger project:

- Briefly describe the larger project and specific funding source(s);
- Describe specific components of the project to be funded with this grant (equipment, materials, expansion of the scope of work, etc.).

All Project Proposals must include:

- **Budget:** Applicants should provide a detailed budget. Budget line items should be consistent with the learning objectives and activities described in the application. Reviewers give special scrutiny to equipment expenditures, so be sure that the equipment is essential for achieving the objectives described in the application.

The Old Rochester Tri-Town Education Foundation invites you to complete the [2024-25 Lighthouse Fund Grant Application](#). The deadline for submission of completed applications is April 26, 2024

If you have questions or would like clarification of any portion of the application, please contact us at ortritowndeducationfoundation@gmail.com

Paula Meere or Barbara Moody, Co-Chairs of the Distribution Committee.