

#### 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; no dollar limit, subject to availability of funds.

**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*.

## **Grant Timing**

The Foundation offers one grant cycle per academic year, with the exception of special projects.

### **Application Due Date is February 1**

- Funding requests will be accepted for summer programs within the same calendar year, or for the following academic school year.
- Applicants will be notified before the end of the school year in which the application was submitted.

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.