



Grant Opportunities

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Teacher Ranger Teacher PD Opportunity

Ending Soon!

Deadline: May 14, 2016

Source: National Park Service (NPS) – Tonto National Monument Park (TNM)

Description: The Teacher Ranger Teacher program is a professional development opportunity for K-12 teachers to spend the summer acquiring new skills in experimental learning through a program provided by a partnership between the National Park Service and the University of Colorado Denver. The participants will spend between four and six weeks at Tonto National Monument developing a major educational project and participating in an online graduate course from CU Denver. The goal of the program is to train teachers in the resources and themes of the NPS so that they can return to their schools in the fall and incorporate their new skills into their classroom activities. NPS aims to especially reach students from underserved schools and districts by recruiting teachers from Title 1, urban or rural schools and from tribal schools to participate in the Teacher Ranger Teacher program. The program runs from June 1 through September 2. A stipend of \$3,000 is awarded upon completion of the program and graduate course requirements. The application is posted at www.gilacountyesa.org under Upcoming Events. For more information, contact TNM park ranger Libby Schaaf at 928-467-2241, ext. 8400 or by email to libby_schaaf@nps.gov.

Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants

Ending Soon!

Deadline: May 19, 2016

Source: Dollar General Literacy Foundation

Description: The Dollar General Literacy Foundation Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. Grant funding is provided to assist in the following areas:

- Implementing new or expanding existing literacy programs
- Purchasing new technology or equipment to support literacy initiatives
- Purchasing books, materials, or software for literacy programs

Grant winners will be announced on September 1, 2016. The maximum grant amount is

\$4,000. Apply online.

White House Student Film Festival

Deadline: July 15, 2016

Source: The White House Student Film Festival

Description: Submissions for the 3rd annual White House Student Film Festival are now being accepted. The theme is “The World I Want To Live In”, and all U.S. students, in grades K-12, are invited to participate by submitting a video that is a maximum of three minutes long. The official selections will be featured on the White House website and shared across the world on the White House sites and official social media accounts. If selected, the student may have the chance to attend the film festival in person at the White House.

Toshiba America Foundation Math & Science Grants

Deadlines: Grade 6-12 grant requests greater than \$5,000 are due August 1; Grade 6-12 grant requests less than \$5,000 are accepted on a rolling basis; Grade K-5 grant requests up to \$1,000 are due October 1

Source: Toshiba America Foundation (TAF)

Description: Toshiba America Foundation offers grants of up to \$1,000 for K-5 teachers and grants of up to \$5,000 or more for teachers of grades 6-12. TAF strongly encourages projects planned and led by individual teachers or teams of teachers for their own classrooms and which tap into the natural curiosity of their students, enable students to frame their own scientific questions, and incorporate the expertise of community partners. Applications are accepted online only and must be for project-based learning. Requests solely for hardware will not be considered.

SRP ‘Powering Our Future’ Mini-Grants

Deadline: Year-round

Source: Salt River Project (SRP)

Description: SRP’s Powering Our Future is a comprehensive renewable energy education program available free-of-charge to all Arizona educators. With SRP Power Our Future Grants, classroom teachers in grades 4-12 can receive up to \$350 in funding to purchase supplementary materials and supplies to teach the hands-on components of the Powering Our Future curriculum. The program requires participation in a free in-service workshop. Find more information as well as grant-writing tips on the website.

National Education Association Foundation Grants

Deadline: Varies

Source: National Education Association Foundation

Description: The National Education Association Foundation for the Improvement of Education offers numerous grants and awards for educators. Grant opportunities are updated regularly on the Foundation's website.

AIAA Foundation Classroom Grant Program

Deadline: Fall of 2016

Source: American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA)

Description: The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Foundation awards grants of up to \$250 to worthy projects that significantly influence student learning. A clear connection to science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) with an emphasis on aerospace must be made in the grant proposal. Teachers must be current AIAA Educator Associate members actively engaged in K-12 classroom education prior to receiving the grant. Grant requests may be submitted during two cycles, one in the fall and one in the spring. LEGO grants will be considered for up to \$250 per team for participation in robotics competitions. The money must be used for parts and not for admission registration fees or T-shirts. The AIAA Foundation must be acknowledged as a team sponsor. Read the full grant guidelines on the website before submitting a proposal.

National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation Grants

Deadline: Varies

Source: National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF)

Description: The National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation offers a variety of scholarships for students and foodservice educators. The NRAEF Scholarship Program's goal is to award scholarships to students and educators pursuing an education or professional development in restaurant and foodservice-related studies. Currently, teachers may apply for a scholarship in the amount of \$1,750 to attend the NRAEF Summer Institute. Find more information on this and many other available scholarships for teachers and students on the website.

National Science Teachers Association Grants

Deadline: Varies

Source: National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)

Description: The National Science Teachers Association has numerous grants and award programs available for K-12 science teachers. Visit the website to learn more and to search the NSTA database.

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Adopt-A-Classroom

Description: With Adopt-A-Classroom, donors can choose any underserved classroom at any school of their choosing to donate to – or, if they don't have a preference, the

organization will partner that donor with a classroom. The entire donation is earmarked for a teacher in the form of credit, and Adopt-A-Classroom delivers an “Impact Report” to donors detailing exactly what the money was used for. The donors are also in contact with teachers throughout the school year and often receive thank you packages, artwork and other projects from students. Some donors even chaperone field trips and other activities. Teachers can register their classroom at www.adoptaclassroom.org/register.

Donors Choose

Description: Founded in 2000 by a Bronx social studies teacher, Donors Choose was crowdfunding education before “crowdfunding” was a term. The 501(c)3 charity is also one of the best-known of these sites and allows public school teachers to post requests for funding. These requests can be for everything from pencils to microscopes. Photos of the items in use or project in progress are provided to donors along with a cost report detailing exactly how the money was spent. Donations of \$50 or more also result in hand-written thank-you notes from students, and the site reports that 70% of projects hosted are successfully funded. Teachers can register their project in need of funding at www.donorschoose.org.