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All,

On behalf of the School District of Philadelphia's Office of Grant Development, I am pleased to send you the April Edition of the Office of Grant Development's Newsletter, with an updated listing of grant opportunities, for which individual teachers and schools may apply. (As a reminder, SRC policy encourages school level personnel to pursue grants up to \$20,000, without requiring central office "approval," though I certainly urge you all to contact my office about any grant you may be pursuing.) As always, the list includes opportunities for "Teachers, Students & Schools," as well as opportunities specifically geared toward nonprofit organizations. In addition to several "Ongoing" opportunities that do not have specific deadlines, our newsletter also includes a comprehensive listing of opportunities with specific deadlines.

I am also very excited to announce that we have just released a *Guide to Fundraising and Grantwriting for Schools*, which we hope will be of use to anyone interested in generating resources for public schools in Philly. It can be downloaded for free from our website (<http://sdpgrants.weebly.com/>). Please take a look, and keep an eye out on our website for future publications.

Good luck in grantseeking!

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**Intent-to-Apply forms have changed! Please see our website (<http://sdpgrants.weebly.com/>)**

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**Office of Grant Development Newsletter**  
**April 2017**  
**FOR TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND SCHOOLS**

**American Chemical Society Grants**

Since 2008, over 600 high school chemistry teachers received American Chemical Society (ACS) High School Chemistry Classroom Grants to support ideas that enhance classroom learning, foster student development, and reveal the wonders of chemistry.

**Deadline:** April 14, 2017

**Eligibility:** High School Chemistry Teachers

**Funds:** Teachers can request up to \$1,500 for their ideas, including laboratory equipment and supplies, professional development and student-conducted field studies.

**Email:** hach@acs.org

**Website:** [www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and-awards/grants/hachhighschool.html](http://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and-awards/grants/hachhighschool.html)

**McCarthy Dressman Teacher Development Grants**

The McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation is committed to the idea of continuous professional development and training for teachers. These grants support small groups of teachers working together to create and implement innovative, groundbreaking K-12 classroom instruction. Grantees have the opportunity to integrate new strategies for teaching, encouraging critical inquiry and to observe the results on the students. Books, materials, art supplies and stipends are allowable expenses.

**Deadline:** April 15, 2017

**Eligibility:** K-12 teachers

**Funds:** up to \$10,000

**Phone:** (801) 578-1260

**Email:** info@mccarthydressman.org

**Website:** <http://mccarthydressman.org/teacher-development-grants>

**“Asthma, Climate Change & You” Curriculum Implementation Grants**

The National Nurse-Led Consortium (NNCC) is collaborating with the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) to implement an environmental education project that will raise knowledge and awareness of how asthma is impacted by climate change, toxics, and chemicals. The curriculum also promotes good environmental stewardship, and build the skills of educators to offer environmental education.

**Deadline:** Letter of Intent – April 17, 2017 (Optional)

**Deadline:** Full Proposal – May 12, 2017

**Eligibility:** Southeast PA School Districts, Teacher Associations, Environmental Nonprofits

**Funds:** Five Grant Awards to Implement the Curriculum Valued at \$4,550 each

**Email:** csimon@nncc.us

**Website:** <http://www.nncc.us/about-nncc/news-a-events/latest-news/342-funding-opportunity-environmental-education>

**Vehicle Design Contest**

The FCA (Fiat/Chrysler Automobiles) Product Design Office is seeking entrants for its “Drive for Design” contest. The contest asks students to design a Dodge vehicle 30 years in the future.

**Deadline:** April 28, 2017  
**Eligibility:** Students in grades 10-12  
**Funds:** Awards range from iPads to a \$50,000 scholarship to Lawrence Technological University.  
**Email:** [drivefordesign@fcagroup.com](mailto:drivefordesign@fcagroup.com)  
**Website:** [www.fcadrivedesign.com#](http://www.fcadrivedesign.com#)

### **Enter to Win Siemens Foundation Possibility Grant Sweepstakes**

The sweepstakes gives educators the chance to win funding to help advance STEM at their school.

**Deadline:** April 28, 2017  
**Eligibility:** K-12 Schools  
**Funds:** \$10,000 will be awarded through a random drawing  
**Email:** [foundation.us@siemens.com](mailto:foundation.us@siemens.com)  
**Website:** <http://siemensstemday.com/sweepstakes/enter>

### **NCTM's School In-Service Training Grants for 9-12 Educators**

The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics supports the professional development of high school mathematics teachers. The purpose of this grant is to provide financial assistance to secondary schools for in-service education in mathematics. Costs may include honoraria and expenses for consultants, materials, substitute time, and conference or workshop registrations.

**Deadline:** May 5, 2017  
**Eligibility:** Schools with at least one NCTM member  
**Funds:** A maximum award of \$4,000  
**Email:** [nctm@nctm.org](mailto:nctm@nctm.org)  
**Website:** [http://www.nctm.org/Grants-and-Awards/Grants/School-In-Service-Training-Grants-\(9-12\)](http://www.nctm.org/Grants-and-Awards/Grants/School-In-Service-Training-Grants-(9-12))

### **Little Kids Rock**

Since 2009, Little Kids Rock music programs have been taught by 26 teachers to 2,541 Philly school children. K-12 teachers apply to be trained on an innovative and transformational methodology. After training is complete, teachers receive a donation of curricula, instruments, and other resources so they can launch music programming for students at their schools.

**Deadline:** May 6, 2017  
**Eligibility:** K-12 Schools  
**Website:** [http://littlekidsrock.formstack.com/forms/teacher\\_application&workshop\\_preference=Philadelphia%20Modern%20Band%20Workshop%205-6-17&Special\\_Event\\_ID=a0D380000B2e6Y](http://littlekidsrock.formstack.com/forms/teacher_application&workshop_preference=Philadelphia%20Modern%20Band%20Workshop%205-6-17&Special_Event_ID=a0D380000B2e6Y)

### **Crayola Partners with NAESP for Creative Leadership Grants**

Grants are awarded to elementary and middle schools whose principals are members of NAESP (National Association of Elementary School Principals) for innovative, creative leadership team building within the schools. In order to be considered, the school-based collaborative teams plan inventive ways of infusing creativity throughout the school.

**Early Bird Deadline:** June 5, 2017 for Early Bird Applications. All applicants receive a free Crayola Product Classpack.

**Deadline:** June 23, 2017

**Eligibility:** Elementary and Middle Schools. Please note: Applications will only be accepted from principals who are members of NAESP (National Assoc. of Elementary School Principals).

**Funds:** Up to 20 schools nationwide will receive a \$2,500 grant award in addition to \$1,000 worth of Crayola products.

**Email:** [creativelyalive@crayola.com](mailto:creativelyalive@crayola.com)

**Website:** <http://www.crayola.com/for-educators/ccac-landing/grant-program.aspx>

### **P. Buckley Moss Foundation Grants for Teachers**

The P. Buckley Moss Foundation for Children's Education awards grants to teachers, Pre-K-12, for projects that integrate the arts into educational programs. The Foundation is particularly interested in serving children who "learn differently." The purpose for the grant is to support teachers who wish to establish or maintain an effective learning tool using the visual arts within the school day.

**Deadline:** July 1, 2017 - September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Eligibility:** Pre-K – 12 Educators

**Funds:** Up to \$1,000 grants available

**Address:** 108 W. Wayne Avenue, Waynesboro, VA 22980

**Phone:** (540) 932-1728

**Website:** <http://mossfoundation.org/>

### **Donald Samull Classroom Herb Garden Grant**

The Herb Society of America, as a recipient of a bequest from the estate of Donald Samull, has established herb garden grants for teachers in grades 3 through 6. Mr. Samull was an elementary school teacher who used his love of herbs in the classroom with his 3rd-6th grade students.

These grants will ensure that his tradition of using herbs with students will continue for years to come.

**Deadline:** October 1, 2017

**Eligibility:** Public and/or private 3rd through 6th grade teachers, with classes of a minimum of 15 students may apply for an herb garden grant.

**Funds:** The Herb Society of America will select ten (10) schools/classrooms to receive \$200 "Seed Money" to establish an herb garden (indoor or outdoor). The funds may be used for supplies such as soil, plant trays, containers, child or youth sized tools, etc.

**Address:** The Herb Society of America, 9019 Kirtland Chardon Rd., Kirtland, Ohio 44094

**Phone:** 440.256.0514

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

### **Seeds for Education Grant Program**

"Wild Ones Seeds for Education Grant Program" provides funding for teachers and students to enhance their schoolyards for projects such as attracting songbirds and butterflies to the schoolyard with wildflowers and native grasses.

**Deadline:** October 15, 2017

**Eligibility:** K-12 Schools

**Funds:** Grants of up to \$500 to purchase seeds and plants, and in-kind donations from nursery partners.

**Email:** info@wildones.org  
**Website:** [www.wildones.org/seeds-for-education/sfe](http://www.wildones.org/seeds-for-education/sfe)

## **ONGOING DEADLINES FOR TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND SCHOOLS**

### **Kool Smiles Promotes Dental Health**

**Deadline:** Ongoing  
**Eligibility:** Pre-K through 5 classrooms  
**Funds:** Kool Smiles is supplying teachers with free dental health lesson plans and toothbrushes to help expand dental health education in underserved communities.  
**Website:** [www.mykoolsmiles.com/dentallessonplans](http://www.mykoolsmiles.com/dentallessonplans)

### **New Program at Donors Choose**

DonorsChoose.org announced a new program called “Student Life Essentials.” These projects have the goal of removing barriers to help students focus and succeed in school by supporting their health and well-being.

**Deadline:** Ongoing  
**Eligibility:** K-12 Schools  
**Funds:** \$1 million dollars in matching funds are available  
**Website:** <https://help.donorschoose.org/hc/en-us/articles/115001091407-Student-Life-Essentials>

### **Dicks’s Sporting Goods Foundation**

The Dick’s Sporting Good Foundation supports youth athletic programs in communities across the country. Funding may be used to support team operations, including equipment, facility rental, transportation, lodging, team registration fees and sports camp registration fees.

**Deadline:** Ongoing  
**Eligibility:** Public schools and public charter schools  
**Funds:** Varies, depending on the project  
**Email:** customer.service@dcsf.com  
**Website:** <http://dsgsports.sponsorport.com>

### **Alternative Fuel Foundation**

The Alternative Fuel Foundation’s mission is to offset carbon emissions produced from burning traditional fossil fuels. The foundation collects used cooking oil generated by the food service industry and sees that it is process into clean burning befoul. Preference is given to projects that promote the awareness and use of alternative fuels or the concept of sustainability and projects that encourage parent involvement and build stronger community spirit.

**Deadline:** Ongoing  
**Eligibility:** public or private K-12 schools, or parent groups associated with a public or private nonprofit K-12 school. Schools and parent associations must be located in the Northeast.  
**Funds:** grants from \$250 to \$500  
**Email:** info@alternativefuelfoundation.org

**Website:** [http://www.alternativefuelfoundation.org/grant\\_application.html](http://www.alternativefuelfoundation.org/grant_application.html)

### **Pinnacle Food Service School Breakfast Program**

The Pinnacle Food Service School Breakfast Building Grant Program was created to help enhance existing school breakfast programs or jump-start new ones. These grants are intended to help implement ideas to enhance or expand the participation in the breakfast program. Possible ideas: a welcome back breakfast on the first day of school or after a holiday; a breakfast flyer; a breakfast challenge (friendly competition between grades); a breakfast pep rally; a breakfast sampling offered as a mid-morning snack.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Eligibility:** K-12 public and private schools and districts that participate in the USDA School Breakfast Program. Applicants must have a reimbursable breakfast average daily participation (AD) of less than 40% for the school to increase the breakfast program participation.

**Funds:** Grants up to \$1,000

**Website:** <http://foodservice.pinnaclefoods.com/links/grant-program>

### **YSA Young Hero Award**

Youth Service America (YSA) announced its “Everyday Young Heroes” initiative to include a grant that will support young people in their service to their communities. Projects can provide a direct service, be philanthropic or raise awareness or advocacy around a particular community need. The chosen youth may have a project that is developed in or outside of the classroom, in conjunction with an organization or religious institution or it can be an initiative or organization started by the youth.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Eligibility:** Youth ages 5-25

**Funds:** \$250 grant to continue the service work

**Address:** 101 15<sup>th</sup> St., NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20005

**Phone:** (202) 296-2992

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

**The Mark Wahlberg Youth Foundation** aspires to reach children whose dreams and passions are limited due to financial circumstances and provide them with opportunities that allow them to see the value in their education and planning their future. Public schools and non-profit organizations may apply for grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$125,000. *[NOTE: If you are applying for more than \$20,000, you must contact the Office of Grant Development.]* Past funding has supported school computer labs, alternative youth academies and after school programs.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Address:** The Mark Wahlberg Youth Foundation, P.O. Box 610287, Newton, MA 02461

**Phone:** (617) 454-1125

**Website:** [www.markwahlbergyouthfoundation.com/about](http://www.markwahlbergyouthfoundation.com/about)

**The Awesome Foundation** is a global community advancing the interest of awesome in the universe, \$1,000 at a time. Each chapter supports awesome projects through micro-grants. Micro-grants come out of the pockets of the chapter’s “trustees” and are given on a no-strings-

attached basis to people and groups working on awesome projects. The Philadelphia chapter selects 2 winners, every other month, on the second Tuesday. Recent recipients include Philly #popscope which emphasizes astronomy education for Philadelphia public high school students and the Chester Arthur Elementary School Drum Club.

**Deadline:** Ongoing – Recipients are chosen on the second Tuesday of every other month.

**Website:** <http://www.awesomefoundation.org/en/chapters/philadelphia>

**Classroom Help for Teachers – Digital Wish** is a nonprofit that helps teachers (K-12) solve technology shortfalls in their classrooms. All teachers who submit a technology-based lesson plan on Digital Wish will be automatically entered to win as many as 50 technology grants.

**Deadline:** Ongoing - Grants are awarded on the 15<sup>th</sup> of every calendar month

**Address:** P.O. Box 1072, Manchester Center, VT 05255

**Telephone:** (866) 344-7758

**Email:** [orders@digitalwish.org](mailto:orders@digitalwish.org)

**Website:** <http://www.digitalwish.org>

**Karma for Cara Foundation Community Service Youth Micro-Grants.** Young people 18 and under are invited to apply to help finance a service project in their communities. Project should be connected to a school or other organization. Whether the project is turning a vacant lot into a community garden, refurbishing a school playground or helping senior weatherize their homes, the foundation is interested in hearing what young people are passionate about. Micro-grants range from \$250 to \$1,000 and are distributed as gift cards to home goods stores, office supply stores, grocery stores, and toy stores.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

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

**Pathway to Financial Success.** Discover’s grant program seeks to help high schools incorporate financial education into the curriculum. Amounts vary by program and scope. Special consideration is given to first-time applicants and schools that have a stand-alone curriculum.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Website:** <http://www.pathwaytofinancialsuccess.org/>

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Cabbage Program by Bonnie Plants.**

The program offers free cabbage plants to students in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. This is a unique, hands-on gardening experience through growing colossal cabbages. Students with the biggest cabbages at the end of the growing season can win “best in state” and receive a \$1,000 scholarship from Bonnie Plants.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Website:** <http://bonniecabbageprogram.com/participate/>

### **Fender Music Foundation**

The Foundation awards instruments and equipment to eligible music instruction programs. Items are gently used, blemished and have been collected by manufacturers and retailers. Foundation is currently awarding acoustic guitars, electric guitars, bass guitars and the equipment necessary to play these instruments. A qualified eligible program must be: 1) an in-school music class, in

which students make music, 2) after-school music program not run by the school, 3) community music programs or 4) music therapy programs.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

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

### **Charlie Lovett Fund for Elementary Drama**

The Fund supports production based theatre arts programs at the elementary school level.

Average grant size is \$300. If your application is received after the funds are exhausted that year, you will be invited to reapply for the following year.

**Deadline:** Ongoing basis beginning in August of each school year

**Website:** <http://lovettfoundation.org/mainpages/foundation/Lovett%20Fund.html>

## **FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Sony USA Foundation**

The Sony USA Foundation provides support in the areas of arts, culture, technology and the environment, with a particular emphasis on education in each of those areas.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Funds:** Varies from \$500 - \$62,000

**Email:** selcommunityaffairs@am.sony.com

**Website:** [www.sony.com/en\\_us/SCA/social-responsibility/giving-guidelines.html](http://www.sony.com/en_us/SCA/social-responsibility/giving-guidelines.html)

### **TJX Foundation**

TJX is the parent company for T.J. Maxx, Marshalls and Home Goods. The Foundation's primary mission is to support efforts that lead to better lives for disadvantaged children, women, and families in the United States.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Address:** 770 Cochituate Road, Framingham, MA 01701

**Email:** tjx\_foundation@tjx.com

**Phone:** (774) 308-3199

**Website:** [http://www.tjx.com/corporate/communities\\_foundation\\_faqs.html](http://www.tjx.com/corporate/communities_foundation_faqs.html)

### **Michael and Susan Dell Foundation**

The Foundation provides grants worldwide for projects that help to transform the lives of children living in urban poverty. Priorities include programs that ensure children have access to a quality education, encourage healthy behaviors and ensure access to basic health care and services and programs that foster stable families through microfinance.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Address:** Post Office Box 163867, Austin, TX 78716

**Email:** info@msdf.org

**Website:** <http://www.msdf.org/grants>

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**Website:** <http://www.awesomefoundation.org/en/chapters/philadelphia>

### **The Harry Chapin Foundation**

The Foundation funds three types of programs: community education, arts-in-education and agricultural and environmental programs. Grants are awarded for one year with a maximum request of \$10,000. Nonprofits with a 501(c) 3 are eligible to apply.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Website:** [http://www.harrychapinfoundation.org/focus\\_focusandguidelines.php](http://www.harrychapinfoundation.org/focus_focusandguidelines.php)

### **Kinder Morgan Foundation**

The foundation's K-12 giving focuses especially on academic programs, including tutoring, arts education, and environmental education programs that work with schools and support curriculum. Nonprofits with a 501(c) 3 are eligible to apply.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Website:** [www.kindermorgan.com/community](http://www.kindermorgan.com/community)

### **Henry E. Niles Foundation Inc.**

This Foundation offers grants a few thousand to \$100,000. The Foundation's Board is currently interested in education, economic self-sufficiency and health & independence. Nonprofits with a 501(c) 3 are eligible to apply.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Website:** <http://www.heniles.org/mission.html>

### **PNC Foundation**

The PNC Foundation has earmarked funds for grants to nonprofit organizations which work to directly improve children's school readiness by providing support in one of the following key areas: early childhood education and economic development. Nonprofits with a 501(c) 3 are eligible to apply.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Website:** <http://www1.pnc.com/pncfoundation>

### **Waste Management**

Waste Management is committed to enhancing our communities through programs that help make them cleaner and better places to live. They prefer to support environmental education programs for middle and high school students. Nonprofits with a 501(c) 3 are eligible to apply.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Website:** <http://www.wm.com/about/community/charitable-giving.jsp>