

2025 -2026 District 99 Education Foundation Learning Grant Application

We encourage you to review the Grant Procedures and Guideline Document [Guidelines](#) to understand how they may impact your proposals and planning.

Types Of Grants

As you complete the application keep in mind that the District 99 Education Foundation remains committed to providing seed funding to launch new programs and projects which must be aligned with these goals:

- Enhance engagement within the school community
- Support Social and Emotional Learning, including student clubs
- Drive innovation
- Integrate technology - STEM and STEAM initiatives

Overview:

Grants will be awarded only to staff members of District 99.

Submission Deadlines for the 2024-2025 School Year:

Fall Cycle:

- Submission Deadline: September 30, 2024
- Foundation Approval Date: October 16, 2024
- Implementation Period: During the 2024/25 school year

Spring Cycle:

- Submission Deadline: April 30, 2025
- Foundation Approval Date: May 21, 2025
- Implementation Period: Must be completed by December 2025

Application Procedures:

Before submitting a grant application, staff members are required to consult with their Department Chair and the Principal of their school. It is the responsibility and expectation of the Department Chair and Principal to thoroughly review the proposal. They must ensure that it:

- Aligns with District 99 educational goals
- Meets the objectives of the Learning Grant program
- Cannot be funded by existing school or department budgets

The Department Chair and Principal are expected to conduct a thorough review, possibly requesting additional details to fully understand the project's scope and impact. Their

signatures on the application are mandatory, certifying that the proposal has been rigorously reviewed and approved in accordance with these criteria.

Submission:

After receiving approval, the application must be submitted electronically to Juli Gniadek at jgniadek@csd99.org. Superintendent Hank Thiele will then review the application to ensure it adheres to District 99 policies.

Review Process:

The Learning Grant Committee will review the submitted application.

- Proposals are accessed based on their alignment with learning grants goals: enhancing engagement within the school community, supporting social and emotional learning, driving innovation, and/or integrating technology and the arts.
- Potential to enrich the educational experience of students.
- Sustainability of the project in the future without additional foundation resources.
- Detailed account of expenses.
- Realistic implementation timeline.

Additional Considerations Include:

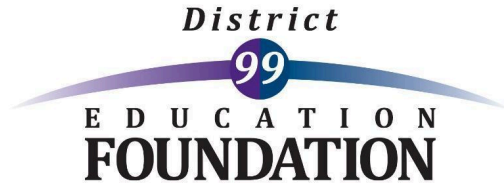
- Has a grant been awarded to a similar project in the past?
- The impact on the student body.

Approval:

Proposals meeting all criteria will be recommended to the Education Foundation Board for final approval.

Post-Implementation Obligations:

Within 30 days of project implementation, recipients are required to submit a detailed impact report, including quantifying or qualifying outcomes, including photos, testimonials, videos, etc. Submit to Donna Dawson at DLDawson15@gmail.com



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Date:	
Applicant Name:	
Applicant Email:	
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Applicant Email:	
School Name:	
Department:	
Project Title:	
Subject Area:	
Expected Implementation Date:	
Foundation Grant Requested: (Not to exceed \$2,000)	\$
Total Project Cost:	\$

Project Details

Provide a summary of the project:

Select which Learning Grant goal this project aligns with:

- ☐ Enhance engagement within the school community
- ☐ Support Social and Emotional Learning, including student clubs
- ☐ Drive innovation
- ☐ Integrate technology - STEM and STEAM initiatives

Describe how the project will enrich the educational experience for students attending District 99 schools:

Share which students will benefit from the grant (including grade level(s), class(es), number of students, etc.):

Provide details on the timeline for implementation, including milestones and deadlines:

Describe how you will measure students' achievement? How will you know you have met your goals?

Share how this project will be funded and sustained in the future:

Expenses

Describe the items needed below, and indicate the funds required for each item in the appropriate column.

Item Description (Include Website link for reference)	Requested from District 99 Education Foundation	Amount from Other Funding Sources (please provide the source)

Total Expenses:	\$	\$
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Required Signatures

The Department Chair and Principal must sign the completed application to indicate the District's review and approval of the project.

	Signatures	Email Address	Date Signed
Applicant			
Applicant			
Department Chair			
Principal			

If this grant proposal involves the purchase of Instructional Technology hardware or software, signatures from your building IT Supervisor and Associate Principal for Operations and Technology are required.

	Signatures	Email Address	Date Signed
IT Supervisor			
AP Operations & Technology			

During this process if you have any questions please contact Grant Chair Donna Dawson at DLDawson15@gmail.com