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**Grant Development Newsletter/Grant Opportunities for October**

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**Subject :** Grant Development Newsletter/Grant Opportunities for October

**To :** everyone <everyone@philasd.org>

All,

I am pleased to share the October 2019 issue of the Office of Grant Development newsletter, which features a curated list of grant opportunities for which individual teachers, schools and/or community partners may apply. Formal central office "approval" to apply for any of these grants is not needed, but it is very important that you communicate with your principal about any resources you are hoping to bring into your school.

We strongly encourage you to contact us in the Office of Grant Development if you are considering applying for a grant. Our team of experienced grant-writers can help you by discussing strategy or reviewing drafts. You can also email me directly (my contact info is below, hitting "reply" to this email will not work), or click [here](#) to contact us via our website.

At the end of last school year, the Board of Education adopted a revised policy ([#702 "Gifts, Grants, Donations and Student Fundraising"](#)), which significantly simplifies the process of accepting grants that many individual schools apply for. Individual board action items will no longer be required to legally authorize the acceptance of grants up to \$100,000. All that is required is that the principal or department lead notifies the Office of Grant Development about the source, exact amount, and purpose of the grant in writing. We will then include these grants in a monthly report to the Board. It is important to note, however, that this revised policy only affects the board authorization process, and does not change any policies regarding student activity fund accounts. If the grant is in excess of \$5,000, you are still required to send the check downtown and to manage the funds via the District's Advantage system. You may not deposit any check larger than \$5,000 in your school's student activity fund account. Please contact me if you have any questions about this new policy.

I hope your school year has gotten off to a great start and I wish you luck in all your grant-seeking efforts!

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- <https://fundamentals.thefundsdp.org/>!

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## OGD Newsletter: October 2019 Issue

*Funders may change their mission, strategy, and target recipients at any time. The OGD has reviewed all of the opportunities for appropriateness to our audience, however, it is possible that changes were made after our review. Please be sure to carefully review the funder's policies and practices before beginning any application and reach out to OGD with any changes you find.*

### UPCOMING GRANT OPPORTUNITY DEADLINES OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2019

#### **OPPORTUNITY:** Whole Kids Foundation: Garden Grant Program

- 1. Due Date:** Applications accepted annually from September 1 to October 15
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** K–12 Schools or Non-Profit Organizations in U.S./Canada
- 3. Purpose:** The Garden Grant Program supports edible educational gardens located at a school or non-profit organization.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** \$2,000
- 5. Website:** <https://www.wholekidsfoundation.org/programs/school-gardens-grant>

#### **OPPORTUNITY:** American Chemical Society: Hach Professional Development Grant

- 1. Due Date:** Applications accepted between October 15-January 4
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** High school chemistry educators
- 3. Purpose:** ACS requests applications for the ACS-Hach Professional Development Grant program. The program supports high school chemistry teachers as they identify and pursue opportunities that advance their professional development. The program also helps chemistry teachers to enhance the teaching and learning of chemistry in their classrooms.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Grants up to \$1500
- 5. Website:** <https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and->

[awards/hachprograms/acs-hach-professional-development-grant.html](https://www.acs-hach.com/awards/hachprograms/acs-hach-professional-development-grant.html)

**OPPORTUNITY:** Captain Planet Foundation

- 1. Due Date:** Applications accepted between Sept. 15 and Jan. 15
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** PreK-12 Schools
- 3. Purpose:** The Captain Planet Foundation solicits applications for the ecoTech Grants program. The program seeks to engage children in inquiry based, STEM-related projects that leverage technology and/or use nature-based designs to address environmental problems in local communities.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Up to \$2500
- 5. Website:** <https://captainplanetfoundation.org/grants/ecotech>

**OPPORTUNITY:** PCCY Picasso Project Teacher-Based Grant

- 1. Due Date:** Oct. 28
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Must be completed by teachers in Philadelphia public schools. Applicant schools may have no more than 2 full-time arts teachers on staff, including teachers in art, music, dance, drama, and digital media (not including part-time/itinerant teachers) and must have an Economically Disadvantaged Rate of 50% or higher. Can't receive 3 consecutive years.
- 3. Purpose:** Picasso Project provides grants to support innovative teacher-driven arts projects (visual art, music, dance, theater, and digital media) in Philadelphia public schools. Additionally, grant recipients engage in advocacy activities to support equitable arts education funding for Philadelphia's students.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Grants of up to \$5000. Awarded to approximately 10 schools annually.
- 5. Website:** <https://www.pccy.org/initiatives/picasso-project/how-to-apply/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Hershey Heartwarming Project Action Grants

- 1. Due Date:** Oct. 31
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Applicants must: - Be within the ages of 13 -18; Have a parent, guardian, educator, administrator, or other adult to endorse the

application, Be based in the U.S., Plan to use the provided funds between August 2019 and June 2020

- 3. Purpose:** Are you a changemaker for inclusion? Are you passionate about creating more connection and belonging where you live? If you want to put your ideas into action – to #stand4good - for belonging, connection, empathy and kindness – in your school, community or beyond, we want to help you make it happen.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Up to four hundred \$250 grants will be awarded
- 5. Website:** [http://www.thehersheycompany.com/en\\_us/](http://www.thehersheycompany.com/en_us/)

**OPPORTUNITY: Toshiba America Foundation**

- 1. Due Date:** Nov. 1
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Teachers of grades 6-12 on behalf of their schools
- 3. Purpose:** Toshiba America Foundation supports teacher-led projects with the potential to provide students with opportunities to “do science” in ways that increase their engagement with the subject matter and improve their learning. The foundation strongly encourages projects planned and led by individual teachers or teams of teachers for their own classrooms.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Grants of at least \$5,000 will be awarded
- 5. Website:** <http://www.toshiba.com/taf/612.jsp>

**OPPORTUNITY: Annie’s Grants for Gardens**

- 1. Due Date:** Nov. 1
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** The school garden must be an edible school garden (growing fruits, vegetables, herbs, grains, etc).
- 3. Purpose:** Annie's Grants for Gardens support food education and make healthy gardens accessible to hundreds of students across the country. Connecting kids to gardens helps them to start thinking more holistically about their food, their communities, and the planet.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** \$3,000 for new grant applicants and \$5,000 for returning Grants for Gardens winners

5. Website: <https://www.annies.com/giving-back/grants-for-gardens/grant-eligibility>

**OPPORTUNITY: Klorane Botanical Foundation: 2020 Budding Botanist Grant**

1. Due Date: Nov. 9
2. Eligible Applicants: Title 1 public or charter schools K-12
3. Purpose: The Budding Botanist Grant will help our youngest citizens learn about plants, explore their world and inspire them to take care of the life they discover in their local ecosystems. Applicants must be planning a new or expanding an existing school garden program designed to teach students about environmental sustainability and the importance of biodiversity.
4. Estimated Range of Awards: 3 schools will be awarded a \$2,250 package. 9 schools will be awarded a \$1,250 package.
5. Website: <https://kidsgardening.org/2020-budding-botanist-grant/>

**OPPORTUNITY: The Dudley T Dougherty Foundation**

1. Due Date: Dec. 3
2. Eligible Applicants: Nonprofit organizations
3. Purpose: DTDF supports projects in the Arts; Community; Education; Environment; Healthcare; and Peace categories.
4. Estimated Range of Awards: \$200 - \$10,000
5. Website: <https://www.dudleytdoughertyfoundation.org>
6. Other Info: Foundation will only accept ONE application from each individual school address. If more than one is received, the older application is deleted, so be sure to coordinate with your colleagues.

**OPPORTUNITY: The Red Apple Fund for Student Enrichment: Visit the Delaware Art Museum**

1. Due Date: Visits between January 2, 2020 – May 31, 2020 (Application Deadline: December 10, 2019)
2. Eligible Applicants: All public, private, and parochial schools in any state are eligible to apply for a Red Apple Fund School Tour Grant
3. Purpose: School tours of the Delaware Art Museum
4. Estimated Range of Awards: \$500.00

5. Website: <https://www.delart.org/education/red-apple-fund/>

**OPPORTUNITY: Kids Gardening: Youth Garden Grant**

1. Due Date: Dec. 16
2. Eligible Applicants: Any nonprofit organization, public or private school, or youth program in the United States or US Territories planning a new garden program or expanding an established one that serves at least 15 youth between the ages of 3 and 18 is eligible to apply
3. Purpose: The Youth Garden Grant has supported school and youth educational garden projects that enhance the quality of life for students and their communities.
4. Estimated Range of Awards: 25 programs will be awarded. Top 5 will receive packages valued at \$2360. 20 programs will receive packages valued at \$775.
5. Website: <https://kidsgardening.org/2020-youth-garden-grant/>

**ONGOING GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

**OPPORTUNITY: Barnes & Noble**

1. Due Date: Ongoing
2. Eligible Applicants: Nonprofit organizations and preK—12 schools.
3. Purpose: Barnes & Noble provides support for literacy, the arts, and preK—12 education; with sponsorship and donations, such as in store book fairs and holiday gift-wrapping. For donation and sponsorship requests, applicants should submit their proposal to the community business development manager or store manager at their local Barnes & Noble store. A limited number of proposals will be forwarded to the district manager and national business development department for approval.
4. Estimated Range of Awards: Varies
5. Contact: The community business development manager or store manager at your local Barnes & Noble store

**OPPORTUNITY: Justin J. Watt Foundation**

1. Due Date: Ongoing based on athletic season.
2. Eligible Applicants: Afterschool sports programs running from 3- 5pm for youth 6th-8th

grades. Must have a secure place to store uniforms and equipment they support.

- 3. Purpose:** Seeks to provide after-school opportunities for middle school-aged children in the community to become involved in athletics by funding re-usable equipment and uniforms.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Varies
- 5. Website:** <http://jjwfoundation.org/request-funds/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Victor C. Clark Youth Incentive Program

- 1. Due Date:** Ongoing
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** High school radio clubs, youth groups, and general-interest radio clubs that sponsor subgroups of young people.
- 3. Purpose:** The ARRL Foundation's objective is providing support for the development of Amateur Radio among high-school age (or younger) youth. Funded by endowment and contributor support, the Program makes mini-grants available to groups that demonstrate serious intent to promote participation in Amateur Radio by youth.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Maximum \$1000.00
- 5. Website:** <http://www.arrl.org/the-victor-c-clark-youth-incentive-program>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Kool Smiles Promotes Dental Health

- 1. Due Date:** Ongoing
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Educators of preK to 5th grade.
- 3. Purpose:** Kool Smiles offers customized lesson plans designed to educate children in grades preK-5th about the importance of proper dental hygiene. Teachers and parents alike can use these entertaining tools as a fun way to demonstrate the science of how our bodies work as well as stress the importance of smart diet choices and effective cleaning habits.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** NA
- 5. Website:** <https://www.mykoolsmiles.com/dentallessonplans>

**OPPORTUNITY: Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation**

- 1. Due Date:** Ongoing
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Schools and 501 C (3)
- 3. Purpose:** Our mission is to inspire and enable high-poverty youth to participate in sports.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Maximum request \$25,000.00.
- 5. Website:** <https://www.sportsmatter.org/faq/>

**OPPORTUNITY: Alternative Fuel Foundation**

- 1. Due Date:** Ongoing
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Any individual non-profit public or private K-12 school or parent group associated with a non-profit public or private K-12 school.
- 3. Purpose:** There is a preference for funding requests that promote the awareness and use of alternative fuels or promote the concept of sustainability. Projects that encourage parent involvement and build stronger community spirit will be favored.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Typical grants range from \$250-\$500. Larger grants will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- 5. Website:** <https://www.alternativefuelfoundation.org/grants/>

**OPPORTUNITY: YSA Young Hero Award**

- 1. Due Date:** Ongoing
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Young people, ages 5-25, who are improving their communities through service to others and making significant progress in achieving the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- 3. Purpose:** Projects can provide a direct service, be philanthropic or raise awareness or advocacy around a particular community need. The chosen youth may have a project that is developed in or outside of the classroom, in conjunction with an organization or religious institution or it can be an initiative or organization started by the youth.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** \$250 grant to continue the service work

**5. Website:** Nomination Form at <http://ysa.org/awards/eyh/>

**OPPORTUNITY: The Awesome Foundation**

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing- every other month on the second Tuesday

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Everyone

**3. Purpose:** Awesome projects include initiatives in a wide range of areas including arts, technology, community development, and more. Many awesome projects are novel or experimental, and evoke surprise and delight. Awesome sometimes challenges and often inspires.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** \$1000 grants for 2 winners

**5. Website:** <https://www.awesomefoundation.org/en/chapters/philadelphia>

**OPPORTUNITY: Karma for Cara Foundation Grants**

**1. Due Date:** Quarterly - October 1; January 1; April 1; July 1

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Students 18 years of age and under

**3. Purpose:** We fund microgrant applications supporting a wide variety of projects and events; evidence of your creativity and ingenuity only serves to fuel the likelihood that your application will be successfully funded.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Between \$250 and \$1,000

**5. Website:** <http://karmaforcara.org/apply-for-a-microgrant/>

**6. Other Info:** This application may include school-based projects, such as school gardens and playgrounds.

**OPPORTUNITY: 3rd Grade Cabbage Program by Bonnie Plants**

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** 3rd Grade Classrooms

**3. Purpose:** The program offers free cabbage plants to students in the 3rd grade. This is a unique, hands- on gardening experience through growing colossal cabbages. Students with the biggest cabbages at the end of the growing season can win “best in state” and receive a \$ 1,000 scholarship from Bonnie Plants.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Competition for \$1,000.00 Scholarship

**5. Website:** <http://bonniecabbageprogram.com/participate/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Ross Dress for Less - Store-Based Giving

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Federal tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations or schools

**3. Purpose:** Create brighter futures by building academic achievement and life skills in economically disadvantaged youth, ages 3-24, in communities within 25 miles of a Ross Dress for Less or dd's DISCOUNTS Store

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Primarily in the form of gift cards

**5. Website:** <https://corp.rossstores.com/responsibility/supporting-our-communities/store-based-giving-guidelines/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Pets in the Classroom Grants Program

**1. Due Date:** August 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

**2. Eligible Applicants:** PreK through 9th grade public or private school teacher in the US or Canada

**3. Purpose:** Pets in the Classroom is an educational grant program that provides financial support to teachers to purchase and maintain small animals in the classroom. The program was established by the Pet Care Trust to provide children with an opportunity to interact with pets—an experience that can help to shape their lives for years to come.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** A Pet

**5. Website:** <https://www.petsintheclassroom.org/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Lumber Liquidators' Lay It Forward Program

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Nonprofit organizations, schools, arts facilities, and community groups.

**3. Purpose:** Since 2007, Lumber Liquidators has donated more than 300,000 square feet of flooring to nonprofit organizations, schools, arts facilities, community groups, and more. That's enough flooring to cover more than five football fields!

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** In-kind donation of flooring and monetary donations

**5. Website:** <https://www.lumberliquidators.com/layitforward/>

**OPPORTUNITY: Good Sports Equipment Grants**

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Schools and Athletic programs

**3. Matching Funds:** 5% of the value of goods donated

**4. Purpose:** Good Sports gives all kids the lifelong benefits of sport and physical activity by providing equipment, apparel and footwear to those most in need.

**5. Estimated Range of Awards:** Equipment

**6. Website:** <https://www.goodsports.org/apply/>

**7. Other Info:** Live application that requires district information. Please contact OGD for assistance.

**OPPORTUNITY: After-School All-Stars**

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** K-12 schools with a high percentage of children from low-income families

**3. Purpose:** After-School All-Stars provides support for high-quality afterschool programs that have a proven track record of improving student achievement and attendance, building a deep sense of belonging for kids within their school community, improving social-emotional health, and increasing school safety.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** NA

**5. Website:** <https://afterschoolallstars.org/asas-in-your-school/>

**OPPORTUNITY: Axalta All-Pro Teachers**

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing based on NFL season

**2. Eligible Applicants:** 5th through 12th grade teachers in the tri-state area

- 3. Purpose:** Axalta All-Pro Teachers is a program that recognizes outstanding 5th through 12th grade teachers in the tri-state area for their contribution to their students, school and community. During the NFL season, Axalta and the Philadelphia Eagles will select ten (10) exceptional teachers to be honored in their classrooms and by Eagles fans.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** 10 teachers will receive \$2000 donation for school, Eagles tix and memorabilia, and invite to Teacher of the Year Dinner; Teacher of the Year will receive additional \$5000 donation and Eagles Pep Rally
- 5. Website:** <http://fanpages.philadelphiaeagles.com/axalta-program.html>
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