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I am pleased to share another 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 email us at grants@philasd.org, or find more resources on our webpage.

https://www.philasd.org/grants/

Good luck to everyone pursuing grants on behalf of Philadelphia public schools, and Happy Holidays!

Michael Sonkowsky, Deputy Chief
Office of Grant Development

NOTE: Funders may change their mission, strategy, and target recipients at any time and some funders have stopped accepting proposals during the pandemic. The OGD has reviewed all of the opportunities to ensure that all are still accepting applications as of September 30th and are appropriate for 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.
OGD Announcements

**Missed the sign up period for School Resource Academy?**

No worries! OGD offers ongoing support for school-based staff, external partners, and parents in pursuing funding to support Philly public schools. Whether your project is small or big, please reach out to us!

**Have questions?**
Please contact

**Email:** Grants@philasd.org or visit our **Website:** OGD Website
Grant Opportunities

Opportunity: 2022 Youth Garden Grant

Due Date: Friday, December 17th, 2021

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.

Purpose: Since 1982, the Youth Garden Grant has supported school and youth educational garden projects that enhance the quality of life for students and their communities.

Estimated Range of Awards: Award packages valued at $1050

Website: https://kidsgardening.org/2022-youth-garden-grant/?mc_cid=3a87ad9c90&mc_eid=e5e8e6ca38

Opportunity: The Peter R. Marsh Foundation, Middle School Music Grant.

Due Date: September 1 - January 31st, 2021

Eligible Applicants: All public Middle Schools in the United States, which have a music curriculum, are eligible to apply for the Peter R. Marsh Foundation’s Music Grant.

Purpose: The primary purpose of the Music Grant Program is to support schools in their prioritized efforts to embed social and emotional intelligence in students. Student participation in public service activities is widely recognized as an effective way to accomplish this objective. The Music Grant Program endows student public service.

Estimated Range of Awards: $1,000

Website: https://www.prmfoundation.org/music-grant/
Grant Opportunities

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Grant Opportunities

**Opportunity:** Aldi's Smart Kids Program

**Due Date:** The application window opens August 1

**Eligible Applicants:** Applicants must be tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, public or private K-12 schools, or faith-based organizations that benefit children in their communities.

**Purpose:** The ALDI grocery store chain is inviting applications for its ALDI Smart Kids program, which provides support to organizations working to address the health and wellness needs of children in communities where ALDI has stores, warehouses, offices, and conducts business. To that end, grants will be awarded to local community organizations that encourage children to actively participate in the areas of education, physical activity, nutrition, socializing, and the arts.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** $5,000


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**Opportunity:** The Awesome Foundation

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

**Eligible Applicants:** Anyone

**Purpose:** To support anyone working on a project to improve their community in Philadelphia

**Estimated Range of Awards:** $1,000

**Website:** [https://www.awesomefoundation.org/en/chapters/philadelphia](https://www.awesomefoundation.org/en/chapters/philadelphia)
Grant Opportunities

**Opportunity:** Lovett Fund for Elementary Drama

**Due Date:** Rolling basis, being in August of each school year

**Eligible Applicants:** Elementary Educators, 501c3s

**Purpose:** Funding is available for the production of plays and musicals performed by elementary school students (grades 1–5) in a school program.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** $300

**Website:** [http://lovettfoundation.org/apply.html](http://lovettfoundation.org/apply.html)

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

**Due Date:** Ongoing

**Eligible Applicants:** 501c3s

**Purpose:** To inspire and enable high-poverty youth to participate in sports.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** Up to $25,000

**Website:** [https://www.sportsmatter.org/faq/](https://www.sportsmatter.org/faq/)
Grant Opportunities

Opportunity: Classics Association of the Atlantic States Grant

Due Date: Rolling

Eligible Applicants: Teachers

Purpose: Each year CAAS offers its members grant money to strengthen the teaching of and foster public support for the languages, civilizations, and cultures of ancient Greece and Rome.

Estimated Range of Awards: $600

Website: https://caas-cw.org/caas/grants/

Opportunity: SnapDragon Book Foundation

Due Date: November 2021-February, 2022

Eligible Applicants: Any school library that serves disadvantaged youth may apply.

Purpose: The Snapdragon Book Foundation was started in December, 2008 to provide funds to improve school libraries for disadvantaged children. Grants will be awarded to public, private, and experimental schools.

Estimated Range of Awards: Grants typically range from $2,500 to $10,000.

Website: http://snapdragonbookfoundation.org/application/
Grant Opportunities

Opportunity: Team First Book Philadelphia

Due Date: The 1st of every month

Eligible Applicants: Community-based mentoring, tutoring, and family literacy programs

Purpose: TFBP provides new books to children in need addressing one of the most important factors affecting literacy – access to books. TFBP supplies books to schools, after-school programs and other organizations that already have the tools to teach and use the books for lessons, and then the books go home with the kids so they can share the joy of reading with their family and friends. All books distributed by First Book are brand new and are provided at no cost to the child.

Estimated Range of Awards: Varies

Website: https://www.firstbookphiladelphia.org/apply-for-books
School-Based Staff ONLY: DonorsChoose Match Offers

Make sure to check out this month's DonorsChoose March Offers for Pennsylvania!

https://www.donorschoose.org/match-offers

Some Current Highlights Include:

**Please note that match offers change frequently**

- 2x or 3x Matching Grants for Literacy Resource Kits:

- Tony the Tiger and Kellogg’s Frosted Flakes® 2x matching donations on middle school sports projects:

- Reading Plus Subscriptions 2X matching Grant:

Don't see a match offer for your classroom, consider making your own, start your project today www.donorschoose.org
Literacy Resources for Teachers

Some Current Highlights Include:

**Please note that some resources require memberships**

The Book Bank is member supported through annual dues of just $25. In exchange for those dues, Book Bank Members receive up to 375 books per school year, as well as classroom supplies, with a combined value of over $4,000. We are chiefly supported by the kind and generous donations of many individual, community, and corporate partners.

**Note:** The Philly Book Bank is located at Martin Luther King High School, 6100 Stenton Avenue, Room T137.

Book Smiles: [https://www.booksmiles.org/](https://www.booksmiles.org/)
BookSmiles, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, promotes literacy and the joy of reading by giving books to children throughout New Jersey and Greater Philadelphia. We provide students and younger siblings with high-quality new or gently used books, laying the groundwork for academic success.

Your online donation of $25 will provide you with 100 books to distribute to your students and school community!
Additional Resources

Policy 702

Policy 702.2

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