

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Bloomfield Educational Foundation to enhance the quality of education and educational opportunities. Its purpose is to generate and distribute financial aid for the benefit of the students of the Bloomfield School District for enrichment programs, continuing education, and other worthwhile projects.

Mini-Grant Program

The Mini-Grant Program funds projects proposed by Bloomfield faculty and staff that fulfill a variety of needs for students and teachers and provide a learning opportunity beyond the core curriculum. Mini-Grants are offered for programs with budgets up to \$500.

Extraordinary Grant Program

Extraordinary Grants are offered for programs with budgets above \$500.

Who May Apply

Faculty and staff of the Bloomfield School District are eligible to apply for grants. Funding may be requested for partnerships with appropriate outside organizations but the applicant must be within the school system.

What Projects Are Eligible

- Those which fulfill the BEF mission and are innovative in nature.
- Technology, fine and performing arts, professional development, cultural enrichment and continuing education.
- Those which have potential for replication or dissemination among teachers and other schools.
- Those projects outside the normal budget or planning considerations.

Funding Policy

- At the conclusion of the project, grant recipients are required to submit a report describing the project results to the Foundation. At that time, the Foundation will issue a reimbursement payment for expenses agreed to in the grant award letter, as stated in the grant application.
- Grant money awarded in April must be spent by the end of the fall term. Grant money awarded in October must be spent by the end of the spring term. The Grant Evaluation Form must be submitted 30 days after completion of program.
- Equipment purchased through this grant becomes the property of the school for which the applicant works at the time of the grant application.
- Grant requests may be partially or wholly funded.
- Generally, funding is not provided for: food to be served during the project unless directly related to the project; substitute teachers; and capital items.
- Funding for repeat grants will be considered on an individual basis.

How To Apply

Grant applications must be received by the first Monday in October for fall submission and the first Monday in April for spring submission. To expedite approval of an application, include all of the requested information. This application is available for download at our website: bloomfieldeducationalfoundation.org. Upon receipt of completed application an e-mail acknowledgement will be sent to the applicant.

Mail applications to:

Bloomfield Educational Foundation, c/o Office of Curriculum and Instruction, Bloomfield Public Schools, Administration Building, 155 Broad Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003.

Questions

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