



Genesee Education Foundation

ANNOUNCEMENT 2011-2012 PROJECT GRANTS

For The thirteenth year in a row, the Genesee Education Foundation Board is sponsoring an educational project award program to benefit students of the Genesee Joint School District. This year the project grant program has been expanded and is designed to provide project awards of up to \$750.00 to teachers and other interested citizens and groups to implement innovative educational projects during the 2011-12 school year. Funds are made possible by the interest and dividend income of the Foundation endowed investments.

Eligibility: Any person or group is welcome to submit an application for a project which benefits the students of the Genesee Community School.

Objectives: All proposed projects should support the Genesee Joint School District's Long-Range plan and Graduate Expectations (copies available upon request). In addition, the GEF Board is pursuing projects which:

- 1) Benefit the greatest number of students
- 2) Are outside the normal budget process
- 3) Are not for capital improvement projects.

Restrictions: Capital improvement items are not eligible for project awards.

Applications: Applications are available from the school district office or a member of the Board of the Genesee Education Foundation.

Deadline: Applications for project grants will be accepted at any time but will only be acted upon at quarterly meetings of the GEF Board. Applications should be submitted to Wendy Moore, Superintendent.

Questions: Contact Wendy Moore, Superintendent at 330 West Ash Street, Genesee, ID 83832 or call 208-285-1161.

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2011-2012 Project Grant Application

Project Title: _____

Project Coordinator: _____

School/ Organization & Position: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Work phone: _____ Home Phone _____

Other participants (if any): _____

Please give a one or two sentence description of your project (what will the money be used for, not what need it addresses):

Estimated number of students served by your project: _____

Scheduled starting date: _____

Approximate completion date: _____

| Budget | |
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| Foundation funds grant requested | \$ _____ |
| Other funding acquired/ seeking Explain: | \$ _____ |
| Total Project Budget | \$ _____ |

This is a coversheet only. Please continue on to application questionnaire.
2011-2012 PROJECT GRANT APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

INSTRUCTIONS:

- A) Please type or print your responses to the below questions on other paper, indicating the question being answered.
- 1) What need is your project addressing?
 - 2) Describe your project in detail, including other participants and any efforts which have already taken place. Include a tentative time schedule of the steps you will take for implementation. Explain the potential benefits of your project and how it will enhance the existing school program.
 - 3) Who will benefit from the project? How many and in what way(s)?
 - 4) Describe how your project will dovetail with district philosophy and foundation goals.
 - 5) Explain your complete budget needs. If grant request is only for partial funding, indicate which items will be paid for with Foundation funds.
 - 6) Explain how you will evaluate your project to its conclusion, determine its success, and disseminate its results to interested others. Written evaluation and photos are required to be provided to the GEF board. Indicate what items will be provided to the GEF Board and when we can expect them.
- B) Each page submitted should be headed with your name and the name of the project.
- C) Submit six copies of your application to the Superintendent's office. Keep one copy for reference.

We believe:

- 1) All individuals have value and worth.
- 2) All individuals can learn and achieve.
- 3) Honesty, integrity, compassion, courtesy, hard work, respect and good citizenship are genuine qualities worth achieving.
- 4) All individuals are responsible and accountable for their actions.
- 5) Excellence is achievable and worth the investment.
- 6) Learning is a lifelong process and includes all community members.
- 7) The ability to think creatively is necessary in a changing society.
- 8) Education means giving all students the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in life.
- 9) Achievement will rise to the level of expectation.
- 10) Each student must be actively engaged in the learning process to maximize his or her learning potential.
- 11) Education is the source of change not the object of change.
- 12) Personnel are creative, highly qualified and collaborative.
- 13) A safe, orderly and caring environment is necessary for learning.
- 14) School facilities accommodate community education and enrichment.
- 15) The family unit is the primary influence on the development of personal values.

Desired results for student learning:

1. Mastery of core subjects (language arts, world languages, arts, mathematics, economics, science, geography, history, government, civics)
2. Learn from and work collaboratively with diverse individuals
3. Develop financial, economic, business and entrepreneurial literacy
4. Participate effectively in civic life
5. Use available information to make appropriate health-related decisions
6. Demonstrate originality and inventiveness in work
7. Frame, analyze and synthesize information in order to solve problems and answer questions.
8. Articulate thoughts and ideas clearly and effectively through speaking and writing
9. Access, evaluate and utilize information efficiently and effectively
10. Develop media literacy
11. Use technology as a tool to research, organize, evaluate and communicate information
12. Work effectively in a climate of ambiguity and changing priorities
13. Show initiative and assess one's own understanding and learning needs
14. Work appropriately and productively with others
15. Set and meet high standards and goals for delivering quality work on time
16. Use interpersonal and problem-solving skills to encourage and guide others.

GEF objectives:

1. Benefit the greatest number of students
2. Outside the normal budget process
3. Not for capital improvement project

Return your completed application to the Superintendent's Office.

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Responsibilities of Grant Recipients

1. Successful applicants may access their grant funds anytime after approval.
2. Grant funds must be fully spent **within one calendar year** of approval. Any remaining funds will be assimilated by the Foundation.
3. Grant funds must not be overspent. A successful grant awards does not guarantee recipient additional funding in future years beyond the term of the initial project.
4. Project grants are discrete awards and are not dependent on any other matching funds the recipient may or may not receive. If necessary matching funds from other sources are not received recipients may use project grant to fund activities as closely related to the initial project as possible with the approval of the GEF Board.
5. Grant recipients must submit a project report to the GEF Board at the conclusion of the project. The report shall contain an evaluation of the project results; an itemized financial accounting; photographs or other tangible products of the recipient's efforts. Recipients are urged to submit a display board telling about the project.
6. Tangible items purchased or created as part of the project shall be clearly labeled as being made possible, in whole or in part, by a grant from the "Genesee Education Foundation, Inc."
7. Grant recipients may be required to attend meetings or presentations to explain their projects.