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## Windows on the World (WOW) Travel Grant

Teachers Travel the World for Students!

### What are WOW Grants?

The Windows on the World (WOW) travel grant provides a teacher (or teachers) with up to \$3,500 to complete an educational travel experience to a domestic or international destination. The experience is expected to enhance the teacher's classroom skills, expand curriculum options and benefit students. When possible, the teacher's gained skills and knowledge should also be shared with their school/district peers.

The Windows on the World (WOW) travel grant is sponsored by The Hiatt Family Fund of the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado and Greg & Tracy Roller. Jeff and Mary Hiatt created the grant program as a way to extend their gratitude to the teachers who were so influential in the lives of their children as well as to recognize and honor the exceptional work of all teachers in TSD.

### When do I apply for a WOW Grant?

The WOW Grant application window is open Friday, February 22, 2019, at 11:59 p.m. Finalists will be required to participate in a personal interview. Grant winners will be notified in March 2019, in time to schedule travel plans for Summer 2019. Award funds are made available within two weeks of notification.

### WOW Grant Guidelines

Travel must be completed after the spring semester ends and before the teacher's contract begins in the fall semester.

PreK-12 licensed teachers at a public school located within the boundaries of Thompson School District will be eligible. Awardee must be willing to participate on the selection committee for new candidates for up to three years following their award.

Teacher applicants must be licensed employees, in good standing, of Thompson School District at the time of application. If employment status changes after a grant is awarded, the grant would be forfeited. Applicants must have completed a minimum of a one-year employment contract with TSD to be eligible to apply.

The \$3,500 award can be used for transportation, lodging, food, classes, and other associated travel expenses relevant to the grant. Additional travel undertaken by the teacher outside of the grant purpose will not be funded by the WOW Grant.

The WOW Grant is not intended as a salary.

### What are the selection requirements and criteria for WOW Grant applications?

Unique and dynamic educational experiences that will support student achievement, opportunities or well-being

Clarity of objectives

Clear and measurable project proposal

Detailed, itemized budget for the travel experience

WOW Grant finalists will be required to participate in a personal interview with members of the selection committee.

**For more information, call TEF at 970-613-5074.**