



# Guidelines For Awarding GEF Teaching Grants

*The Grandview Education Foundation awards grants on an annual basis. The number of grants awarded each year will be dependent on available funds.*

## THE OBJECTIVES OF THE FOUNDATION ARE:

- To **stimulate** excellence in the Grandview C-4 School District by helping through special programs and funds
- To **enhance** the learning environment
- To increase the **effectiveness** of instruction
- To help **strengthen ties** between the schools and the community

## PURPOSE:

The Grandview Education Foundation Grant program will provide the opportunity for employees to enhance the educational experience for students in their school. Grants will be awarded to C-4 employees who implement creative and unique ideas for the students that result in increased student achievement, and for proposals that engage students in the learning process.

## THE GRANT SHOULD:

- Enhance** student learning.
- Be an **Innovative** proposal based on sound educational research.
- Impact All** students. (*Building Level Grant only*)
- Go beyond resources** that can be obtained from the district.
- Have an **itemized budget**.

## SELECTION CRITERIA:

- 1)The degree to which the proposal meets one or more of the Foundation's objectives listed above.
- 2)The degree to which the proposal addresses instructional needs of students.
- 3)The degree to which the proposal represents a Creative or Innovative approach to the accomplishment of objectives.
- 4)The degree to which the proposal is clear and logical in the description of instructional procedures, methods, or treatments.
- 5)The degree to which sound evaluation procedures are incorporated in the proposal.

**Recipients will be announced at the beginning of each school year.**

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF GRANT RECIPIENTS:

Use the award for the **purpose indicated**.

Grant recipients must submit a **one-page evaluation within one month after the grant's activities are completed** to the GEF Grants committee explaining the project's level of success. Copies of photos or published articles about the project are appreciated.

Agree to **share successful procedures** in staff development sessions.

## PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY:

- 1) Individuals or teams of individuals, certified or classified, employed by C-4 who are involved in the instruction of students may apply for an Innovative Grant of up to \$250.
- 2) Certified employees may apply for Building Level Grants (up to \$3,000) or Innovative Grants (up to \$1,000).

## RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) Grants may not be used to take classes or pay salaries to other employees, or outside individuals.
- 2) Grants are to be used only for the specific purpose awarded.
- 3) Grant applications should be for projects that can be implemented and completed in the current school year.
- 4) All materials and equipment purchased with grant funds becomes the property of the Grandview C4 School District.

## FUNDING PRIORITIES:

GEF Grants are designed to reward creativity and innovation, as well as to reward employees, who dedicate time and energy to enhance their students' educational experience, and to further inspire such creativity in the school district. A grant may be considered innovative if the following questions can be answered "yes":

- Is it new to me?**
- Will it excite students about learning?**
- Will it improve student achievement?**

Preference will be given to grants that go beyond purchasing additional classroom materials. Additionally, preference will be given to grants that go beyond "one-time events". Use of existing equipment is strongly encouraged.

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## **GRANT AMOUNTS:**

The Foundation awards grants annually based on available funding. The Foundation will offer the availability of three types of Grants:

***Building Level Grant (up to \$3000 and includes all students in the building)***

***Innovative Grant (up to \$1000)***

***Staff Grant up to (\$250)***

## **IMPLEMENTATION DATE:**

All funds must be used during the current school year. Funds will be available September of the current school year.

## **DUE DATE:**

All GEF grant applications must be received by ***midnight June 30 of the current school year***. Applications should be sent electronically to **Kathy Meyers** at the district office.

A hard copy is also requested to be sent at that time:

**13015 10TH STREET  
GRANDVIEW, MO 64030**

## **GRANT APPLICATIONS:**

To apply for any of the grants below, please fill out the appropriate grant application form and submit. For all grants, with exception of the Instagrants, the Grant Application cover sheet must be downloaded, filled out with proper signatures, and sent to leesskathy@aol.com.

**Grant Application Cover Sheet**

**Building Level & Innovative Teaching Grant Application**

**\$250 Staff Grant Application**

**\$100 Staff InstaGrant application**

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