



## **MCPASD EDUCATION FOUNDATION FALL 2015 GRANT APPLICATION**

The MCPASD Education Foundation supports innovation and excellence in learning throughout the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District. We seek to accelerate all students and take the next step on the journey of excellence.

As part of fulfilling its mission, the Foundation seeks to support innovative learning experiences that demonstrate new ways of teaching and learning in our District. Each spring and fall, the Foundation awards innovation grants to teachers and staff throughout our District to fund programs that benefit District students.

### **Application Procedures**

1. Complete this application form. Word and PDF versions of this form can be found at the Foundation's website: [www.inspiringexperiences.org](http://www.inspiringexperiences.org).
2. Send a copy of the completed application to your principal or administrator to request a recommendation.
3. E-mail your application and recommendation to Foundation Executive Director Perry Hibner at [phibner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us](mailto:phibner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us).

The Foundation has awarded 41 grants worth more than \$27,000 since 2013. Every school has received at least two grants. If you have questions, about writing a successful grant application, please contact Perry Hibner.

**Applications and recommendations must be received by Oct. 15, 2015  
to be considered in the Foundation's Fall 2015 grant cycle.**

### **General Foundation Grant Criteria**

Grant proposals are required to meet the following criteria:

1. The proposal is consistent with the 2015-16 goals of the MCPASD. In particular, the Foundation is looking for proposals that are designed to accomplish one or more of the following objectives:

- Addressing racial equity concerns
- Improving culture in ways that bring students together.
- Increasing achievement in math, science and English.
- Developing activities that promote community interaction.
- Adding opportunities that expose more students to the arts.

See <http://www.mcpasd.k12.wi.us/our-district/about-district/mission/vision/goals> for an explanation of the District goals.

2. The proposal is recommended by the school principal or appropriate administrator(s) in charge of the area impacted by the request.
3. The proposal is supplemental to the regular school budget.
4. The proposal shows a clear benefit to students.
5. Grant recipients are required to submit a final report that includes pictures and-or a video that showcases how the grant impacted students.

Grant awards typically range from \$250 to \$1,000.

Any materials or equipment purchased with funds from a grant awarded by the Foundation will be considered the property of MCPASD and must be used by the recipient for the benefit of District students. All grant recipients will be asked to affirm their understanding of this requirement.

### **State Bank of Cross Plains Grant Criteria**

At least one grant will be awarded from \$1,250 generously contributed by the State Bank of Cross Plains. Applicants will also be considered for general grants. Applications for this grant must meet the general criteria, plus the following additional criteria:

1. **Providing financial education to low income students.** Some examples:
  - How to prepare taxes and the necessity of insurance.
  - How investment and savings work.
  - How to budget and managing credit.
  - What it takes to own a home.
2. **Providing job training/searching skills to low income students.** Some examples of job training/search skills:
  - Teaching students to be able to communicate personal skills such as through resume writing.
  - Developing or improving a youth apprenticeship program to help students develop job skills.
  - Developing job interviewing skills.

## Fall 2015 Grant Application

Requestor Name:

Position:

Site of Employment:

Email Address:

Phone:

Supervisor:

Project Title:

Type of Grant Sought (please select all that apply):

General: \_\_\_\_\_

State Bank of Cross Plains: \_\_\_\_\_

Descriptive Overview of Project:

What are the goals and anticipated outcomes of this project?

How does this project fit within the district's Educational Plan? What Education Foundation objectives stated above does it meet? How so?

How does this project compliment or expand existing learning experiences?

Describe who will be directly involved in this project (e.g. grade level, school site, class teacher), and describe the various levels of involvement if applicable.

How does this project meet the specialized grant criteria?  
(For State Bank of Cross Plains only)

Amount requested? \_\_\_\_\_  
What specific expenses will this amount be used for? (Please be as specific as possible.  
Note that funds will not be awarded for teacher stipends)

What is the duration of the project?

When is funding needed?

Describe the evaluation method to be used in judging the success of this project.

Describe plans for sharing the results of this project with others.