

IMPACT GRANTS OVERVIEW

Historically, CCEF classroom grants have provided additional opportunities for our CCS students to build technical skills, practice professional (soft) skills and explore careers. But this year, we know needs are very different and we want to help!

Grant Eligibility

Grants must directly impact students' learning and serve the pre-K through 12th grade population in Cabarrus County Schools.

We are looking to fund teaching aids to help your students achieve. The possibilities are numerous and should be implemented within 2 months of the grant approval.

- Is there an online program to supplement online teaching? Some possible examples, an online PE yoga class for students or an online science lab program.
- Is there a simulated experience to provide your students with hands-on experience such as a nursing simulation for patient care, STEMscope, virtual choirs, car mechanic simulation software?
- Is there an immersive learning (virtual reality) experience to bring learning alive? Ideas might include an online engineering program to build machines and contraptions, a virtual experience to Queen Nefertari's tomb to study the history, culture and construction of the tomb or even an online cat dissection.

What IMPACT grants are not meant for:

- Everyday classroom supplies
- Non-immediate needs
- Projects that might not occur this year

Although these items will not be funded through this program, CCEF is looking at ways to address these needs through other programs. Keep your ears open as, hopefully, plans will be announced soon.

SOMETHING NEW AND EXCITING!

Because of the unique nature of these needs, the structure of the IMPACT Grants is much different than our normal Classroom Grants.

- Maximum Grant Amounts: \$1,000 for individual teacher request; \$1,500 for group teacher requests (3+ teachers)
- Applications accepted on a rolling basis
- Simpler application process


AND a year-end \$500 TEACHER award presented to the teacher(s) with the most impactful project on student learning.

Grant Requirements

1. All funds must be used during the 2020-2021 school year.
2. Because of the different nature of each request, CCEF will communicate grant reporting requirements as part of the notification process. Reporting requirements can include pictures/video that represent the grant in action and/or the impact of the grant, a final report, a classroom visit, etc.
3. Acknowledge your IMPACT grant award in a notice to parents of children who will benefit and submit a copy of communication to CCEF.
4. When posting announcements regarding CCEF IMPACT grants on social media posts, please remember to tag CCEF and capture it to send in an email to CCEF.



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Grant Guidelines

- Grants may fund technologies – a creative project is not necessary for funding through this program.
- Grants funds may be used to purchase materials and items from any source. Use of “State Contract” is not required.
- Keep in mind that if you receive a grant and then transfer to another CCS school, your principal has the discretion to decide if the materials purchased with the grant remains with the school or you.

Application Procedures

1. Applications will only be accepted through the Google form located at <https://forms.gle/eQZb6BMgWitodVTT6>.
2. Grant applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. Applications received by the deadline will be considered in that month’s cycle. The program will be reevaluated in December for further funding consideration for the spring semester.

Grant Application Deadlines will be:

September 23, 2020

October 23, 2020

November 19, 2020

3. All questions on the application must be answered to be considered complete.
4. CCEF will confirm your application with one of your administrators by contacting them. Please ensure they are informed of your application so they can confirm approval quickly.
5. Grant applications will be reviewed on a monthly basis by the selection committee.

6. Due to the shortened application, we ask each applicant to speak with the selection committee for 15 minutes as part of the selection team review to include a 2-3-minute presentation (does not need to be formal) that expands the application and addresses these items as applicable: cost breakdown, innovative/creative approach, whether outcomes are prescriptive or student-driven, implementation, measurement and skills being acquired. The selection team will be able to ask further questions of the applicant(s).

Review Time Frame

Deadline of 9/23/20 – Selection Team Review 9/26-9/30

Deadline of 10/23 – Selection Team Review 10/26-10/31

Deadline of 11/19 – Selection Team Review 11/21, 11/23, 11/24 or 11/30

CCEF will contact each applicant to schedule a time during these days to accommodate teacher schedules.

Grant Awards: Grant notifications will be announced on the 1st school day of the month following the deadline. Funds will be made payable to the school. Grant funds may be used to purchase materials and items from any source. Use of “State Contract” is NOT required.

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