



Foundation for Eden Prairie Schools

The **Foundation for Eden Prairie Schools** is offering a 2017 Grant Opportunity. **FEPS has money for you!** If a good idea arises from your PLC or discussions with your principal, please share it with us! We have money to help make your students' academic achievement dreams come true. **Submit the application by Thursday, February 2, 2017.** Please read the following criteria as they have changed.

Application (A PDF and Doc is available at www.FoundationforEPSchools.org) Due 2/2/17:

Proposal should match the following criteria:

- Be generated through discussions in a PLC or with your Principal.
- Have a high probability of significant impact on student achievement and engagement.
- Fit with the District Strategic Plan.
- Include a new or different teaching/learning material or practice, which is not currently used in the district.
- Have a specific budget and explanation of how your funds will be spent prior June 30, 2017.
- Support projects that have the potential to be duplicated by other classrooms or sites.
- Impact a significant number of students and/or impact a small number of students in a significant way over time.
- Be primarily non-consumable (consumable items & training are allowable, if needed to use the new equipment).

The goals of the FEPS staff grant program are to:

- Provide financial grants to Eden Prairie education professionals seeking to make significant change in how teachers teach and students learn.
- Serve as an incubator for great ideas that impact curriculum, instruction, and assessment while achieving meaningful, measurable results.
- Fund projects that are student-focused and positively affect student learning.

Some reasons why grant requests will **not be approved include:**

- FEPS Staff Grants cannot be used to fund travel expenses of students/staff, teacher stipends, costs of reserve teachers, classroom furniture, or grant requests of less than \$500 or more than \$15,000.
- Any proposals, which are not related to academic achievement, cannot be funded.
- If the cost per student is exceptionally high and/or the number of students affected is very low, then it cannot be funded.
- If the goal of the project is unclear or does not have a sound plan to measure success, then it cannot be funded.
- If the proposal requests the purchase of technology or software that cannot be supported by the district, then it cannot be funded. Or, if the proposal requests funds that could be funded by other sources within the district, then it cannot be funded by FEPS.
- If the project is not creative or new to the district, then it will not be funded.

FEPS has funded many successful projects for staff through the years. Please help us continue our mission to support and enhance the legacy of excellence in Eden Prairie Public Schools. Examples of past grants can be found at www.FoundationforEPSchools.org. If you have any questions, or would like to submit a grant, you may e-mail them to FEPS at SCheesman@EdenPr.org.