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ENCORE Grants

Second-Year Grants for Sustaining Programs

What are ENCORE Grants?

Thompson Education Foundation (TEF) will award ENCORE Grants to previous Great Idea and Founders Grant recipients that can show growth opportunities in their funded projects. ENCORE Grant applications for 2019-2020 are intended for Great Idea and Founders Grants that were awarded in the 2017-2018 or 2018-2019 granting cycle. ENCORE Grants can be awarded in amounts of up to \$1,000.

When do I apply for an ENCORE Grant?

The ENCORE Grant application window is open until Friday March 8, 2019, at 11:59 p.m. Grant recipients will be notified in May 2019, before the end of the school year. Award funds are made available before the start of the 2019-2020 school year and must be expended by the final report due date of May 31, 2020.

What criteria are used for reviewing ENCORE Grant applications?

Clearly outlined progression of project growth from the previously awarded Great Idea Grant
Unique and dynamic educational experiences that support student achievement or well-being
Impact on higher level thinking skills: creativity, critical thinking and/or problem solving
Clarity of objectives
Clear and measurable project evaluation
Detailed, itemized budget

Application Instructions:

- Applicants must be employees of the Thompson School District.
- Application questions should be answered in a direct and concise manner; please provide only the information being requested.
- All grant requests must be received by the deadline date of **Friday, March 8, 2019, at 11:59 p.m.**
- All grant projects must adhere to district policies and procedures. Projects are reviewed for safety and legal concerns and may be denied based on either of these criteria. Grants requests must follow Founders and Great Idea Grant guidelines.
- Grant recipients will be required to submit a final report of their project and receipts to the foundation by May 31, 2020. Report guidelines and format will be sent to each recipient. Failure to provide the required report by the deadline will disqualify applicant for future TEF grant consideration. TEF may pay a visit to the recipient's classroom during project implementation for photos/video of the grant activities which will be shared with others at TEF events and online. Details will be provided to grant recipients.

Questions? Contact Thompson Education Foundation at 970-613-5074.