

Grant Opportunities for K-12 Educators: A Selective Webliography

General:

Bright Ideas Grants

www.ncbrightideas.com

Funding for educators with innovative classroom projects. North Carolina Electric Cooperatives. Up to \$2,000 mini-grants. Deadline: September – October depending on your Cooperative.

Donors Choose

www.donorschoose.org

Teachers in NC can submit ideas for materials or experiences that their students need to learn. Donors from across the nation can elect to meet the needs of worthy projects.

Register at the website and submit your proposal for consideration.

Jordan Fundamentals Grant Program

www.nike.com/jumpman23/features/fundamentals/overview.html

Awarded to public school educators in grades 1 – 12. Fifty percent of the school's student population must be eligible for free and reduced lunch. Applicants must develop an original lesson plan or thematic unit. 400 Innovation grants averaging \$2,500 are awarded each year. Check the website for the application and deadline information.

Target Community Grants

<http://sites.target.com/site/en/corporate/page.jsp?contentId=PRD03-004090>

Target grants focus on three areas: arts, early childhood reading (Pre-School – 3rd grade), and field trips. Grants are for \$2,000 - up. Grant applications are available on the website.

Library Media Center / Literacy Grants

Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants

www.dgliteracy.com/grant-program/youth-grants.aspx

Grants of up to \$3,000 to be used to help students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. Schools must be within 20 miles of a Dollar General store. May deadline.

Ezra Jack Keats Mini-Grants

www.ezra-jack-keats.org/programs/minigrant.html

\$500 mini-grants for school and public libraries. Funding is for projects that instill a love of literature in children, while fostering literacy and creativity.

Improving Literacy through School Libraries Grant

www.ed.gov/programs/lsl/applicant.html

The U.S. Dept. of Education provides school libraries with close to \$20 million to improve student reading skills and academic achievement. Funds can be used to update library collections, expand Internet connections, and purchase new technology. Individual grants range from \$30,000- \$350,000.

Laura Bush Foundation Book Collection Grant

www.laurabushfoundation.org

The Laura Bush Foundation will award grants of amounts up to \$5,000 to school libraries. Funds are to be used to update, extend, and diversify the book collection of those libraries. Any public or private school may apply, but priority for grants will be given to those schools in which 75-100% of the school population receives free or reduced lunch.
laurabushfoundation@cfncr.org.

LSTA School Library Collection Development Grants

<http://statelibrary.dcr.state.nc.us/lsta/lsta.htm>

State Library of North Carolina. Grants provide assistance to school library media centers in building strong curriculum-related print collections. Maximum grant request = \$10,000. 25% matching funds required.

NEA Books across America Library Books Awards Grant

www.neafoundation.org/programs/raa.htm

The National Education Association Foundation, along with Warner Brothers, Inc, will award 36 grants of \$5,000 each to public schools that have at least 40% of their students eligible for the free or reduce-price lunch program. The applicant must be an NEA member.

Read2Succeed Grants

www.ncslma.org/awards/grants.htm

Grants for collaborative literacy projects between a media specialist and a classroom teacher(s). Sponsored by NCSLMA. Ten grants of \$1,000 each will be awarded this year.

We the People Bookshelf Grant for Libraries

www.wethepeople.gov/grants

Sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities in partnership with ALA.

This annual grant project awards sets of 15 classic books for young readers to 1,000 libraries. Libraries interested in receiving the collection are required to develop and host a program to introduce the collection and its theme to students. Check the website for an announcement regarding deadlines and this year's theme.

Math and Science:

Education Enhancement Grants from the North Carolina Biotechnology Center

http://www.ncbiotech.org/grants/education_enhancement/index.html

Education Enhancement Grants assist with the development of activities, programs, resources and personnel necessary to enhance biotechnology education and work force training. The maximum award is \$100,000.

Captain Planet Grants

<http://www.captainplanetfdn.org/grants.html>

Provides funding to support hands-on-environmental projects for children and youth. Generally, the grants range from \$250 - \$2,500.

NC Beautiful Grants

<http://www.ncbeautiful.org/programs/opportunity.html>

All public and private K-12 teachers in North Carolina can apply for \$1,000 grants from NC Beautiful to help teachers develop environmental educational programs.

Science and Math Improvement Grants – Toshiba America Foundation **www.toshiba.com/taf/apply.html**

Funding for classroom teachers to improve science and math education for students in

K-12 schools. Applications have different due dates, depending on the amount requested.

Average grant awarded is \$5,000.

Toyota Tapestry Grant Program

<http://www.nsta.org/pd/tapestry>

Administered by the National Science Teachers Association. Fifty grants of up to \$10,000 each and a minimum of twenty “mini-grants” of up to \$2,500 each. Awarded in three categories: Environmental Science Education, Physical Science Applications, and Literacy and Science Education.

☐ **Social Studies:**

Christa McAuliffe Reach for the Stars Award

<http://www.socialstudies.org/awards/grants/mcauliffe>

The purpose of this \$2,500 grant is to help a social studies educator make his or her dream of innovative social studies a reality. Deadline is May 1.

Doors to Diplomacy

<http://globalschoolhouse.org/doors>

The U.S. Department of State sponsors the “Doors to Diplomacy” educational challenge – to encourage middle school and high school students around the world to produce web projects that teach others about the importance of international affairs and diplomacy. Each student team member of the winning “Doors to Diplomacy” award team receives a \$2,000 scholarship, and the winning coaches’ schools each receive a \$500 cash award.

☐ **Technology:**

Best Buy Teach@15 Awards

https://www.at15.com/contests_scholarships/teach

Awards available for technology grants for grades 7 – 12. Teens nominate their schools and teens cast the votes. Awards available every 15 days – First place - \$1,500, Second place - \$1,000 and 3rd place - \$500.