



## YORK SUBURBAN EDUCATION FOUNDATION GRANT GUIDELINES

### Types of Grants and Who May Apply

**Professional Development:** Teachers and administrators may apply; grant maximum will be approximately \$1,000; grant will not pay for travel expenses or substitute teacher.

**Classroom Grants:** Teachers, students, and administrators may apply; grant maximum will be approximately \$1,000.

**Special Projects:** Members of the greater York Suburban community, teachers, students, and administrators may apply; no dollar limit, subject to availability of funds. Applications may be considered at any time of the year. For more information or assistance please contact [info@ysef.org](mailto:info@ysef.org).

### Grant Timing

The Foundation offers two grant cycles.

#### Due Date April 10<sup>th</sup>

- Requests in this cycle include funding for summer programs, the fall semester, or the following full academic year.
- Applicants in this cycle will be notified by early June.

#### Due Date October 10<sup>th</sup>

- Requests in this cycle include funding for spring or summer semester programs
- Applicants in this cycle will be notified by early December.

Grants are not intended to be used for items that would normally be provided through the school budgetary process; are required by local, state, or federal mandates; or for payments to district employees for time spent on project design or implementation.

### YSEF Mission

The York Suburban Education Foundation (YSEF) is an independent, non-profit organization providing funding for innovative programs that enhance the educational experience and foster continued academic excellence for the district students.

### What Projects Are Eligible?

- All projects that fulfill our mission.
- Projects that are innovative in nature.
- Grants may be used for books, educational materials and supplies, computer hardware and/or software, scientific or mathematical equipment, printing expenses, periodical or internet subscriptions, expenses associated with bringing in an outside resource person or facilitator and other uses as part of innovative educational initiatives.
- If project is requesting Pa Tax Credit Program funds the following criteria must be followed: The EITC funds may be used for Innovative Education programs that add value to the curriculum (i.e. math, English, reading, foreign languages, science, biology, chemistry, music, art, service learning and other specific curriculum); the EITC funds may not be used for motivational programs, study habits, drug & alcohol counseling, pregnancy prevention, SAT prep, or athletics. Equipment purchases are eligible so long as they are tied to curriculum enhancement. Lastly, the advanced academic clause prohibits mentoring, tutoring and other remedial or general programs.
- Any equipment purchased through this grant becomes the property of York Suburban School District.
- Grant requests may be partially or wholly funded.