



# Classroom Grants for Teachers Information

## The Concept

Classroom grant programs have evolved throughout the nation to meet the needs present today in most public school districts. These grants are given out to supplement programs and projects that may not be covered under the regular building and classroom budget.

## The Program

The Freeport Area School District Foundation will reward the creation of exciting and innovative educational ideas through the Classroom Grants for Teachers Program. **Grants start at \$250** and will be awarded to enable unique teaching strategies to become a reality. **APPLICATIONS DUE BY 3/14/2022 at 5 P.M.**

## Selection

All applications will be reviewed by business and community leaders who are part of the FASD Foundation. Based on the availability of funds, the projects will be chosen on a competitive basis.

After approval by the building principals, the FASD Foundation Board of Directors will give final approval to all funded projects in early March. Interested teachers should fill out the two-page application carefully. Proposals will be reviewed with respect to the following criteria:

1. Is the project both innovative and curriculum-related?
2. Is the proposed project clearly stated? Are the goals realistic and worthwhile?
3. Are the procedures to be followed clearly described: Are the methods, needed materials, resource personnel, tentative schedule and completion date specified?
4. Is the budget request detailed and reasonable? (*All proposals must include an itemized budget*)
5. Could this project be funded through the regular building budget?
6. Does this project have the potential to involve the community in some way?
7. Can this project become part of the regular curriculum? Does it have the potential to affect a large number of pupils?

## **Application Procedure**

Applicants should work through the following process:

1. Think of a project you would like to try. When developing the project, you may wish to include other teachers, administrators, and / or parents.
2. Obtain prices for the needed materials and supplies. Develop an itemized budget.
3. Carefully complete the application form. If you need an additional copy of the application it is available on the FASDF website.
4. **COMPLETE YOUR ONLINE APPLICATION HERE:** <https://forms.gle/L6oZ8vJekPWPLGTJ6>
5. Applications must be submitted by **Monday, March 14, 2022 @ 5 p.m.**
6. Questions about your application? Email [aoneill@fasdf.org](mailto:aoneill@fasdf.org).

## **Important to Notice**

1. Projects which will take several weeks to complete and have potential to become part of the regular curriculum have a better chance of being funded than “one and done” projects.
2. Building principals will review all applications prior to submission to the Foundation. Applicants will be notified of the Foundation Board’s decision. **Projects must be completed by 5/26/22.**

## **Project Wrap Up**

1. **Awardees must submit a detailed accounting of FASDF funds spent and a final summary of the project prior to 6/15/2022.**
2. Please submit pictures of your classroom/students/resources that showcase your grant project to [aoneill@fasd.org](mailto:aoneill@fasd.org), ASAP!

# Freeport Area School District Foundation

## Classroom Grants for Teachers: PAST RECIPIENTS

**2020-2021**

**Total Granted: \$9,614.14**

**Applicants: 5**

| Teacher         | Project Title                            |  | Amount     |
|-----------------|--|--|------------|
| Mark Dempster   | Advanced Manufacturing                   |  | \$2,000.00 |
| Heather Fortuna | The Science of Ceramics                  |  | \$1,668.94 |
| Sara Jeffers    | Digital Drawing Tablets for the Art Room |  | \$1,199.40 |
| Mike Kocon      | CNC Plasma Cutting                       |  | \$4,400.00 |
| Carolyn VanCott | Reading Competition Books                |  | \$345.80   |

**2019-2020**

**Total Granted: \$8,067.85**

**Applicants: 8**

| Teacher         | Project Title   |      | Amount     |
|-----------------|---|------|------------|
| Mark Caruso     | Energy & Aero Planes: Propelling Up, Up and Around!                 | EITC | \$1,655.32 |
| Mark Dempster   | Engineering & Design for Computer Aided Manufacturing & CNC Milling |      | \$923.30   |
| Heather Fortuna | Glass Art   |      | \$1,436.77 |
| Mike Kleckner   | Additive Manufacturing  | EITC | \$1,694.83 |
| Mike Kocon      | Oberg Industries Pre-Apprenticeship Program                         | EITC | \$2,357.63 |

**2018-2019**

**Total Granted: \$6,458.97**

**Applicants: 11**

| Teacher       | Project Title                                  |  | Amount     |
|---------------|--|--|------------|
| Mark Dempster | Engineering Applications for 3D Printers       |  | \$1,000.00 |
| Mike Kleckner | Create Learning/Pre-Apprenticeship Opportunity |  | \$2,598.97 |
| Mike Kocon    | CNC/Pre-Apprenticeship Opportunity             |  | \$260.00   |
| Mike Kocon    | Engineering Applications for CNC Milling       |  | \$2,600.00 |

**2017-2018**

**Total Granted: \$2,345.00**

**Applicants: 3**

| Teacher        | Project Title  |  | Amount     |
|----------------|--|--|------------|
| Mark Dempster  | Bots IQ  |  | \$1,451.00 |
| Eleanor Savage | Technology Integration in Science to Implement a Paperless Classroom |  | \$894.00   |

**2016-2017**

**Total Granted: \$829.58**

**Applicants: 5**

| Teacher         | Project Title                    |  | Amount   |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Erika Planavsky | Kindle Fire                      |  | \$432.92 |
| Angie Zollinger | For the Love and Fun of Learning |  | \$396.66 |

**2015-2016**

**Total Granted: \$1,111.36**

**Applicants: 8**

| Teacher         | Project Title                                |  | Amount   |
|-----------------|--|--|----------|
| Jodi Crytzer    | KEVA Planks and Q-BA-MAZE Building Materials |  | \$714.70 |
| Angie Zollinger | Iditarod: The Last Great Race                |  | \$396.66 |

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## Classroom Grant Application 2021-2022

Applicant Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level/ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Budget Request: (\$250+) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this page and answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper that will be turned in with this application:**

1. Write a brief (one to two paragraphs) summary of the project
2. What challenge will this grant address? Tell why you think there is a special need for this project.
3. Describe your project in detail. Discuss methods, needed materials, resource personnel, a tentative schedule, and expected completion date.
4. Approximately how many people will be affected by this project? Explain how you arrived at this number.
5. EVALUATION – How will you determine whether your objectives have been achieved? You will be required to write a one-page evaluation at the conclusion of your project.
6. Please provide a detailed budget request. Include specific information such as kinds of materials and equipment needed, supply sources and costs. (Substitute costs and prizes/giveaways are not eligible for grant funding)

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Building Principal Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE to Submit Grants: Monday, March 14, 2022 @ 5 p.m.**

**COMPLETE YOUR ONLINE APPLICATION HERE: <https://forms.gle/L6oZ8vJekPWPLGTJ6>**

Questions about your proposal? Email Amy O'Neill, Executive Director FASDF at [aoneill@fasdf.org](mailto:aoneill@fasdf.org).