

JUNE, 2008 GRANTS UPDATE

**** Civics, History, and Social Studies**

Due Date: July 30, 2008

Funding Range: Up to \$25,000

Agency: Motorola Foundation and the Chicago History Museum

Eligibility: K-12 schools, universities, and community organizations

Purpose: Motorola Lincoln Grants will support individuals or organizations using new technologies to educate students or their broader communities--particularly in civics, history, social studies--or disciplines such as the fine arts. Preference will be given to those integrating lessons from Abraham Lincoln's life.

Contact: <http://www.motorola.com/content.jsp?globalObjectId=8772>

**** Environmental Education**

Due Date: June 20, 2008

Funding Range: \$5,000 - \$10,000

Agency: National Environmental Education Foundation and The Weather Channel

Eligibility: Teachers

Purpose: The National High School Challenge is the first phase of the foundation's new program, Classroom Earth – a program designed to enhance environmental education in high schools. The grant supports bringing innovative environmental themes into students' coursework and incorporating more environmental education into teaching overall. Through this program, the foundation hopes to help teachers inspire students about environmental issues.

Contact: http://www.neefusa.org/programs/ce_grant.htm

**** Environmental/Energy Sustainability**

Due Date: July 11, 2008

Funding Range: 40 awards of \$1,000, professional development, and a digital camera

Agency: General Motors and Discovery Education

Eligibility: Grades 5-9 public school teachers

Purpose: The LIVE GREEN Teacher Grant program challenges middle school teachers to develop innovative ideas for furthering environmental and energy sustainability. Teachers will identify an issue or problem, create a plan to address it, and integrate the topic into classroom teaching.

Contact: <http://livegreen.discoveryeducation.com/>

**** Global Education**

Due Date: August 15, 2008

Funding Range: N/A

Agency: National Association of Independent Schools

Eligibility: Elementary and Middle Schools

Purpose: Challenge 20/20 is an internet-based program that pairs classes from schools in the U.S. with their counterpart classes in schools in other countries; together the teams of two to three schools tackle real global problems to find solutions that can be implemented at the local level and in their own communities.

Contact: <http://www.nais.org/resources/index.cfm?ItemNumber=147262>

**** Leadership**

Due Date: July 20, 2008

Funding Range: Tuition and travel costs; 10 awards

Agency: The Broad Center for the Management of School Systems

Eligibility: Leaders from all industries

Purpose: The Broad Superintendents Academy seeks leaders from business, the military, government, education and

nonprofit organizations to make an immediate impact as CEOs and senior executives in urban school districts. The Broad Superintendents Academy is a rigorous 10-month executive management training program. Participants keep

their current jobs while attending the academy. All tuition and travel costs are covered by the academy.

Contact: <http://broadacademy.org/program/admissions.php>

**** Overseas Experiences**

Due Date: September 12, 2008

Funding Range: Travel expenses

Agency: U.S. Department of Education's Teacher Initiative

Eligibility: Educators

Purpose: The Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program provides opportunities for overseas experience. The program is open to educators and administrators with responsibilities for curriculum development in fields related to humanities, languages, and area studies. Topics and host countries of the seminars vary from year to year. All seminars are in non-western European countries. Seminars are designed to provide a broad and introductory cultural orientation to a particular country(ies). The program is geared towards those educators with little or no experience in the host country(ies) who demonstrate the need to develop and enhance their curriculum through short-term study and

travel abroad. There are nine seminars being offered for summer 2009 with 16 positions per seminar, subject to the availability of funds. Seminars take place from late June to mid-August for a duration of four to six weeks.

Contact: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/iegpssap/index.html>

California Department of Education Grant Opportunities

[American Indian Education Centers](#) (2008-09; Grant)

Deadline established: June 16, 2008

[California Mathematics and Science Partnership](#) (2008-09; Grant)

Deadline established: September 17, 2008

[Education Technology K-12 Voucher](#) (2006-07; Grant)

Deadline established: June 30, 2008

[Migrant Education Even Start](#) (2008-09; Grant)

Deadline established: June 13, 2008

[Public Charter Schools Grant](#) (2007-08; Grant)

Applications or other data may be submitted at any time during the fiscal year.

[School Improvement Grant \(SIF\)](#) (2008-09; Grant)

Deadline established: June 30, 2008

[Title VI, Part B, Rural Education Achievement](#) (2008-09; Grant)

Deadline established: June 30, 2008

View all current CDE funding opportunities at: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/af/>

Previously Featured Grant Opportunities

*** American Immigration Education**

Due Date: June 1, 2008 and November 28, 2008

Funding Range: \$100-\$500

Agency: American Immigration Law Foundation

Eligibility: K-12 educators

Purpose: The American Immigration Law Foundation's Curriculum Center will award grants nationwide for the 2008-2009 school year, of \$100 to \$500, to fund a limited number of K-12 grade level projects that provide education

about immigrants and immigration. The Foundation seeks to fund activities that are innovative and supportive of AILF's mission of promoting the benefits of immigrants to our nation.

Contact: <http://www.aifl.org/teach/grants.shtml>

*** Getting Youth Outside**

Due Date: August 8, 2008

Funding Range: up to \$50,000

Agency: Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council

Eligibility: Parks and programs that connect underserved youth (ages 13 to 18) to the outdoors

Purpose: As part of its Youth Investment Program, the Stewardship Council will grant between \$2 million and \$2.5 million in funding to parks and programs that connect underserved youth (ages 13 to 18) to the outdoors. Catalyst Fund – nurtures small grassroots organizations with program funding for under \$15,000. Impact Fund – to spark innovation and lower barriers – provides program funding from \$15,000 - \$50,000. Applications may be submitted beginning July 7.

Contact: http://www.stewardshipcouncil.org/youth_investment/rfps_and_applications.php?v=0

*** International Education**

Due Date: June 12, 2008

Funding Range: Up to five awards of \$10,000 and travel expenses

Agency: Asia Society and The Goldman Sachs Foundation

Eligibility: High school students

Purpose: The 2008 competition asks students to create an in-depth written essay or multimedia feature examining a social or economic issue that has relevance to them in a global context. In the essay category, students will compare and contrast how the issue affects their community and a community abroad, as well as create recommendations for what lessons the two communities could learn from each other. In the multimedia category, students will explore how

a global problem or challenge affects their life as an individual, as a member of their local community, and/or as a global citizen. Up to five winners will be selected to receive up to \$10,000 each as well as an all-expense paid trip to New York City in November 2008 to receive their prize.

Contact: <http://askasia.org/students/gsfprizes.html>

*** Job Skills Training for Disadvantaged Youth**

Due Date: June 16, 2008

Funding Range: \$500 - \$25,000

Agency: Staples Foundation for Learning

Eligibility: Nonprofits

Purpose: The mission of Staples Foundation for Learning is to provide funding to programs that support or provide job skills and/or education for all people, with a special emphasis on disadvantaged youth.

Contact: <http://www.staplesfoundation.org/foundapplication.html>

*** Math and Science Projects**

Due Date: August 1, 2008 (grants of up to \$5,000 awarded on a rolling basis)

Funding Range: Varies

Agency: Toshiba America Foundation

Eligibility: Educators in grades 7-12

Purpose: The Toshiba America Foundation is a nonprofit grant-making organization dedicated to supporting science

and math education in the U.S. The foundation contributes to the quality of science and mathematics education by investing in projects designed by classroom teachers to improve instruction for students in grades 7-12. The foundation awards grants of \$5,000 on a rolling basis. For grants of more than \$5,000, applications are due Feb. 1 and

Aug. 1 of each year.

Contact: http://www.toshiba.com/taf/25964_Executive.pdf

*** Musical instruments**

Due Date: August 1, 2008

Funding Range: \$500 - \$8,000

Agency: Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation

Eligibility: K-12 school music programs

Purpose: The Melody Program grant donates instruments to music programs where students have access to a music curriculum but lack the resources and support base to adequately keep up with equipment loss due to attrition, depreciation and wear over time. An infusion of instruments and repairs enables more students to participate and experience a quality music education. The Special Projects Program provides similar assistance to after-school music

programs that have at least a three-year track record.

Contact: <http://www.mhopus.org/about-us.asp>

Design Squad Trash to Treasure Contest

Due Date: June 30, 2008

Funding Range: \$10,000 cash prize and travel

Agency: By Kids For Kids, PBS, and Intel

Eligibility: Kids of all ages

Purpose: The *Design Squad Trash to Treasure* contest will challenge kids of all ages to take everyday discarded or recycled material and re-engineer it into functional products. The products can move things or people (mobility), protect the environment (environmental), or be something kids can play with inside or out (play). The grand prizewinner

will receive a \$10,000 cash prize and a trip to the development lab at Continuum, an international design and innovation consultancy, to build a prototype of his or her *Trash to Treasure* design.

Contact: <http://www.bkfk.com>

Literacy, Math, Science and Computer Technology

Due Date: May 1, 2008 and December 1, 2008

Funding Range: Varies

Agency: Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.

Eligibility: K-12 schools and districts

Purpose: AMD's K-12 initiatives target programs that increase student interest and/or proficiency in literacy, math, science, and computer technology. Because great teachers are the key to successful learning, AMD also funds programs aimed at developing and supporting effective classroom instruction.

Contact: http://www.amd.com/us-en/Corporate/AboutAMD/0,,51_52_7697_7702,00.html

Student Tech Support

Due Date: Ongoing

Funding Range: \$500 and \$1,000

Agency: MOUSE Squad of California (MSCA)

Eligibility: K-12 public schools

Purpose: MSCA's Student Tech Support program can be offered as an after-school program or in-school elective. It teaches upper elementary, middle, and high school students Information Technology (IT), customer service, communication, and leadership skills and enables them to provide a service (tech support) to their schools. The \$2,500 fee per site (which includes online curriculum and instructor training) can be partially offset by these grants.

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