

## **Innovative Teaching Grants**

## **Grant Application Packet for Teachers**

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### **Our Mission**

The Beeville Education Foundation partners with the community to inspire and empower Beeville ISD students and educators.

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## Innovative Teaching Grants Timeline

December 2021 Call for Grants

January 31, 2021 Grants Due

February 1-4, 2021 Grant notebooks submitted to Grant Selection Committee

February 7, 2021 Education Foundation Board of Directors Meeting

February 2021 Grants submitted to the School Board

February Prize Party! (Specific Date TBD)



# Innovative Teaching Grants Guidelines for Grant Applications

#### **Purpose**

Innovative Teaching Grants are designed to encourage, facilitate, recognize and reward innovative and creative instructional approaches to the accomplishment of program objectives. The Beeville Education Foundation (BEF) is offering teachers the opportunity to apply for grants to support innovative programs or projects to support higher levels of student learning. The grants must enhance student academic performance and support the objectives, goals, and initiatives of the BISD Strategic Plan.

#### Persons Eligible to Apply for Grants

Individuals or teams of individuals employed by Beeville Independent School District who are involved in the instruction of students or related support services benefiting students.

#### Eligible Proposals

Instructional approaches or projects designed to begin during the 2022-2023 school year and meet the selection criteria. Grants may fund instructional and classroom materials, parent involvement programs, or any activity or material which supports higher levels of student academic achievement.

#### <u>Award of Funds</u>

Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to individual teacher-initiated programs or projects and/or to campus teams, departments, and district-initiated programs or projects. The number of awards will depend on funds available from BEF.

#### Selection Criteria

- The degree to which the grant supports the District goals and the BISD Strategic Plan and is specifically designed to address an area of need substantiated by data.
- The degree to which student academic performance is emphasized.
- The degree to which sound evaluation procedures are incorporated in the proposal.
- The degree to which the proposal represents a creative or innovative approach to the
  accomplishment of objectives. Funds are not typically available for recurring
  programs/projects. (The proposal should address a new project as opposed to one
  accomplished or under way.)
- The degree to which the proposal is clear and logical, including (a) specificity of objectives; (b) clarity of description of instructional procedures, methods or treatments; and (c) correspondence among evaluative procedures, objectives and treatments.

#### Grant Applications should be submitted to the BEF in hard copy format.

Applications should be mailed to: Beeville Education Foundation, P.O. Box 1897, Beeville, TX 78104

Once submitted, grant applications become the property of BEF.

#### **Selection Process**

- 1. Application forms may be obtained online through the BEF website.
- 2. Signed applications are due to the BEF office with a postmark no later than **Monday**, **January 31**, **2021** at **5:00** pm.
- 3. Applications will be reviewed and commented on by the Grant Application Review Committee.
- 4. If recommended for approval, the application is presented to the BEF Board of Directors in summary form for review and formal approval.
- 5. If approved by the BEF Board of Directors, the application is collectively presented to the Beeville ISD School Board for formal acceptance of the grant funds.
- 6. Applicants will be notified of decisions by the date specified by the committee.

#### Responsibilities of Grant Recipients

- Use the awards for the purposes intended.
- Funds must be expended by the end of the semester immediately following award notification. Projects awarded must be fully implemented by the end of the following semester.
- Project must be fully implemented and final report submitted to BEF before recipients can submit an application for another grant.
- Agree to share successful procedures in staff development sessions.

#### When applying for a grant, please remember the following:

- Do not use the name of your campus in the application.
- Grants are to be used to fund projects that cannot be provided for in the school and district budgets.
- Objectives and outcomes should be consistent with the goals of your school and the district.
- Grants cannot be used to fund teacher training or travel. When creating your budget, research carefully and be realistic. Small grants are just as likely to be awarded as large grants. Partial funding will be considered. Funds will not be awarded for budgeted items available from district resources.
- Projects awarded must be fully implemented by the end of the following semester.
- Grant Applications should be submitted to the BEF by mail. A USB flash drive may be
  included with an electronic version of the application.

#### Tips for a Successful Application

#### Statement of Need

- Describe the area of student achievement you wish to address and give any data that supports the need. Please include how this grant addresses district and campus goals.
- Keep the statement simple and straightforward.

#### **Objectives**

- Limit the number of objectives.
- State evaluation in the statement of objectives.
- Be specific.

### Description of Proposed Project/Activity

- Describe the problem or issue addressed.
- Show how the project supports the purpose.
- List steps to be followed in project implementation.
- Relate project to need and objectives.
- Be specific.

#### **Evaluation**

- Relate to stated objectives.
- Indicate how you will know whether the project was successful.

### **Partners**

- Are there others (outside entities) who will participate in this project?
- What will their roles be?

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### IMPORTANT - Do not include the name of your campus in the Project Title or application

Project Title:
Grade(s)Subject(s)Number of Students  (List each grade level)
CHECK ALL THAT APPLY: This project is:  ☐ new to the district ☐ new to my campus ☐ new to me
CHECK ONE: Have you received funds for this project from BISD previously?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
DIRECTIONS: Please provide a summary for each area listed below.
Need: (Describe the area of student achievement you wish to address and give any data that supports the need. Please include how this grant relates to district/campus strategic/action plans.)
Objectives: (State measurable objectives in terms of student behavior or performance.)
Description of Proposed Project/Activity: (Describe what you want to do with the grant funds. List activities and timeline. How is it innovative?)

<b>Evaluation Strategy:</b> (Describe how your program's successes with your pee	•	jectives are met. How	will you share		
<b>Partners:</b> (Identify any school and/or or roles.)	community partners inv	olved in the project a	nd their respective		
<b>Sustainability:</b> (If funded, how will you recurring costs? How will this program/	• •	• • •	What will be the		
DIRECTIONS: Note the budget distribution for each category. Be specific.					
Rudget Items	Amount	Vendor	Budget Code		

Budget Items	Amount	Vendor	Budget Code Business Office
Supplies (please list)			
Equipment			
Contracted Services (list consultants)			
Other:			
TOTAL			