

## School Grant News

Do you have a favorite **grant-related bookmark** you'd like to share with other teachers? E-mail your suggestions to Blake Burr, [burrbc@scsk12.org](mailto:burrbc@scsk12.org). Here are a few tried-and-true web links:

- <http://www.techlearning.com/grants/0025/k12-education-grants-for-2017/70650>
- <http://www.grantsforteachers.net>
- <http://www.edutopia.org/grants-and-resources>
- <http://getedfunding.com>

Congratulations to **RiverFest Special Resources Fund recipients**:

<http://files.constantcontact.com/9720dd27501/2d8d84da-41f3-428c-96af-8e02061dd660.pdf>

The National Civil Rights Museum urges schools to join the **Affiliate School Program** to become eligible for special offers including special summer professional development opportunities:

- <https://www.gilderlehrman.org/programs-exhibitions/affiliate-school-program>

The **AgriCenter** offers "bus scholarships" to reimburse schools for bus transportation to one of the AgriCenter's education programs:

- <http://www.agricenter.org/bus/>

The **Botanic Gardens** has opened its Big Bugs exhibit. Through a generous sponsorship from Terminix, International Paper, and Speer Charitable Trust the Botanic Gardens are happy to be able to offer a limited number of scholarships for schools that might not otherwise be able to attend:

- <https://www.memphisbotanicgarden.com/big-bugs-scholarships>

**Brooks Museum** offers free school tours and other special teacher programming:

- <http://www.brooksmuseum.org/teacher-information>

**Dixon Gallery and Gardens** also offers "bus scholarships":

- <https://www.dixon.org/scholarshipbusfunding>

**Memphis Cotton Museum** field trip grants cover the cost of admission:

- <http://memphiscottonmuseum.org/education/grant-opportunities/apply-educational-tour-grant/>

The **Pink Palace Family of Museums** offers a suitcase exhibit program at no cost to local teachers:

- <http://www.memphismuseums.org/pink-palace-museum/programs/suitcase-exhibits/>

Looking for a great link to support your search for **environmental education** funding? This Tennessee web site is well maintained: <http://eeintennessee.org/>

Are you and your students part of the **maker movement**? If so, this resource may be right for you:

<https://www.sparkfun.com/pages/sponsorships>

The **Kitchen Community** is accepting applications for school garden installations. Marie Dennan, Regional Program Director can be reached at 901-361-5852 or [marie@thekitchencommunity.org](mailto:marie@thekitchencommunity.org):

<https://thekitchencommunity.org/apply/>

If you have received a grant and would like to share your success, please contact Blake Burr, [burrbc@scsk12.org](mailto:burrbc@scsk12.org). We'll profile you in the next newsletter.

## School Grant Opportunities

Looking for a grant opportunity to bring new resources into your classroom or school community? Here are several upcoming application opportunities.

### Freedom Foundation Graduate Class Scholarships

<http://www.freedomsfoundation.org/Graduate-Classes>

Scholarships for on-campus graduate class programs in social studies topics are valued at \$1,400 per teacher, while traveling workshop programs are valued at \$1,550 per teacher. They are available on a first-come first-serve basis.

**Opening October 1, 2017.**

### National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Grants

<http://www.nctm.org/Grants/>

Numerous Mathematics Education Trust (MET) grant programs have a November 3 deadline. Deadline: **November 3, 2017.**

### Nature Conservancy Nature Works Everywhere Garden Grants

<https://www.natureworkseverywhere.org/grants/>

The Nature Conservancy is working to promote environmental education through the creation of Nature Works Everywhere gardens. Grants (up to \$2,000) will be awarded to support the building, amendment, or revitalization of gardens on school campuses, with preference given to rain, pollinator, native habitat, and other natural infrastructure projects. Food gardens will also be funded. Deadline: **November 3, 2017.**

### Samsung's Solve for Tomorrow

<http://www.samsung.com/us/solvefortomorrow/index.html>

This contest for all teachers (not just STEM) in Grades 6-12 includes a competition for students to build leadership skills, apply their knowledge of STEAM, and make an impact on their community while competing to win technology for their school. All 255 teams that advance to state finals will receive a Samsung Galaxy Tab. All 51 winning teams will receive \$25,000 in Samsung technology for their schools. All 10 national finalist teams get \$50,000 in Samsung technology for their school. Plus, all teams get to attend the Pitch Event to present their working prototypes to our panel of judges. Each national winner team gets \$150,000 in Samsung technology. The Community Choice winner gets an additional \$20,000 in Samsung technology for their school. Deadline: **November 9, 2017.**

### America Walks Community Change Micro Grants

<http://americawalks.org/2017-community-change-micro-grants-open/>

America Walks is excited to extend another round of community change micro grants to individuals and communities interested in improving the public sphere for walking or otherwise helping to make walking more commonplace. This program awards up to \$1,500 to fund or help to catalyze smaller-scale, low-cost projects and programs that increase the prevalence of walking, expand the diversity of people and organizations working to advance walkability, and help to make walking safer, easier, and more fun for all community members. Deadline: **November 10, 2017.**

### Annie's Homegrown

<http://www.annies.com/giving-back/grants-for-gardens>

Annie's Homegrown offers grants (up to \$5,000) to school gardens for educational programs that connect children directly to gardening. The school garden must be an edible school garden (growing fruits, vegetables, herbs, grains, etc) and be located in the USA. Schools can purchase any equipment appropriate for the garden with the grant funds, such as plants, seeds, raised beds, fencing, wheelbarrows, greenhouses, and drip irrigation systems. Deadline: **November 11, 2017.**

### Maureen Hayes Award

<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/profawards/hayesaward>

The Maureen Hayes Award supports a visit by a nationally recognized children's book author or illustrator to a community, with emphasis on providing opportunities for children and youth for whom a visit with an author/illustrator

is a first-time experience. The \$4,000 cash award may be used only to cover the author/illustrator's honorarium and travel expenses to and from the host community. To be eligible to apply for the award, applicants must be personal members of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) as well as the American Library Association (ALA). Elementary school libraries are among past recipients. Deadline: **November 15, 2017.**

#### **Whole Kids Foundation U.S. School Gardens Grants**

<https://www.wholekidsfoundation.org/schools/programs/school-garden-grant-program>

To be eligible for a garden grant up to \$2,000, applicants must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization or nonprofit K-12 school that is developing or currently maintaining a school garden project that will help children engage with fresh fruits and vegetables. Garden projects may be at any stage of development; planning, construction or operation. Deadline: **November 15, 2017.**

#### **Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship Program**

<http://science.energy.gov/wdts/einstein/>

The Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship (AEF) Program provides a unique opportunity for accomplished K-12 educators in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) to serve in the national education arena. Fellows spend eleven months working in Federal agencies or in U.S. Congressional offices, applying their extensive knowledge and classroom experiences to national education program and/or education policy efforts. Deadline: **November 16, 2017.**

#### **McGraw Prize in Education**

<https://www.mcgrawprize.com/>

Do you know an innovative educator who has dedicated his or her life to improving education? An innovator whose contributions make an impact in classrooms today? Nominations are now open for the McGraw Prize in Education, a national award competition that honors innovators who "unleash human potential through technology, methodology and leadership." Winners receive a \$50,000 prize and a bronze sculpture. Deadline: **November 17, 2017.**

#### **Recycling Bin Grants**

<https://www.kab.org/coca-cola-recycling-grant>

Do you need recycling bins for your local park, school, office or special event? This program, sponsored by The Coca-Cola Company and Keep America Beautiful, supports local community recycling programs by providing bins for the collection of recyclables in public settings. Grant recipients receive actual recycling bins, not funding. Deadline: **November 17, 2017.**

#### **Shade Structure Grant Program**

<https://www.aad.org/public/spot-skin-cancer/programs/shade-structure-program>

The American Academy of Dermatology's (AAD) Shade Structure Grant Program awards grants to public schools and non-profit organizations for installing permanent shade structures for outdoor locations that are not protected from the sun, such as playgrounds, pools, or recreation spaces. Each Shade Structure Grant is valued up to \$8,000, which includes the cost for a shade structure and installation. Grahamwood Elementary is a prior recipient. Deadline: **November 17, 2017.**

#### **Knowles Science Teaching Foundation Fellowships**

<http://kstf.org/fellowships/>

Valued up to \$175,000 and renewable for up to five years, the highly competitive Fellowships are awarded to new teachers committed to teaching STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) in high schools nationwide. KSTF offers its Fellows professional workshops, materials grants and access to a teacher-to-teacher mentoring network. Deadline: **November 26, 2017.**

#### **NOAA Teacher at Sea Program**

[http://teacheratsea.noaa.gov/#/how\\_to\\_apply/Call\\_for\\_Applications](http://teacheratsea.noaa.gov/#/how_to_apply/Call_for_Applications)

NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program, a program of the U.S. federal government for PreK-12 teachers, focuses on fisheries research cruises, oceanographic research cruises, and hydrographic survey cruises. The program pays for all necessary

travel costs, including transportation to and from the ship, lodging, and travel per diem allowance. Participants' airfare is purchased directly by the program. All other costs are reimbursed to the participants after travel ends. Participants can expect to be at sea anywhere from two weeks to one month, with the average cruise lasting 12-14 days. Most of our participants sail on cruises offered during the summer vacation, but cruises take place throughout most of the year on a space-available basis. Deadline: **November 30, 2017**.

#### **High School Physics Teacher Grant**

<http://www.aapt.org/programs/grants/hsgrant.cfm>

AAPT members can apply for grants between \$100 to \$500 to experiment and improve on their teaching practices. Deadline: **December 1, 2017**.

#### **Safer® School Garden Grant**

<http://www.saferbrand.com/blog/how-to-start-a-school-garden/>

This \$500 grant is intended to help kids build healthy habits through gardening. Deadline: **December 1, 2017**.

#### **Youth Garden Grant**

<https://kidsgardening.org/2018-youth-garden-grant/>

The Youth Garden Grant is designed to support school and youth educational garden projects that enhance the quality of life for students and their communities. Any nonprofit organization, public or private school, or youth program in the U.S. planning a new garden program or expanding an established one that serves at least 15 youth between the ages of three and 18 is eligible to apply. The selection of winners is based on demonstrated program impact and sustainability. The top five programs will each receive an award package of a \$1,000 cash prize, \$100 Gardener's Supply Company Gift Certificate, and a variety of gardening tools and supplies. Deadline: **December 8, 2017**.

#### **Technology Teacher Grant**

<https://fios.verizon.com/beacon/technology-teacher-grant/>

Share your tech-focused lesson plan with us, and you could win up to \$1,000 for classroom supplies, educational subscriptions and apps for your students. Deadline: **December 9, 2017**.

#### **Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching**

<https://www.fulbrightteacherexchange.org/application>

The Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching (DA) Program provides funding for highly accomplished U.S. primary and secondary level educators to take part in an intensive professional development program for three to six months abroad. The Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and is administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE). Deadline: **December 13, 2017**.

#### **Colonial Williamsburg Teacher Institute Scholarships**

<http://www.history.org/History/teaching/TIScholarships.cfm>

During six-day sessions on location in Colonial Williamsburg and the surrounding area, 25 participants and a Master Teacher engage in an interdisciplinary approach to teaching social studies with American history as the focus. Teachers have the opportunity to exchange ideas with historians, meet character interpreters, participate in simulations, and become part of the story. Throughout each day, teachers work collaboratively with Colonial Williamsburg staff and a Master Teacher to examine interactive teaching techniques and develop instructional materials that bring history to life in the classroom. Each teacher scholarship covers admission to all program activities; room (double occupancy) and all meals except two evenings on your own; \$100 Colonial Williamsburg gift card for educational materials; and teacher resource materials. Most scholarships include full air transportation to Williamsburg. Travel arrangements will be confirmed at the time of scholarship acceptance. Jean Murchison of Raleigh-Bartlett Meadows Elementary is a past scholarship recipient. Deadline: **December 15, 2017**.

#### **National Science Teacher Association Awards**

<http://www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx>

Nineteen separate award programs are available. Deadline: **December 15, 2017**.

### Shell Science Lab Challenge

<http://www.nsta.org/shellsciencelab/>

Shell and the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) have partnered to recognize outstanding middle and high school programs for their exemplary approaches to science lab instruction utilizing limited school and laboratory resources. The Shell Science Lab Challenge will showcase the work of teachers in Grades 6-12, representing their schools, who submit innovative, replicable strategies to deliver quality lab experiences with limited equipment/resources, and award teachers/schools with additional tools, resources, and rich professional development opportunities needed to support high-quality science teaching and strengthen their existing capabilities. Awards range from \$3,000 to \$20,000 in value. Deadline: **December 15, 2017**.

### The Kennedy Center/Stephen Sondheim Inspirational Teacher Awards

<http://education.kennedy-center.org/education/sondheim/>

To celebrate the significant role of teachers in society, The Kennedy Center/Stephen Sondheim Inspirational Teacher Awards (\$10,000) spotlight some of the country's most inspirational teachers and recognize them for their contributions. Nominators must be former students who are 18 years or older and who no longer attend the teacher's school. Deadline: **December 31, 2017**.

### EarthWatch Teach Earth Teacher Fellowships

<http://earthwatch.org/education/teacher-fellowships/teach-earth-united-states>

Earthwatch receives between 200-300 Teach Earth USA Fellowship applications each year for about 50 fellowships. An awarded fellowship would cover the full cost of your assigned summer expedition, including meals, accommodations, and on-site transportation. Educator fellowships also provide a travel award to offset out-of-pocket travel expenses to and from the expedition site. Deadline: **January 8, 2018**.

### Roller Skating Foundation Grants

<http://www.rollerskating.com/pages/grants/70>

The Roller Skating Foundation makes grants, ranging from \$250 and up, to schools, educators and volunteers to accomplish educational objectives and fitness-related goals. Priority will be given to projects directed towards roller skating, including field trips to roller skating centers, as well as innovative projects designed to improve physical fitness or education. Deadline: **January 10, 2018**.

### ILA Grants

<http://www.literacyworldwide.org/about-us/awards-grants>

The International Literacy Association (formerly the International Reading Association) offers several grant opportunities for teachers who are ILA members – for example, the Regie Routman Teacher Recognition Grant (\$2,500 for teachers in Grades 5-12), the Teacher as Researcher Award (\$5,000) and the Technology & Literacy Award. Deadlines: **January 15, 2018**.

### Ocean Exploration Trust Fellowships

<http://www.oceanexplorationtrust.org/communication-fellowship>

The Ocean Exploration Trust's Science Communication Fellowship Program immerses formal and non-formal educators in the Nautilus Corps of Exploration and empowers them to bring ocean exploration - specifically in the STEM fields - to a global audience via the Nautilus Live website. Deadline: **January 15, 2018**.

### Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots Mini-Grants

<http://rootsandshoots.org/minigrant>

Schools or classes can receive \$500 mini-grants to design a community mapping project that leads to a community service project. Deadlines: **January 22, 2018, and March 19, 2018**.

### Captain Planet Foundation

<http://www.captainplanetfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/>

Captain Planet Foundation will accept small grant requests for amounts between \$500 – \$2,500. Preferential consideration is given to requests who have secured at least 50% matching or in-kind funding for their projects. Proposed projects must support project-based learning performed by youth to bring about real environmental outcomes. Deadline: **January 31, 2018.**

#### **Fund for Teachers**

[http://fft.fundforteachers.org/applications/guideline/program\\_id:183/step:overview](http://fft.fundforteachers.org/applications/guideline/program_id:183/step:overview)

Individuals with at least three years' classroom teaching experience may apply for up to \$5,000 and teams may apply for up to \$10,000. FFT grants are used for an unlimited variety of projects; all designed to create enhanced learning environments for teachers, their students and their school communities. Non-allowable expenses include student travel, college credit, onsite PD, compensation for substitutes or stipends, and guest presentations. Raleigh Bartlett-Meadows is a past recipient. Deadline: **January 31, 2018.**

#### **Goethe Institute Transatlantic Opportunity Program**

<https://www.goethe.de/ins/us/en/spr/eng/top/tte/tst.html>

Eligible applicants are social studies and/or STEM classroom teachers (grades K-12), curriculum coordinators, and principals. Study tours are two weeks in length and take place during the summer months. Most expenses are covered. Deadline: **January 31, 2018.**

#### **Herb Society of America**

<http://www.herbsociety.org/support/grants-scholarships/grant-details.html#grantforresearch>

The Herb Society of America, Inc. (HSA) offers annual research grants (up to \$5,000) to students, professionals, and individuals engaged in research on the horticultural, scientific, and/or social applications or use of herbs throughout history, based upon the HSA definition of an herb. The defining characteristic for herbs is their usefulness, past or present, including their value for flavoring, medicine, ornament, economic, industrial, or cosmetic purposes. The HSA Research Grant is intended to support small, self-contained research projects that can be carried out in a short period of time. Deadline: **January 31, 2018.**

#### **2018 Amazon Workshops/EcoTeach Scholarships for K-12 Educators**

<http://amazonworkshops.com/scholarships-funding/>

Three \$1,100 scholarships will be awarded to the Educator Academy in the Amazon. Applicants must demonstrate a strong commitment to bringing the Amazon experience back to their classrooms and communities in very tangible ways and sharing their experience with future academy participants. Deadline: **February 1, 2018.**

#### **Vernier Software & Technology Grant for HS/AP Science Educators**

<http://amazonworkshops.com/scholarships-funding/>

Vernier Software and Technology is providing a \$1500 grant for a HS/AP science teacher to join the 2018 Educator Academy in the Amazon. HS/AP science educator applicants must demonstrate a strong commitment to bringing the Amazon experience and Vernier Software & Technology data collection back to their classroom in very tangible ways and sharing their experience with future academy participants and the Vernier Software & Technology network. Deadline: **February 1, 2018.**

#### **Air Force Junior ROTC Grants**

<https://www.afa.org/informationfor/teachers/k12grants/airforcejuniorrotcgrant>

The Air Force Junior ROTC Grant was established to promote aerospace education throughout classrooms and units. The goal of this opportunity is to enhance your students' ideas on how aerospace plays a prominent role in today's and tomorrow's society. Applications will be judged by the importance and the impact your selected aerospace activity will have on your students. This is an opportunity to heighten your students' interest in aerospace education activities. Funds may be used for any aerospace education related activity from purchasing textbooks or videotapes, to going on a field trip to an aerospace museum, Air Force base or other aerospace facility. You may not use the grant for purchasing uniforms, honor guard or color guard activities, etc. AFJROTC grants provide units and classrooms with up to \$250 every other academic year. Deadline: **February 10, 2017.**

### **Humane Society of the United States Foundation National Kind Teacher Award**

[http://www.humanesociety.org/parents\\_educators/award/national\\_kind\\_teacher\\_award.html](http://www.humanesociety.org/parents_educators/award/national_kind_teacher_award.html)

Each year since 1981, Humane Society of the United States Foundation have recognized an outstanding teacher who consistently incorporates humane education into his or her curriculum and/or motivates students to get involved in community service for animals. If selected as National Kind Teacher, you or your nominee will receive a framed certificate and a scholarship to Humane Society University's Certified Humane Education Specialist program. Deadline: **February 15, 2018.**

### **Association of American Educators Classroom Grants**

<http://www.aetteachers.org/index.php/classroom-grant-application>

Classroom grants are available to all full-time educators who have not received a scholarship or grant from AAE in the past two years. Awards are competitive. AAE members receive additional weight in the scoring rubric. Classroom grants (\$500) can be used for a variety of projects and materials, including but not limited to books, software, calculators, math manipulatives, art supplies, audio-visual equipment, and lab materials. Funds must be used within one year of the application deadline. Deadline: **March 1, 2018.**

### **Association of American Educators Foundation Teacher Scholarships**

<http://www.aetteachers.org/index.php/teacher-scholarship-application>

Teacher scholarships (\$500) can be used for a wide variety of professional development opportunities and materials. These include conferences, inservices, and materials for PLCs. The scholarship will cover all associated costs with attending these events or obtaining these materials. Teacher scholarships do not cover classes or materials in pursuit of a graduate degree. Awards are competitive. AAE members receive additional weight in the scoring rubric. Deadline: **March 1, 2018.**

### **CAP (Civil Air Patrol) Grants for Educators**

[http://ae.capmembers.com/for\\_educators/educator-grants--scholarship-information/](http://ae.capmembers.com/for_educators/educator-grants--scholarship-information/)

Grants of \$250 must be used for aerospace education-related items/activities such as books, materials, equipment, videotapes, aerospace-oriented field trips, and aerospace education events for youth in schools and/or community organizations and/or events. Applicants must be CAP members. Deadline: **March 31, 2018.**

### **Ezra Jack Keats Foundation Minigrants**

<http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/section/ezra-jack-keats-mini-grant-program-for-public-libraries-public-schools/>

The Ezra Jack Keats Foundation Minigrants awards of \$500 are given to public schools and public libraries for projects that foster creative expression, working together and interaction with a diverse community. This year, on Keats' 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, all submissions should have a Keats theme. Head Start teachers are eligible applicants. Ridgeway Early Learning Center is a past recipient of a grant. Jill Waltz's project at Geeter Middle is one of the featured projects on the web site: <http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/great-mini-grant-programs/african-american-shadow-plays/> . Deadline: **March 31, 2018.**

### **Voya Unsung Heroes**

<http://corporate.voya.com/corporate-responsibility/community-investment/childrens-education/voya-unsung-heroes>

Applicants to the Voya Unsung Heroes Awards Program must be full-time educators, teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, or classified staff with effective and innovative projects that improve student learning. Each of the 100 finalists will receive an award of \$2,000. At least one award will be granted in each of the 50 United States, provided one or more qualified applications are received from each state. Of the 100 finalists, three will be selected for additional financial awards. First place will receive a bonus of \$25,000; second place will receive a bonus of \$10,000, and the third place winner will receive a bonus of \$5,000. The most recent SCS awardees were Jo Ann Matthews and Frankie Bunner of Douglas K-8 who received funding for their "By the Book" project. Deadline: **April 30, 2018.**

### **Toshiba America Foundation**

<http://www.toshiba.com/taf/about.jsp>

TAF offers grants of up to \$1,000 for K-6 teachers, in public or private schools, for the creation of projects designed to improve instruction for students in grades 7-12. The Foundation strongly encourages projects planned and led by individual teachers or teams of teachers for their own classrooms. Toshiba America Foundation believes science and

mathematics are exciting fields in which all students can succeed with the proper tools and instruction. TAF uses two application forms: An elementary school application (Grades K-5) and a middle and high school application (Grades 6-12). Grade K-5 applications are accepted once a year on October 1st. Grade 6-12 applications for \$5,000 or less are accepted on a rolling basis, throughout the calendar year. Grant requests of more than \$5,000 are reviewed twice a year. Applications for grants of more than \$5,000 are due February 1st and August 1st each year. **Multiple deadlines.**

#### **4imprint One-by-One**

<http://onebyone.4imprint.com/default.aspx>

Each business day 4imprint gives a worthy organization \$500 in promotional products to spread the word, recruit volunteers, thank donors, offer comfort to someone in need, or in some other way turn one thing into something much more. Schools are eligible applicants. **No set deadline.**

#### **Adobe Ed Exchange Connect ED Donations**

<http://edex.adobe.com/connected>

Adobe has committed over \$300 million in software and professional development services to the White House's ConnectED initiative. As part of this \$2 billion+ effort from the private sector, Adobe will deliver creative tools and teacher professional development to schools across the United States—all with the goal of helping youth express their creativity and build their skills for future success. **No set deadline.**

#### **Ancestry K-12 Grants**

<http://ancestryk12.com/k12/GrantProgram/>

AncestryK12 is pleased to offer grants providing one year of access to Ancestry Institution (U.S. content), Fold3, and Newspapers.com to selected classrooms and schools. Teachers, school administrators, and district officials may apply to receive access to these services for an entire year (with the ability to renew upon request). **No set deadline.**

#### **Awesome Foods Mini-Grants**

<http://www.awesomefood.net/>

Awesome Food, a chapter of the worldwide Awesome Foundation, is accepting grant applications to further food awesomeness in the universe. Each month, Awesome Food will give one applicant \$1,000 to help pull off an awesome idea involving food. The ideas must relate to food in some form, and the definition will be more inclusive than exclusive. Examples could include educating the public about DIY-farming, creating an ad-hoc eatery in a subway car, or recording videos of immigrants' recipes. Anyone is eligible to apply: for profit, nonprofit, individuals, companies, schools, adults and children. The \$1,000 grants are not loans or investments. They are not expected to be paid back. They are no-strings attached grants. Applications are reviewed as they are received. One grant is awarded each month. Deadline: **Rolling.**

#### **Batters Up USA® Equipment Grants**

<http://www.battersupusa.org/Equipment.html>

Batters Up USA® provides free baseball/softball equipment, primarily bats, balls, tee ball sets, helmets, catcher's gear, and bases to local organizations to support the start-up of new programs or to assist existing programs to grow. We serve boys and girls recreational programs up to age 13. Priority is given to those programs serving a high percentage of youth in need such as inner-city and after-school programs. **No set deadline.**

#### **Civil War Trust Field Trip Fund**

<https://www.civilwar.org/learn/educators/resources/field-trip-fund>

Grants of up to \$1,500 are available to fund Civil War related field trips. Past grants have supported nearby field trips to the Civil Rights Museum, Corinth, MS, and Shiloh, TN. **No set deadline.**

#### **Fender Music Foundation Grants**

<http://www.fendermusicfoundation.org/grants/grants-info/>

Grants support music instruction. The foundation is currently awarding acoustic guitars, electric guitars, acoustic-electric guitars, bass guitars and the equipment necessary to play these instruments. However, other traditional music instruments (string, woodwind, brass, percussion, keyboards) are sometimes available. **No set deadline.**

### **Good Sports Equipment Grants**

<http://www.goodsports.org/equipment/apply/>

An administrative fee of 10% of the equipment's retail value must be paid after an application has been approved. This fee helps to defray the shipping, handling, and administrative costs of making the equipment donation. Schools can only apply for more than one sport if the programming rotates through multiple sports/activities, such as a physical education class. Those organizations should apply under the sport "General Recreation." Schools with multiple teams should submit one application for the sport with the greatest need. Deadline: **Rolling (at least eight weeks prior to the sports season's start)**.

### **Pets in the Classroom**

<http://www.petsintheclassroom.org/teachers/>

The Pet Care Trust awards Pets in the Classroom Grants to PreK-6 teachers who wish to teach children how to care for pets. Only one grant award per school per year will be made. Teachers may apply only once a year. **No set deadline.**

### **Stepping Stone Grants**

<http://lilysarahgrace.org/grants>

Stepping Stone Grants are funded on a rolling application basis, typically twice a month. Stepping Stone Grants (up to \$450) are for teachers in Grades K-5 who want to use Arts Infused Inquiry Based Learning to teach. Deadline: **Rolling**.

### **Teaching Tolerance Educator Grants**

<https://www.tolerance.org/about/educator-grant-guidelines>

Teaching Tolerance Educator Grants, ranging from \$500-\$10,000, support school-level, classroom-level, and district-level projects that promote affirming school climates and educate youth to thrive in a diverse democracy. At the school and district levels, leadership teams use the grants to improve school climate, reduce hate, support culturally responsive practices and implement anti-bias curricula. At the classroom level, teachers use the grants to fund programming that promotes empathy and kindness, positive identity development, perspective taking, critical thinking about injustice and collective action. Deadline: **Rolling**.

### **USA Today**

<http://usatodayeducation.com/k12/usa-today-education-grant-request>

USA TODAY Charitable Foundation and its Education Partners are looking for educators that would like to receive access to the USA TODAY Electronic Edition (digital) at no cost. This includes usernames and passwords for you and your students and is available now until July 2016. Terms for receiving a grant: Returning a Confirmation Delivery Form at the end of the school year is a requirement of receiving a grant. **No set deadline.**

## Opportunities for Students

### U.S. Presidential Scholars Program

[https://stateoftennessee.formstack.com/forms/cte\\_us\\_presidential\\_scholars](https://stateoftennessee.formstack.com/forms/cte_us_presidential_scholars)

Each Tennessee high school can nominate a maximum of two seniors to be considered as state finalists for the U.S. Presidential Scholars program. One senior may be nominated from each school for the general academic component of the program, and one senior may be nominated for the CTE component of the program. Deadline: **November 15, 2017.**

### SYTA Youth Foundation Road Scholarship

<http://sytayouthfoundation.org/road-scholarship>

The SYTA Youth Foundation established the Road Scholarship program in 2002 to award funds to youth who, for various reasons, are unable to afford the cost of their group's travel. Based on the belief that travel is essential to a complete education, it is the SYTA Youth Foundation's goal to make a positive difference, through travel, in the young lives of our global citizens. Since its inception, the SYTA Youth Foundation has awarded over a thousand scholarships to deserving youth. Scholarships are awarded based on the applicant's circumstances and need as documented in the completed application form. The scholarship amount varies on a case-by-case basis, depending on the cost of specific trips, the demonstrated need of the applicant, and the number of applicants in a given application period. The average Road Scholarship granted is \$750. No more than \$1,000 will be awarded to a single student. Deadlines: **November 17, 2017, and March 16, 2018.**

### Governor's School Applications

<https://www.tn.gov/education/topic/tdoe-governors-schools>

The Tennessee Governor's Schools initiative includes 11 distinct summer programs for rising 11th and 12th grade students. Students must be nominated by a high school teacher, school counselor, or other faculty member. Deadline: **December 1, 2017.**

### Generation Beyond Video Challenge

<https://www.generationbeyonddinschool.com/challenge>

This challenge from Lockheed Martin and Discovery Education asks individuals or teams of middle school students to create 1-2 minute videos explaining how they would design a living module on Mars. Accompanying curriculum and lesson plans are available online, as well as FAQs, competition rules, and other information. One grand prize winning team or individual will win a \$10,000 prize. Second place receives \$5,000, and third place receives \$2,500. Deadline: **December 14, 2017.**

### Angela Award

<http://www.nsta.org/docs/awards/Angela.pdf>

This award honors one female student in grades 5–8, who is involved in or has a strong connection to science. The award has been established in honor of Gerry Wheeler, Executive Director Emeritus, and his outstanding dedication to NSTA and lifelong commitment to science education. The award is a \$1,000 US EE Savings Bond. The awardee will be honored at the Teacher Awards Banquet at NSTA's National Conference. Deadline: **December 15, 2017.**

### Apprentice Ecologist Scholarships

[http://www.wildernessproject.org/volunteer\\_apprentice\\_ecologist.php](http://www.wildernessproject.org/volunteer_apprentice_ecologist.php)

The Apprentice Ecologist Initiative seeks to engage middle and high school students in environmental stewardship projects. Students ages 13-21 are invited to conduct a local environmental stewardship project, take digital photos of the project in action, and write an essay about the project and what it meant to them. Three scholarships totaling \$1,750 will be awarded to the authors of the top three essays. School and community groups, especially those working with at-risk and disadvantaged youth, are highly encouraged to participate. Deadline: **December 31, 2017.**

### Karma for Cara Microgrants

<http://karmaforcara.org/get-involved/apply-for-a-microgrant/>

Know a student who's looking to get a volunteerism project off the ground? The Karma for Cara Foundation can help. Launched in 2014, the foundation's minigrant program offers small, one-time grants to students to help jump-start or

sustain community service projects. A range of projects qualify for funding (\$250 to \$1,000), including examples like rebuilding a school playground, or helping senior citizens prepare their homes for winter. Deadlines: **January 1, 2018, April 1, 2018, July 1, 2018, and October 1, 2018.**

#### **Everyday Young Heroes**

<http://ysa.org/awards/eyh/>

Everyday Young Heroes are young people, ages 5-25, who are improving their communities through service to others and making significant progress in achieving the UN's [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs). Each week, the YSA Team selects one young person to receive this honor and receive a \$250 grant. **Rolling.**

#### **WaysToHelp.org Grants**

<http://waystohelp.org/grants.php>

WaysToHelp.org invites teens in the United States to apply for grants to fund their community service ideas across any one of 16 issue areas. Applications are short - just 5,000 characters or less - and should summarize: how the project will involve others, who it will help, what effect it's expected to have, when it will start and how the funds will be used. Grant requests are reviewed and responded to on a monthly basis. **No set deadline.**

#### **Write the World**

[https://writetheworld.com/for\\_young\\_writers#competitions\\_anchor](https://writetheworld.com/for_young_writers#competitions_anchor)

Encourage your grades 7–8 students to write pieces in a wide variety of genres, from songwriting and flash fiction to mystery writing and sports journalism. Write the World holds monthly competitions for budding writers. Participants can enter for a chance to win up to \$100, inclusion on the program blog, and feedback from a team of writing experts. **Rolling.**