

2018-2019 Classroom Grant Information Sheet

To access the online application, go to: www.surveymonkey/r/ClassroomGrant

Classroom Grant FAQ

1. Who should apply?

Educators who are seeking funds to implement an activity or project in an individual classroom or with a group of students during the 2018-2019 school year.

2. When is the application deadline?

The deadline for submission of the grant application is September 15, 2018 at 11:59 PM.

3. What is the dollar amount available for each grant?

There is no set amount for the grants. Last year the Foundation awarded grants in the following amounts:

under \$250 = 7

\$250-\$500 = 14

\$500-\$1,000 = 14

\$1,000-\$1,500 = 9

Over \$1,500 = 4

4. When will the recipients be notified?

Classroom Grant recipients will be notified and funds distributed in October 2018. All funds awarded should be used within the 2018-2019 school calendar year.

5. What items are excluded from funding?

Funds may be used for any expenses necessary to carry out a project or program **EXCEPT**:

- staff salaries
- merchandise used for incentives, rewards, or motivational purposes
- alternative seating or alternative classroom furniture (no district standard yet in place)
- curriculum, projects, or technology not compatible with, nor supported by the district

6. Will applicants be able to apply for additional grants annually?

Applicants may apply as often as they choose. Selection is not based on who is applying. Priority will be given to new proposals.

7. Who can answer additional questions about the grants?

Contact Foundation Executive Director Chuck Cordt (cordtcha@usd437.net or 339-4061) or Communications Director Martin Weishaar (weishmar@usd437.net or 339-4072).

Grant Application

The purpose of the foundation is to provide an alternative means to enhance, enrich, and expand educational programs for our district youth not otherwise available through normal district funding. Applications will be reviewed by the grant committee of the Auburn-Washburn Public Schools Foundation. Grants selected by this committee will be presented to the Foundation's Board of Directors for approval. The following criteria should be addressed:

Grant Selection Criteria

- Probability of direct, worthwhile impact on students.
- Demonstration of innovation and creativity which provides a learning experience not otherwise available.
- Project's relationship to school/district goals and outcomes.
- Focus on improving the quality of teaching and learning.

Application Guidelines

Applications will consist **only** of the submitted online application. If the funding request is for materials or a device that the general public would not be familiar with, please describe briefly. **NO ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION WILL BE CONSIDERED**. The application must describe the project and include a listing or description of how the money will be used. Applications must include a whole dollar amount requested that covers all costs including shipping. **APPLICATIONS THAT DO NOT INCLUDE A SPECIFIC DOLLAR AMOUNT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED** (modifications can be made after grant is awarded to account for price changes, adjustments, discounts, etc.). Applications will be reviewed by the applicable department or area to insure compatibility with current programs, equipment, etc. Applications submitted after the deadline cannot be considered.