

What is The Olentangy Education Foundation?

The Olentangy Education Foundation was established as a non-profit corporation in 1990 to enhance the academic programs of the Olentangy Local School District (OLSD). Through community investment, college scholarships are awarded to deserving OLSD High School graduates and creative educational programs are funded by grants to enhance school programs that tax dollars cannot support. Additionally, the OEF is establishing an Endowment Fund to support Olentangy Schools in the future. The OEF is a 501(C) (3) charitable organization.

During the 2007-2008 school year, OEF awarded four \$2,000 scholarships to deserving OLSD graduates and over \$30,000 for teacher requested grants. The 2008-2009 school year will include the awarding of four \$2,000 scholarships and over \$22,000 of teacher grants.

Donations may be forwarded to P.O. Box 352, Lewis Center, OH 43035. Checks should be payable to Olentangy Education Foundation.

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Education Grant Application Information

Purpose:

The purpose of the Education Grant Program is to fund creative projects in the Olentangy Local School District (OLSD) that cannot be funded through the OLSD budget and support the district mission to "facilitate maximum learning for every student". The projects should support areas of need identified in the district continuous improvement plan (CIP) and directly enhance learning opportunities for a significant number of OLSD students.

Eligibility:

Any faculty member, with the approval of the building's principal or the faculty member's supervisor, in the OLSD is eligible to apply for an Education Grant.

Guidelines:

- Grant projects must directly impact OLSD students.
- Grants may be used to compensate outside consultants, speakers, etc. who work with students or parents, but may not be used to compensate any OLSD faculty member.
- Grants may be used to purchase tangible items. The items purchased with grant funding are the property of OLSD.
- **If submitting a grant application for a SMART board, please submit how this technology will be uniquely utilized in the classroom in lieu of any SMART board research.**
- If a faculty member transfers among OLSD facilities, the item(s) may also transfer with the faculty member. However, the item(s) may not leave the OLSD and may only transfer to another facility with the permission of the principal or supervisor of both facilities.
- All grant applications must be signed and approved by the facility member's principal or supervisor if not assigned to a specific facility.
- All grants submitted must be implemented and completed for the specific upcoming school year in which the application is submitted.
- Any changes in the approved project's implementation or focus must be approved by OEF prior to continued funding of the project.

- Projects are to be completed by the agreed time frame submitted in the application. The time frame will be agreed upon at the time of the grant approval by OEF.
- Grant applications must be submitted by the stipulated deadline, to the office of Tom Fry, Director of Data, Research and Accountability and member of the OEF Board.
- Grant applications are approved at the sole discretion of the OEF.
- Grant applications must include one original signed application and one (1) blind (without signatures) copies. The deadline for applications for the 2008-2009 school year is the second Friday after the last day of the prior school year. Grant applicants will be notified of acceptance or denial.
- Applicants awarded grants will be required to submit updates to OEF during the project. There will be three observations to occur during the project by a member of the Data, Research and Accountability department. A final report, which must include photos (if available), written evaluation, financial accounting, and printed material distributed to the public **must** be submitted to OEF no later than the last Friday in April. **Grant recipients that do not submit the final report by the stated deadline will not be eligible to receive a grant the following year.**
- **Grant recipients will be required to submit a summary of their grant experience for the year to potentially be submitted for publication. This submission must be received by the beginning of spring break.**
- Any printed material distributed and any announcement of the project to the public must include recognition of the funding from OEF.

Selection Process:

All copies must be submitted no later than June 12, 2009 to:

Olentangy Education Foundation
814 Shanahan Rd.
Lewis Center, OH 43035
Attn: Elaine Johnson

Selection Criteria: (not listed in order of necessary importance)

1. Coordinate with OLSD goals, building focus and impact on student achievement.
2. The number of students directly impacted by the grant.
3. The creativity of the project.
4. The clearly defined method and tools that will be used to measure the desired results.
5. Research data, which supports the project.
6. Clarity and presentation of the grant application.
7. Procedural questions regarding the completion of the application may be directed to any OEF Board member.
8. If requested, the applicant (s) should be prepared to personally present the project to the OEF Board or grant committee.
9. Applications may be rejected for consideration if not submitted within stated guidelines.

Note: Approved funds for projects will be disbursed through the OLSD treasurer's office as needed for expenditures. If determined to be appropriate by the OLSD treasurer, advance funding of material purchase, etc. is permissible. Any unused funds at the completion of the project are to be returned to the OLSD treasurer and are the properties of OEF. All expenditures are subject to audit and the rules associated with any OLSD policy for disbursement of funds.

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Executive Summary

Project Title	
Grade Level	
Number of Students Impacted	
Curriculum Area/Map Line	
Project Dates	
Total Cost of Project	
Total Requested OEF Funds	
Project Description Briefly describe your grant and its primary benefit and objective - 100 Words Max	
If requesting a grant for a SMART board, please indicate how this technology will be uniquely used in your classroom.	
Have you previously received a grant from OEF?	Yes _____ No _____
If yes, when and how were the funds used.	
Teacher Signature	
Principal Signature	

Note: This form must be completed as presented and signed to be considered.

Project Personnel: (only include with original application)

Project Title: _____

Facility (ies) involved: _____

Project Coordinator(s) name(s): _____

Home Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____

Work Telephone: _____

Coordinator/Applicant(s) signature: _____

Other Personnel involved:

Name: _____ Position: _____

Signature: _____

Name: _____ Position: _____

Signature: _____

Principal or Supervisor must sign application. The signature will indicate his/her approval of the project and accepts responsibility to monitor the project's coordinator and the progress of the project.

Principal/Supervisor Name: _____

Facility Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Grant Application (cont'd)

Proposed Budget:

Supplies/Materials	\$ requested from OEF	Other Funding
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Purchased Services (consultants, speakers, etc)

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Equipment/Tangible Materials

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Total Cost of Project: _____

Amount requested from OEF: _____

Any descriptions of equipment or tangible material required for project funding should be included with application.

Grant Application (cont'd)

(Use additional pages if necessary and include any information supporting your application and request for OEF funding)

I. Detail Project Description:

Please Include

- **Number of impacted students**
- **Primary grade level of impacted students**
- **Curriculum areas/map links**
- **Research base**
- **Specific area need addressed by grant**
- **Projected results of the project**

II. Describe the evaluation process for the project to determine if the project met stated goals: