# **Grant Opportunities in 2016**

(Click foundation title to see foundation's web site)

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# January

# ACM/CSTA Cutler Bell Prize for High School Computing

The ACM/CSTA Cutler-Bell Prize in High School Computing recognizes talented high school students in computer science. The intent of the program is to promote and encourage the field of computer science, as well as to empower young and aspiring learners to pursue computing challenges outside of the traditional classroom environment. The Challenge will focus on developing an artifact that engages modern computing technology and computer science. Judges will be looking for submissions that demonstrate ingenuity, complexity, relevancy, originality, and a desire to further computer science as a discipline. Four (4) winners will each be awarded a \$10,000 prize and a trip to the ACM/CSTA Cutler-Bell Prize in High School Computing Reception in February 2016 (location TBD).

Application Deadline: January 1, 2016

# American Geological Institute Edward C. Roy, Jr. Award

The award is designed to recognize one K-8 teacher for his or her leadership and innovation in Earth science education. The award includes a \$2,500.00 prize for the winning teacher and a grant of up to \$1,000.00 to enable the recipient to attend the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) Annual Conference to accept the award. The winning teacher and his or her school each will receive a plaque of recognition. To be eligible for the 2015 competition, applications must be postmarked by January 20, 2016. Please see the web site http://www.agiweb.org/education/awards/ed-roy/ for complete details.

Application Deadline: January 20, 2016

# 2016 International Reading Assoc. Teacher Recognition Grant

The International Reading Association Reading Association will honor an outstanding mainstream, elementary classroom teacher dedicated to improving the teaching and learning of reading and writing across the curriculum in real world contexts in grades K-6. The \$2,500 grant may not be used for purchase of commercial programs. The grant is supported by Regie Routman. All applicants must be IRA members, and at least 60% of the school's students must be eligible for free or reduced lunch.

Application Deadline: January 16, 2016

# American Association of University Women Educational Foundation - Community Action Grants

Community Action Grants provide seed money for innovative programs or non-degree research projects that promote education and equity for women and girls. Individual women, AAUW branches, AAUW state organizations, and community-based nonprofit organizations are eligible. One-year grants provide seed money (\$2,000 to \$7,000) for new projects. Two year grants provide start-up funds (\$5,000 to \$10,000) for longer term programs that address the particular needs of the community and develop girls' sense of efficacy through leadership or advocacy opportunities. Funds support planning and coalition-building activities, program implementation and evaluation. See the web site for the online application and full details.

Application Deadline: No applications accepted this year.

# **Captain Planet Foundation**

Committed to supporting hands-on environmental projects for young people, the Captain Planet Foundation provides grants ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 to school and community groups to encourage innovative programs that empower youth to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. Projects must involve children and young adults ages 6-18 (elementary through high school). Preference is given to requests with 50% matching funds secured. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: January 31, 2016

# American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Science and Math Programs

The purpose of AIAA grants is to assist educators in presenting mathematics, science, technology, and engineering principles to students (K-12) in an exciting, hands-on manner to develop future aeronautics and aerospace engineers, scientists, pilots, and space explorers. Use your grant for classroom demonstration kits and science supplies, supplies for making flying objects (what kid can resist the chance to build and launch a rocket?), supplies for robotic programs, and other materials to help you make science, mathematics, and technology come alive in your classroom. K-12 teachers who are AIAA Educator Associates are eligible. Grants are for \$250 and each school is limited to two grants per year. Applicants must join AIAA as an Educator Associate. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: January XX, 2016

# February

# **American Honda Foundation**

Funds education programs that benefit youth with a specific focus on STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) subjects in addition to the environment. Programs

should show creative and innovative approaches to curriculum improvements. Grants range from \$20,000 to \$60,000. Applications are accepted four times per year: Nov. 1, Feb. 1, May 1, and Aug. 1. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: February 1, 2016

### Alan Shepard Technology in Education Award

The Astronauts Memorial Foundation presents the Alan Shepard Technology in Education Award to an educator who has demonstrated innovation, commitment, and excellence in the teaching and development of technology programs in schools. The award is open to all K-12 educators and technology personnel at the school or district level who have demonstrated exemplary use of technology. Technology programs with an focus on aerospace and/or aeronautics will be given priority over other programs. Applicants must demonstrate how their programs benefit the students at the school or district. Submissions for the 2016 award must be mailed and postmarked no later than Feb.?, 2016. The winner will be announced in March 2016.

Application Deadline: February XX, 2016

# NEA Foundation for the Improvement of Education Grants

The National Education Association Foundation provides \$2,000-\$5,000 grants to teachers, education support professionals, and higher education faculty and staff in public schools, colleges, and universities for the purpose of engaging in high-quality professional development or implementing innovative ideas that raise student achievement. Eligible applicants may apply at any time and must follow the grant guidelines. Applications are reviewed three times a year. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: February 1, 2016

# **NEA Learning & Leadership Grants**

The NEA Foundation provides grants to support public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education for one of the following two purposes: Grants to individuals fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research; or grants to groups fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment. The grant amount is \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups engaged in collegial study.

Application Deadline: February 1, 2016

### **NEA Student Achievement Grants**

The NEA Foundation provides grants to improve the academic achievement of students in U.S. public schools and public higher education institutions in any subject area(s). The proposed work should engage students in critical thinking and problem solving that deepen their knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection.

Application Deadline: February 1, 2016

### **Toshiba America Foundation Grants for Grades 6-12**

Wanted: Classroom Innovators! Toshiba America Foundation accepts applications from teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. Funded projects in grades 6-12 provide students with the opportunity to "do science" in new ways that promise to increase their engagement with the subject matter and improve their learning. 6-12 Grant requests for \$5,000 or more are accepted and reviewed twice a year - August 1 st and February 1 st each year. *For grants under \$5,000, grants are considered throughout the year.* 

Application Deadline: February 1, 2016. (For grants under \$5,000, grants are considered throughout the year.

#### Lowe's Toolbox for Education

Lowe's offers this grant two times per year to provide funding for school projects. Schools or parent groups associated with schools may apply. There is a preference for funding requests that have a permanent impact such as facility enhancement (both indoor and outdoor) as well as landscaping/clean up type projects. Between \$2,000 and \$5,000 per school is available. Examples of successful programs include reading gardens, vegetable gardens tied to classroom lessons, walking trails with exercise stations, school landscaping projects, school nature trails, or rotating school art exhibit, just to name a few. Please visit the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: February XX, 2016, or until 1500 applications are received

### **C-SPAN Teacher Fellowship Program**

Every year, the C-SPAN Education Foundation offer fellowships to teachers who have demonstrated creative use of C-SPAN in the classroom. C-SPAN is looking for teachers of social studies or relevant subjects, as well as media/technology teachers in grades 6-12. Each summer, the Fellows come to Washington, D.C. for four weeks to work with C-SPAN's Education Department to develop print, video and online materials for the classroom. Each Fellow receives an award valued at \$7,000 which includes housing and travel expenses. Please see the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: February XX, 2016

### Lemelson-MIT InvenTeam Grants

The Lemelson-MIT Program for Invention and Innovation launched InvenTeam Grants to foster inventiveness in high school students. Grants support teams composed of students, teachers, and industry mentors that are formed to invent technological solutions to real-world problems. Grants of up to \$10,000 will be awarded. Applying for an InvenTeams grant is a two-tiered process: the initial application is available online each fall and is due the following spring. Selected finalists are notified in the summer and asked to complete a final application due in September. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: February XX, 2016

### **Dollar General Adult Literacy Grants**

Adult Literacy Grants award funding up to \$15,000 to nonprofit organizations that provide direct service to adults in need of literacy assistance. Organizations must provide help in one of the following instructional areas: Adult Basic Education

GED or high school equivalency preparation English Language Acquisition

Application Deadline: February XX, 2016

# **Dollar General Family Literacy Grants**

Family Literacy Grants provide funding to family literacy service providers. Organizations applying for funding must have the following three components:

- Adult Education Instruction
- Children's Education
- Parent and Child Together Time (PACT)

Application Deadline: February XX, 2016

### **Dollar General Summer Reading Grants**

Summer Reading Grants provide funding to local nonprofit organizations and libraries to help with the implementation or expansion of summer reading programs. Programs must target Pre-K through 12th grade students who are new readers, below grade level readers or readers with learning disabilities.

Application Deadline: February XX, 2016

### **Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants**

Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. Grant funding is provided to assist in the following areas:

- Implementing new or expanding existing literacy programs
- Purchasing new technology or equipment to support literacy initiatives
- Purchasing books, materials or software for literacy programs

Application Deadline: February XX, 2016

# March

### American Association of Teachers of French Small Grant Awards

Each year, the AATF awards \$4000-5000 in Small Grants to members or chapters to undertake worthy projects related to the teaching or promotion of French. Matching support is required. Please see the web site for details.

Application Deadline: March 1, 2016

### Association of American Educators Foundation Classroom Grant

Classroom grants 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. Classroom grants are available to all full-time educators who have not received a scholarship or grant from AAE in the previous three grant cycles (or 18 months). Awards are competitive. AAE members receive additional weight in the scoring rubric. The number of classroom grants awarded will depend on the total number of applicants. Grants are available for up to \$500.

Application Deadline: March 1, 2016

### National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Institute for School Teachers

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) offers teachers opportunities to study humanities topics in a variety of summer seminars and institutes. Teachers selected to attend will be awarded a stipend to cover the cost of travel, lodging, books, and other expenses. The amount will depend on the length of the program attended. Stipends of \$1,200-\$3,900 help cover expenses for these one- to five-week programs. Full time teachers are eligible. Please see the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: March XX, 2016 (NEH Requests Preliminary Proposal 12/15/15)

### **Braitmayer Foundation**

The Foundation is interested in proposals utilizing innovative practices in K-12 education throughout the United States. Of particular interest are:

Curricular and school reform initiatives.

Preparation of and professional development opportunities for teachers, particularly those which encourage people of high ability and diverse background to enter and remain in K-12 teaching.

The Foundation is pleased to have its grants used anywhere in the United States as seed money, challenge grants, or to match other grants to the recipient organizations. The Foundation does not make grants to individuals, multi year grants, nor grants for general operating, endowment purposes or building programs. Unless a small percentage of the total amount requested, normally the Foundation does not make grants for childcare, pre-kindergarten, or after school programs nor for equipment including hardware, software, and books. PLease note: This grant cycle takes one full year from submission of a Letter of Inquiry to notification and may include a site visit. The Foundation awards Grants up to \$35,000

Application Deadline: March 15, 2016

### Ezra Jack Keats Minigrant Program

Awards of up to \$500 are given to public schools and public libraries for projects that foster creative expression, working together and interaction with a diverse community. EJK Mini-Grants give educators, whose efforts are often inadequately funded or recognized, a opportunity to design and implement a great program—whether a special activity outside the standard curriculum or one that helps meet its goals. Next year Ezra hits the century mark, and they are calling for all Mini-Grant proposals submitted through March 2016 to have a Keats theme! Every program, from puppet shows to science projects, should be informed by one or more aspects of Keats's books, art, life and vision.

Application Deadline: March 31, 2016

# April

# **ACS--Hach High School Chemistry Grant**

The ACS-Hach High School Chemistry Grant is awarded to U.S. high school chemistry teachers seeking funds to support ideas that transform classroom learning, foster student development, and reveal the wonders of chemistry. Teachers can request up to \$1,500 for their ideas. Grants are awarded for laboratory equipment and supplies; instructional materials; professional development; field studies; and science outreach events. Recent awards were given for the following: Real-world consumer and environmental studies projects; 21st century laboratories; "cool chemistry" demonstration shows; 3-D modeling; electronic, real-time student portfolios; interactive technologies for immediate results and assessment; podcasts for learning on-the-go; and professional development courses. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: April 1, 2016

# **Elmer's Kids in Need Foundation Grants**

Elmer's gives out Teacher Tool Kit grants each year for teachers who want to conduct classroom projects selected from a catalog of 700 projects featured in the Kids in Need Guide to Award Winning Projects. Grants are awarded on financial need, the applicability of the project to student needs and state standards, and the number of students who will benefit from the project. 300 grants are awarded each year.

Application Deadline: April 30, 2016

# National Science Foundation Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

This program identifies outstanding mathematics and science teachers, kindergarten through 12th grade, in each state and the four U.S. jurisdictions. The competition alternates each year between teachers of grades 7-12 and teachers of grades K-6. Nominations and applications

must be completed online. Each Presidential awardee will receive a \$10,000 award from the National Science Foundation and gifts from donors. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: April 1, 2016 (Nominations) May 1, 2016 (Teachers Submit)

### **Target Arts Grants**

Target offers grants to programs that bring the arts to schools or make the arts accessible to children and families. These programs must have a curriculum component. Target funds inschool arts programs that enhance students' classroom curricula by bringing the arts and cultural experiences to schools, such as in-school performances, artist-in-residency programs and workshops in schools. Programs must take place between September 2014 and August 2015. Art and Culture in Schools grants are \$2,000. See the web site for details.

Application Deadline: April 30, 2016

# **Target Early Childhood Reading Grants**

Target awards grants up to \$2,000 to schools, libraries and nonprofit organizations to support programs such as after-school reading events and weekend book clubs to foster a love of reading and encouraging children, preschool through third grade, to read together with their families. See the web site for details.

Application Deadline: April 30, 2016

### American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Science and Math Programs

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Application Deadline: April 15, 2016

# May

# **American Honda Foundation**

Funds education programs that benefit youth with a specific focus on STEM (science,

technology, engineering, and mathematics) subjects in addition to the environment. Programs should show creative and innovative approaches to curriculum improvements. Grants range from \$20,000 to \$60,000. Applications are accepted four times per year: Nov. 1, Feb. 1, May 1, and Aug. 1. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: May 1, 2016

# Association of American Educators Classroom Grant

The Association of American Educators offers classroom grants that can be use for several types of projects including books, software, calculators, math manipulatives, art supplies, lab materials, or audio visual equipment. Grants average \$500 and are available to educators who have not received a scholarship or grant from AAE in 18 months. AAE members receive additional weight in the scoring rubric. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: May 1, 2016

# American Society of Plant Biologists Education Foundation Grants

These grants support education activities that improve K-12 student knowledge of plant science. Grants may be used for development of curriculum and hands-on learning materials, teacher professional development, and for activities that encourage young scientists to pursue careers in the field of plant biology. Please see the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: May 1, 2016

# **Dominion K-12 Educational Partnership**

Each year, Dominion offers grants that provide elementary and secondary educators with the tools they need to revitalize math and science programs. In the area of k-12 education, Dominion accepts grant applications, up to \$10,000, to encourage the development of new programs to strengthen math and science education through the study of energy or the environment. Successful grant proposals should represent innovative and promising ideas, teach math and/or science skills, reach a significant number of students and demonstrate broad-based community support. Proposals must align with one of the following target areas:

- Environmental Education: projects to develop math and/or science skills through the study of the environment.
- Energy Grants: projects designed to increase students' awareness of energy efficiency and conservation, energy sources or other energy-related topics.

Grants will be awarded as follows:

- **Mini-grants** (up to \$1,000) for small projects that enhance the teaching of math and/or science. Please note: mini-grants are not limited to energy and the environment;
- Larger grants (ranging from \$1,001-\$5,000) for environmental and/or energy projects involving a few classes/small number of students;
- Exceptional grants (ranging from \$5,001-\$10,000) for environmental and/or energy projects with a broader reach. These projects should: involve larger numbers of children and/or classes; have a school-wide/system-wide focus, or involve the surrounding community. (*Note:* A limited number of larger grants will be funded.)

Application Deadline: May 1, 2016

# **ING Run for Something Better Grants**

ING Run For Something Better® in partnership with the National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE), seeks to increase physical activity in students and help fight childhood obesity through the creation of school-based running programs. The ING RFSB School Awards Program will provide grants up to \$2,500 to schools that desire to establish a school-based running program or expand an existing one. See the web site for complete details and the online application.

Applications Deadline: May 15, 2016

### **Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants**

The Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants program provides funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help with the implementation or expansion of literacy programs for new readers, below grade-level readers, and readers with learning disabilities. Organizations requesting funds must provide direct services to one of the groups of readers defined above, and instruction must be designed to meet the varying learning preferences and needs of the defined target population. Grants may be up to \$4,000. Visit the Dollar General web site for program information and application.

Application Deadline: May XX, 2016

### "Living In A Material World" Grant - from ASM International

The Living in a Material World program, sponsored by ASM International, awards small grants to teachers hoping to foster interest in materials sciences among K-12 students. Previous activities have increased student awareness of developing or producing metals, glasses, ceramics, semiconductors, and polymers, as well as addressing the integral role of materials in society. Special consideration will go to activities encouraging materials sciences careers. ASM International is a professional society for those who work with engineered materials - such as

metals, composites, plastics, and electronics -- they support a foundation that aims to excite young people about careers in material science and engineering.

Application Deadline: May, 2016 (TBD)

### Christa McAuliffe Reach for the Stars Award

The Fund for the Advancement of Social Studies Education (FASSE) was created in 1984 by the Board of Directors of National Council for the Social Studies. The purpose of the fund is to support research and classroom application projects which improve social studies education, foster enlightened citizenship, and promote civic competence. In 1986 the Christa McAuliffe Reach for the Stars Award was established to help classroom teachers "reach for the stars" and achieve a dream that under ordinary circumstances would not be fulfilled. 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. Grants will be given to assist classroom teachers in developing and implementing imaginative, innovative, and illustrative social studies teaching strategies; supporting student implementation of innovative social studies, citizenship projects, field experiences, and community connections. To be eligible NCSS membership is required and applicants must be a full-time social studies teacher or social studies teacher educators currently engaged with K-12 students. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: May 31, 2016

# June

# NEA Foundation for the Improvement of Education Grants

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Application Deadline: June 1, 2016

# **NEA Learning & Leadership Grants**

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Application Deadline: June 1, 2016

### **NEA Student Achievement Grants**

The NEA Foundation provides grants to improve the academic achievement of students in U.S. public schools and public higher education institutions in any subject area(s). The proposed work should engage students in critical thinking and problem solving that deepen their knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection.

Application Deadline: June 1, 2016

### National Weather Association - Sol Hirsch Educational Fund Grants

The NWA Education Committee offers \$750 grants to teachers in grades K-12 to help improve the education of their students, school and/or community in meteorology. The teachers selected will be able to use the funds to take accredited courses, workshops, or conferences related to meteorology that will significantly enhance their teaching activities; purchase scientific materials or equipment for the classroom; begin new school and/or community science outreach and education programs; or enhance and/or expand existing meteorology/science education programs. Applications are available online at the above web site.

Application Deadline: June 1, 2016

# Fuel Up to Play 60

Funding opportunities are available to any qualified K-12 school enrolled in Fuel Up to Play 60. Sponsored by the National Dairy Council, state and regional Dairy Councils and other supporting organizations, the competitive, nationwide funding program provides seed money – up to \$4,000 per school – to help school Fuel Up to Play 60 teams increase student awareness of the importance of healthy eating and increased physical activity; student access to and consumption of nutrient-rich foods, including low-fat and fat-free dairy, fruits, vegetables and whole grains; student opportunities for and participation in physical activity in school; sustainable changes in making your school a healthier place.

Application Deadline: June 1, 2016

# **Crayola Creative Leadership Grants**

In collaboration with the National Association of Elementary School Principals, Crayola is accepting applications for its Creative Leadership Program. Up to 20 awards of \$2,500 each will be made to elementary school working to develop a team of leaders to increase arts-infused education with school. In addition, each program will receive Crayola products valued at \$1,000. Applications will only be accepted from principals who are members of NAESP.

Application Deadline: June XX, 2016

### **US Lacrosse First Stick Program**

The heart of the First Stick Program is the belief that a child's first lacrosse stick not only serves as a means to play the sport, but is a symbol of life-enhancing values such as confidence, teamwork, sportsmanship and leadership that can be developed through lacrosse. The First Stick Program is designed to deliver comprehensive US Lacrosse developmental and safety resources, equipment, USL membership and coach training to awarded teams. The ultimate goal of each two-year partnership is to develop self-sustaining youth lacrosse programs that operate by US Lacrosse national standards and best practices. See the web site for details.

Application Deadline: June 15, 2016

### Pets in the Classroom Grants

Kids benefit from exposure to pets in the classroom in ways that help to shape their lives for years to come. The goal of the Pet Care Trust is to establish healthy child-pet relationships at an early age by supporting responsible pet care in elementary and middle school classrooms across the country. Grants can be obtained for the purchase of new pets, pet environments, or pet food and supplies for existing classroom pets. PreK-6 classrooms are eligible. Visit the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: June 30, 2016

### Grant for the Enhancement of Geographic Literacy

The purpose of the National Council for the Social Studies' grant is to promote geography education in the schools; to enhance the geographic literacy of students at the classroom, district, or statewide level; and to encourage the integration of geography into the social studies curriculum/classroom. Programs, not individuals, individual lessons or units, which will enhance the geographic literacy of students at the classroom, district, or statewide levels are eligible. Recipients may be individuals or groups in school districts, public institutions, or universities. Grants are up to \$2,500. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: June 30, 2016

# July

### **Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders Classroom Practitioner Support Grants** Each year the CCBD Foundation provides grants of up to \$500 to help implement a high quality

practice or program in an educational setting that directly serves students with EBD. Awards can be used to fund projects or curriculum not otherwise available through the district or school. Applicants must be: A current member of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC); Employed as an educator working with students with EBD; and willing to provide the CCBD Foundation with a photo of the applicant, and a summary of the outcome of the funded project. Please see the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: July 15, 2016

# August

# American Honda Foundation

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Application Deadline: August 1, 2016

# **The Mockingbird Foundation**

The Mockingbird Foundation, Inc. offers competitive grants to schools for music education for children. The foundation uses a two-tiered grant application process. Those interested in submitting a proposal should first complete an online Initial Inquiry Form. If your proposal is accepted for further consideration, you will be contacted. Mockingbird is particularly interested in projects that encourage and foster creative expression in any musical form, but also recognizes needs within conventional instruction. Mockingbird encourages applications associated with diverse or unusual musical styles, genres, forms, and philosophies. Education may include the provision of instruments, texts, and office materials, and the support of learning space, practice space, performance space, and instructors/instruction. Mockingbird is also particularly interested in projects that foster self-esteem and free expression, but *does not* fund music therapy. Mockingbird is also particularly interested in programs which benefit disenfranchised groups, including those with low skill levels, income, or education; with disabilities or terminal illnesses; or in foster homes, shelters, hospitals other remote or isolated situations.Visit the web site for complete information.

Application Deadline: August 1, 2016

# Toshiba America Foundation Science and Mathematics Grants Grades 6-12 Grants more than \$5,000

The Toshiba America Foundation is a private, endowed, not-for-profit grant making organization

dedicated to supporting education programs and activities in the United States. The mission of the Toshiba America Foundation is to contribute to the quality of science and mathematics education by investing in projects designed by and with individual classroom teachers or teams of classroom teachers to improve science and science-related education for students in schools, grades 6 through 12. Successful grantees have designed projects that tap into their students' natural curiosity, enable students to frame their own scientific questions, and incorporate the expertise of community partners. See the web site for complete details

Application Deadline: August 1, 2016

# **Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants**

The Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants program provides funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help with the implementation or expansion of literacy programs for new readers, below grade-level readers, and readers with learning disabilities. Organizations requesting funds must provide direct services to one of the groups of readers defined above, and instruction must be designed to meet the varying learning preferences and needs of the defined target population. Grants may be up to \$4,000. Visit the Dollar General web site for program information and application.

Application Deadline: August XX, 2016

# **Wells Fargo Foundation**

Wells Fargo makes contributions in areas that we believe are important to the future of our nation's vitality and success. Our first priority is to support programs and organizations whose chief purpose is to benefit low- and moderate-income individuals and families. We look for projects that keep our communities strong, diverse, and vibrant. We direct our contributions to non-profit organizations that work to advance these focus areas:

- Eliminating the pre-K  $12^{\text{th}}$  grade achievement gap through services that support lowand moderate-income students
- Providing mentoring and out-of-school programs

Application Deadline: August 31, 2016

# September

# **Captain Planet Foundation**

Committed to supporting hands-on environmental projects for young people, the Captain Planet Foundation provides grants ranging from \$250 to \$2,500 to school and community groups to encourage innovative programs that empower youth to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. Projects must involve children and young adults ages 6-18 (elementary through high school). Preference is given to requests with 50% matching funds secured. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: September 30, 2016

### **Target Field Trip Grants Program**

Target Field Trip Grants program will award U.S. educators grants of \$700 each to fund a field trip for their students. Target Field Trip Grants may be used to fund trips ranging from visits to art museums and environmental projects to cultural events and civic experiences. Each store will award three grants. Applications must be submitted electronically. Only one submission per applicant will be accepted. Visit the Target web site for complete program information and the online application form.

Application Deadline: September 30, 2016

### **Kids in Need Foundation**

Teachers can apply for an Elmer's Teachers Tool Kit Grant that can range from \$100 to \$500. The grants will be given to teachers who wish to conduct classroom projects selected from a catalog of more than 500 projects. Typically, 300-600 grants are awarded each year. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: September 30, 2016

### **Moss Foundation Grants**

The P. Buckley Moss Foundation for Children's Education recognizes outstanding teachers who use the arts as an effective learning tool to teach children with learning disabilities and special needs. Applications may be made for a grant of \$1,000 to support a new or evolving program that is in the planning stages or has been in existence for less than two years. The awards also encourage and reward instruction collaboration among teachers whenever arts are included in the classroom learning experience as an essential ingredient in the education of all children. Visit the web site for complete application requirements

Application Deadline: September 30, 2016

# Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy

The foundation's grantmaking program seeks to develop or expand projects that are designed to support the development of literacy skills for adult primary care givers and their children. To be eligible for a grant, an organization must operate an instructional literacy program that has been in existence for at least two years and includes one or more of the following components: literacy for adults, parent education, pre-literacy or literacy instruction for children pre-K to grade

3, and intergenerational literacy activities. Grants average \$2,500 in size. Visit the foundation's web site for complete application guidelines and answers to Frequently Asked Questions.

Application Deadline: September 30, 2016

### **Project Learning Tree Green Works! Grants**

If you have an idea for a school/community native plant garden, a forest improvement project, a stream-side restoration plan, a recycling program, or energy conservation project for your students and need funds to implement it, a Project Learning Tree GreenWorks! grant might be for you. Project Learning Tree offers two Green Works! grants worth \$1,000 each for PTL trained applicants to conduct PLT service learning projects in their schools or communities. Applicants for both grants must include a service learning funds (in-kind is acceptable). Some examples of past grant projects include habitat restoration, watershed improvement, outdoor classrooms, and energy conservation. The Green Works! Action Project Grant additionally requires that applicants must have completed one of more of the PLT GreenSchools! investigations and that the proposed project be based on the findings of one or more of the PLT GreenSchools! investigations. Please see the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: September 30, 2016

# October

# American Association of Teachers of French Small Grant Awards

The AATF makes grants to support members' or chapters' local projects related to the teaching or promotion of French. A one to one match from the local AATF chapter or other source is required for the awards of up to \$500. Please see the web site for details.

Application Deadline: October 1, 2016

# Toshiba's Small Grants Program for K-5 Science and Math Education

Any K-5 teacher is eligible. The foundation encourages projects planned and led by individual teachers or teams of teachers for their own classrooms. Grants of up to \$1,000 for project materials only will support science or math education. See the web site above for applications and additional information. Successful grantees have designed projects that tap into their students' natural curiosity, enable students to frame their own scientific questions, and incorporate the expertise of community partners. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: October 1, 2016

### Association of American Educators Foundation Classroom Grant

Classroom grants 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. Classroom grants are available to all full-time educators who have not received a scholarship or grant from AAE in the previous three grant cycles (or 18 months). Awards are competitive. AAE members receive additional weight in the scoring rubric. The number of classroom grants awarded will depend on the total number of applicants. Grants are available for up to \$500.

Application Deadline: October 1, 2016

### American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Science and Math Programs

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are for \$250 and each school is limited to two grants per year. Applicants must join AIAA as an Educator Associate. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: October 30, 2016

### **NEA Foundation for the Improvement of Education Grants**

The National Education Association Foundation provides \$2,000-\$5,000 grants to teachers, education support professionals, and higher education faculty and staff in public schools, colleges, and universities for the purpose of engaging in high-quality professional development or implementing innovative ideas that raise student achievement. Eligible applicants may apply at any time and must follow the grant guidelines. Applications are reviewed three times a year. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: October 15, 2016

### **NEA Learning & Leadership Grants**

The NEA Foundation provides grants to support public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education for one of the following two purposes: Grants to individuals fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research; or grants to groups fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment.

Application Deadline: October 15, 2016

### **NEA Student Achievement Grants**

The NEA Foundation provides grants to improve the academic achievement of students in U.S. public schools and public higher education institutions in any subject area(s). The proposed work should engage students in critical thinking and problem solving that deepen their knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection.

Application Deadline: October 15, 2016

# **Nature Works Everywhere Garden Grant**

The purpose of this grant is to provide you with the resources you need to use school gardens to teach conservation science and engage students in understanding the value of nature, while creating spaces that enhance the natural landscape of your school and city. A grant of \$1000-\$2,000 (funds will be allocated according to needs of garden projects) to be spent on garden materials, including but not limited to soil amendments, plants, seeds, tools ,infrastructure such as drip hoses, edging, rain barrels, etc.; classroom materials, outreach materials, seating, sheds, shade structures, etc.; also may be used to cover the cost of field trips to local urban environmental initiatives (i.e. non-profit gardening organizations, botanical gardens, urban agriculture sites, etc.) and may be used to cover operational/overhead costs for garden management.

Application Deadline: October XX, 2016

### Lowe's Toolbox for Education

Lowe's offers this grant two times per year to provide funding for school projects. Schools or parent groups associated with schools may apply. There is a preference for funding requests that have a permanent impact such as facility enhancement (both indoor and outdoor) as well as landscaping/clean up type projects. Between \$2,000 and \$5,000 per school is available. Examples of successful programs include reading gardens, vegetable gardens tied to classroom lessons, walking trails with exercise stations, school landscaping projects, school nature trails, or rotating school art exhibit, just to name a few. Please visit the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: October XX, 2016, or until 1500 applications are received

# **Power a Bright Future- Clorox Grant**

The Clorox Company is committed to making a difference both in and out of the classroom. The Power A Bright Future program is giving students more chances to play, create and explore by awarding several grants—some based on public votes, and some based on merit. The

nomination with the most votes overall will receive a \$50,000 grant. The nominations with the most votes in each category will each receive a \$25,000 grant. Clorox will then review all nominations and pick one from each category based on merit to award a \$25,000 grant in each category. Power A Bright Future celebrates all activities, from academic to extracurricular. We're seeking nominations to help provide resources to school programs that give kids the opportunity to grow and develop. The three categories, **Play**, **Create** and **Explore**, all focus on different aspects of educational experiences.

Application Deadline: October XX, 2016

# **Conrad Foundation Spirit of Innovation Challenge (Abstracts Due)**

The Conrad Foundation's Spirit of Innovation Challenge invites high school students and their coaches (teachers, parents) to Get Their Genius On during its annual competition. Using science, technology, engineering and math skills, teams develop innovative products to help solve global and local problems while supporting global sustainability. As part of the program, the Conrad Challenge matches participants with world-renowned scientists, engineers and entrepreneurs as mentors to assist with advanced academic and business principles.

Student teams (13-18 years old) compete for awards and recognition, including a chance to attend the annual Innovation Summit where they will present their products and vie for seed grants, patent support and commercial opportunities.

Application Deadline: October XX, 2016

# Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy

The Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy is a one-week all-expense-paid intensive professional development program for third- through fifth-grade STEM teachers. The Academy offers a five-day program designed to provide teachers with the knowledge and skills necessary to motivate students to pursue careers in science and math. To apply, visit the above web site.

Application Deadline: October 31, 2016

# The Knowles Science Teaching Foundation Teaching Fellowships

The foundation seeks to strengthen the quality of science and mathematics teachers in grades 9-12 and invites applications from teachers with outstanding and current content knowledge and who have the capacity and determination to commit to teaching as their primary career. Visit the web site http://www.kstf.org/fellowships/ for complete details and the online application.

Application Deadline: October XX, 2016

# November

### **American Honda Foundation**

Funds education programs that benefit youth with a specific focus on STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) subjects in addition to the environment. Programs should show creative and innovative approaches to curriculum improvements. Grants range from \$20,000 to \$60,000. Applications are accepted four times per year: Nov. 1, Feb. 1, May 1, and Aug. 1. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: November 1, 2016

### Shade Structure Program

The AAD Shade Structure Grant Program awards grants of up to \$8,000 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. In addition to the grant, the AAD also provides a permanent sign for display near the shade structure.

Members of the American Association of Dermatology can support the program by sponsoring an application. The AAD Shade Structure Program is open to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations that provide services, programs and curricula to children and teenagers who are 18 and younger.

Application Deadline: November XX, 2016

# Air Force Association Educator Grant

The Educator Grant program is designed to promote aerospace education activities in classrooms from kindergarten through twelfth grades. The program encourages development of innovative aerospace activities within the prescribed curriculum. The program also encourages establishing an active relationship between the school and the local Air Force Association organization. Grants up to \$250 are awarded. See the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: November XX, 2016

### Shell Science Teaching Award

A partnership between Shell Oil Company and the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), this award recognizes one outstanding classroom teacher (grades K–12) who has had a positive impact on his or her students, school, and the community through exemplary science teaching. Special projects may be mentioned but should not be the main focus of the andidate's application. The recipient will receive \$10,000. The recipient and the two finalists will each receive an expense-paid trip to attend the NSTA National Conference on Science Education. During the conference, the finalists will be honored at the Awards Banquet. The recipient will also be recognized at the Teacher Awards Banquet. The 10 semifinalists will receive certificates of distinction. Nominees must be classroom teachers whose responsibilities include teaching science. Nominees must have a minimum of eight (8) years of experience (not including the current school year) as a teacher of science, and must teach in a private or public school in the United States, U.S. Territories, Department of Defense schools, or in Canada.

Application Deadline: November XX, 2016

### Wendell G. Mohling Outstanding Aerospace Educator Award

The award recognizes excellence in the field of aerospace education as outlined in the NSTA Position Statement on Aerospace Education. An award of \$3000 is given to the recipient, and up to \$2000 is provided to attend the NSTA National Conference on Science Education. The recipient of the Award will be honored during the Awards Banquet and the Aerospace Educators Luncheon at the NSTA Conference. Both K–12 teachers of science in formal education settings (e.g., elementary, middle, high school) and educators in informal education settings (e.g., museums, government, science centers) are eligible to apply in alternating years. In 2015, only K–12 teachers in formal education settings will be eligible for consideration. In 2016, only educators in an informal setting will be eligible for consideration. Individuals nominated in formal education must have a minimum of 3 years teaching experience, and individuals nominated in informal education must have a minimum of 3 years in an informal setting. Self nominations will be accepted.

Application Deadline: November 30, 2016

# The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

Sponsored by the Prudential Insurance Company of America in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, these awards recognize students in middle and high school who have demonstrated exemplary community service. Students must have engaged in a volunteer activity at least partly during the 12 months prior to the date of application. Complete guidelines are available at the program's web site.

Application Deadline: November XX, 2016

# What Kids Can Do

WKCD offers a competitive grant program, Youth Research in Action, for grants up to \$2,000 to youth-designed and –led action research projects. The program is open to high school students to target a problem or issue meaningful to the school, and proceed to formulate the problem, research design, data collection and analysis and culminates in a plan for next steps.

Application Deadline: November XX, 2016

# American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Science and Math Programs

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Application Deadline: November XX, 2016

# December

# **CVS Caremark Community Grants for Public Schools**

CVS Caremark is committed to building healthier communities. Through the CVS Caremark Community Grants Program we provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations that are providing much-needed access to health care for underserved populations; wellness and prevention programs that are aimed at helping people achieve their best health, including programs in public schools; and health education and awareness programs that are helping people on their path to better health. Grants of up to \$5,000 are available. Please see the web site http://info.cvscaremark.com/ for details and the online application.

Application Deadline: December 1, 2016

# Womens Sports Foundation Sports for Life

The purpose of the grant is to create and expand developmental youth sports programs that serve African-American and Hispanic girls, ages 11 to 18 years old — high-risk and underserved populations. Grants can be used for coaching, curriculum, equipment, uniforms, transportation, facility rental, tournaments and/or team-building activities, all while fostering the Sports 4 Life benefits: leadership, self-esteem, confidence, and perseverance.

Application Deadline: December XX, 2016

# Toyota Teacher of the Year Award

The National Center for Family Literacy (NCFL) is now accepting nominations for the Toyota Teacher of the Year Award. This award will give an outstanding educator \$20,000 to support an innovative family engagement project and significant national recognition for his/her exemplary work with families. In addition, this educator will win a scholarship to the National Conference on Family Literacy. One national runner-up will receive a \$2,500 grant for his/her program and a scholarship to the conference. Educators directly working with children and families in family-focused education programs, Title I schools, preschool programs, libraries or other community-based organizations are eligible for this award. See the web site for details and the online application.

Application Deadline: December 31, 2016

# Katie's Krops

Katie's Krops seeks to provide the opportunity for kids ages 9 to 16 to start a vegetable garden to feed people in need in their communities. The winner will be awarded a gift card to a garden center in their area (up to \$400), support from Katie's Krops, and a digital camera to document the garden and the harvest. Applications for all types of vegetable gardens (such as a container

garden if you live in a city, or a vegetable garden located in your neighborhood or at your school) will be considered. Please visit the web site for complete details.

Application Deadline: December 31, 2016

### **Walmart Foundation**

Community Grants range from the minimum grant of **\$250 to** the maximum grant of **\$2**,500. Walmart and the Walmart Foundation have identified four core areas of giving: Hunger Relief & Healthy Eating, Sustainability, Women's Economic Empowerment and Career Opportunity. To ensure that your application has the best chance of being funded, the proposed use of the grant should fit within one of these areas of giving. Primary consideration for the Community Grant program is to support local organizations with programs that align with Walmart and the Foundation's areas of giving. However, programs that do not align with these areas may also be given consideration. These include programs that are geared toward strengthening the local communities, for example: local organizations providing health and dental screenings, support for local police and fire departments and local school-based initiatives.

Application Deadline: Applications accepted from February 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

# **Open Submission Dates**

### **AT&T Aspire Fund**

The AT&T Foundation awards grants to education projects that focus on improving the quality of teaching and learning through the effective use of technology; developing workforce skills for the information technology industry and advancing diversity in education and the workplace, especially in the fields of science, math, engineering, and technology. **Grant Amounts: Varies** 

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

### **Digital Wish**

Digital Wish helps educators locate much-needed funding for technology by posting teachers' technology wish lists on the Digital Wish website so that donors can make a contribution to their classrooms. Digital Wish also provides a database of grants for teachers to search and offers ideas for fundraising. Login to your Digital Wish account and submit a technology-based lesson plan for a chance to win over 50 different technology grants. In addition to serving as your grant application, every lesson plan you enter will be automatically added to your classroom's profile, allowing you to share technology integration ideas with colleagues and fellow educators across the country!

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

### **ING Unsung Heroes Awards Program**

ING Unsung Heroes began in 1995 as a way for ING to demonstrate its commitment to

the education community. Grants are given to K-12 educators utilizing new teaching methods and techniques that improve learning. At least one grant is awarded in each of the 50 states, provided at least one qualified application was received from each state. Winners are selected by Scholarship America, a national non-profit educational support student aid service organization. **Award Amounts: \$2,000 - \$25,000** 

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

### Lockheed Martin

Lockheed Martin provides grants for K-16 Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Education. This includes Lockheed Martin's K-12 STEM Education Initiative, Engineers in the Classroom, as well as STEM-focused curricular and extracurricular programs that provide employee engagement opportunities in a community in which Lockheed Martin has employees or business interests.

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

### **Lumina Foundation**

The Lumina Foundation only accepts a very small number of unsolicited proposals that fit within their strategic portfolio. Most of the grants are made to organizations they have solicited. Grants range from \$100,000 to \$ 2 million.

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

#### **RGK** Foundation

The RGK Foundation's primary interests within Education include programs that focus on formal K-12 education (particularly mathematics, science and reading), teacher development, literacy, and higher education. The foundation does not entertain individual classroom requests from schools, and any request must be submitted through the Principal or Superintendent's office. **Grant Amounts: \$25,000** 

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

### **State Farm Companies Foundation**

State Farm provides grants to support K-12 public school enrichment efforts including after-school programs, service-learning programs, systemic school-wide reform, teacher excellence programs, and academic excellence programs. **Grant Amounts: Varies** 

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

### Toshiba America Foundation Grants for Grades 6-12 (Under \$5,000)

Wanted: Classroom Innovators! Toshiba America Foundation accepts applications from teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. Funded projects in grades 6-12 provide students with the opportunity to "do science" in new ways that promise to increase their engagement with the subject matter and improve

their learning. 6-12 Grant requests for \$5,000 or less are accepted and reviewed throughout the year.

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

### Toyota USA Foundation Grants

The Toyota USA Foundation is committed to enhancing the quality of K- 12 education by supporting innovative programs and building partnerships with organizations dedicated to improving the teaching and learning of mathematics, science and environmental science. A high priority is placed on the following: Creative and innovative programs which develop the potential of students and/or teachers; Programs which are broad in scope and incorporate systemic approach; and, Cost- effective programs that possess a high potential for success with relatively low duplication of effort. **Minimum Award: \$50,000** 

Application Deadline: Throughout the year

# Walmart and Sam's Club Giving Program

WalMart and Sam's Club Giving Program awards grants to organizations that have a presence in the communities they serve. The Foundation addresses the educational needs of underserved young people ages 12 - 25. Examples include programs that re-engage students who have dropped out of high school, improve retention rates of first-generation college students, support teachers and promote adolescent literacy. **Grant Amounts: \$250 and Up** 

Application Deadline: Throughout the year