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Grant Development Process and How Grants Administration Can Help You





BCPS Receives Grant to Support Algebra Instruction

BCPS has been awarded a \$100,000 Phase I: Planning and Prototyping grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's Grand Challenge for Algebra I – Balance the Equation. The grant will support the District's work with the Florida Local Alliance for Math Literacy and Equity (FLAME) – partners include the Algebra Project, the Young People's Project, Florida International University, ETS, and Territorium. FLAME is an outgrowth of the Student Non-Violence Coordinating Committee work of civil rights icon Bob Moses. In partnership with American Institutes of Research, the grant will help SBBC empower students for civic engagement through mathematics fluency and support students underperforming in Algebra I. If the initial Phase I grant is successful, BCPS is eligible for an additional \$1,000,000 Pilot Study grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to help to scale the program currently operating in three high schools to more students. GA staff are proud to have partnered with Guy Barmonha, Director – Secondary Learning and David Watkins, Director – Equity and Diversity to develop the proposal package.



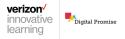
A copy of all grant applications to external agencies must be submitted to GA as soon as possible to obtain School Board approval. Grant contracts and funds will not be awarded without Board approval. A copy may be submitted via e-mail to **grants@browardschools.com** or via pony mail to GA to the 4th Floor of the K.C. Wright Administrative Building. All grant applications **MUST** support the District's Strategic Plan Goals.

BCPS and DonorsChoose Announce New District Partnership



DonorsChoose is an online giving platform where public school teachers create requests for classroom or program materials that can potentially be supported by individual donors or corporate sponsors. BPCS teachers have raised **\$4,178,273** and completed over 8,153 projects from 25,328 donors on DonorsChoose. Remarkably, 47% of the funding was from out-of-state sources! These projects vary from books to laptops and other tools to enhance the learning environment and support student success. **CLICK HERE** to learn how you can post a project or find a project to fund.

Digital Promise — Verizon Innovative Learning Schools Grant



Verizon, through Digital Promise Global, has awarded BCPS a grant of **\$1,000,000** to increase student access to technology. The grant comprises digital devices with data plans for students and teachers, financial support for an instructional coach at each participating school, and in-kind professional learning and technical assistance. Congratulations to Gulfstream Academy of Hallandale Beach K-8, Olsen Middle, Pines Middle, and Westpine Middle Schools on your grant award! Thank you, Daryl Diamond, Director — Innovative Learning, Maximo Rosario, Director — Classroom Technology & Desktop Support Services and Luwando Wright-Hines, Director — Title I, Migrant & Special Programs for collaborating with GA staff on this grant.

J.P. Taravella High School Receives Grant for Aquaculture



Congratulations to new grant writers, Jodi Burchfield and Christelle Martin – J.P. Taravella High School, on being awarded a grant from the **Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services**. The **\$1,500** grant will allow both teachers to participate in a hands-on workshop focused on aquaculture education for K-12 science instruction. In addition, the school will receive a free recirculating aquaculture system (RAS) and supplies valued at **\$2,000**. The RAS system will be used to teach students about aquaculture, how to maintain a fishery and make connections between farm-to-table concepts. GA staff provided grant writing and proposal development support.

BCPS Gets Ready for New Electric School Busses



BCPS has been awarded \$15,723,330 from Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the Electric School Bus Project. Grant funds will be used to replace 60 eligible school buses with 60 new electric school buses. BCPS maintains one of the oldest school bus fleets in the state with 1,345 active buses. The majority of these buses are more than 13 years old. The older buses do not have the safety features required in new models, such as seatbelts and improved crash features. They also lack air conditioning. GA staff prepared the grant application and ensured all proposal requirements were met. Congratulations Rolando Alvarez, Executive Director - Student Transportation & Fleet Services and Thomas Fitzpatrick, Manager - Vehicle Maintenance for your grant success!





Name: Davinia Osborne, Community Liaison – Lauderdale Lakes Middle

School

Years of service: 7 months

How many grants have you been awarded and what is the total dollar amount awarded?

I have been awarded 4 grants so far, a total of \$48,400.

Which grant-supported project is your favorite?

Project: Learn Poetry. Write Poetry. Speak Poetry - Broward Education Foundation's Innovative Teacher Grant. Our Poetry team was awarded \$1200 for students to use mics, headphones, and digital cameras to learn poetry in a more engaging way. It is my favorite because it is amazing seeing students display their talents so confidently as they become more confident public speakers. Also, it is special because it was my very first grant writing project for the school.



Davinia Osborne, Community Liaison – Lauderdale Lakes Middle School

What is your process for filling out a grant application?

First, I CAREFULLY read all the guidelines and program information to fully understand what the program is about and exactly what we need to do to get funded. I then create a presentation to share with my team and faculty to breakdown what the grant entails, our responsibilities and ways we can collaborate to ensure success. Then, I seek out sample funded proposals. I re-read the guidelines and make sure I have 100% clarity. I then fill out the application and ask the Grants Administration staff or a peer to provide feedback when it is complete.

Do you have any grant writing tips?

When trying to figure out what grants to pursue or what to write about, consider these:

- What are you struggling with?
- What resources/supplies do you need to solve it?
- How much money would that cost?
- How exactly would you use those resources to fix the problem?
- How many people would the solution benefit?

Answer these questions in great detail, break down the why's and the how's. Then find a grant that funds the specific issue you are dealing with. Also, always ask for samples!



Catch the Excitement!

"Thank you again for your guidance through the JFG application process. We are so happy and excited to have been awarded this opportunity to provide our students with the holistic educational experience that the JFG grant offers." Coniell Bursac, Math Coach – Plantation Middle School

"I do not know how to express my gratitude for all your support and hard work you implemented in this grant application. On behalf of our school, students, and staff alike, we are thankful to you."

Rachel Silber, Community
Outreach & Partners Liaison

"This grant award is AWESOME!!! I am beyond excited for this opportunity and what it means for our students, staff, and community."

Ricardo Reyes, Principal – Glades Middle
School



Upcoming Grant Writing Workshops

Upcoming Grant Writing Capacity Building and Proposal Development Workshops

Grant Writing Workshop: GA staff offers a virtual (via Microsoft TEAMS) capacity building workshop for teachers, parents and staff on grant writing; the elements of program development; and the joint identification of program funding needs and opportunities. **CLICK HERE TO EXPRESS INTEREST**.

Teacher Grants Space: Join BCPS teachers and GA staff to network and exchange program ideas; learn about upcoming grant opportunities; view sample proposals; find a quiet space to write proposals; and get real-time feedback and input on your proposals. **CLICK HERE TO EXPRESS INTEREST**.

Please contact GA if you would like us to facilitate your next program planning meeting or to request a grant writing workshop for your school or Department.



TIP for the Day: Grant Writing Glossary

- **501(c)(3)** is the section of the Internal Revenue Code that defines nonprofit, charitable, and tax-exempt organizations. BCPS can partner with The Broward Education Foundation (BEF) since public schools do not have 501(c)(3) status.
- **Audited Financial Statements** are annual financial statements which have been prepared and certified by a Certified Public Accountant. The District's audited financials can be found **CLICK HERE**.
- Capacity Building Grants help organizations to increase their capacity to achieve their mission. This may include the funding of new staff positions; and the costs of consulting to help the organization learn how to manage their boards, increase their fund-raising capacity and expand services.
- Capital Grants fund building of endowments, building renovations and similar activities, construction or equipment.
- **Concept Paper** is a two- to three-page description of your organization and program. A concept paper often includes a need statement, project narrative, and budget.
- **Corporate Giving Programs** have very specific causes they will fund (the arts, environmental education, youth, health). Some companies have their own charitable giving department, while others have a separate foundation.
- **Direct Costs** are costs allowable by the funding organization, and are directly tied to the operation of the project.
- **Eligibility Criteria** is usually available on a grant funder's website. Before spending a lot of time and effort on a grant proposal, thoroughly read whether your organization or program is eligible for funding.
- **Evaluation** is how the organization assesses whether their project made a measurable difference.
- Form 990 is an IRS form that tax-exempt organizations are required to file annually for public record of financial information. Public schools are not required to have a Form 990.
- General Support or Unrestricted Grants are for general operating costs rather than specific projects.
- **Goals** are expressed as the overall vision of what you want your project to accomplish. Be careful about having too many goals because this could be viewed as either being too ambitious or too unfocused.

- Indirect Costs/Indirect Cost Rate (Sometimes referred to as "overhead" or "Facilities and Administrative Costs) are costs that support the management systems of the organization including public relations, accounting, payroll, marketing, registration and records, and counselor. Grant funders may or may not allow indirect costs.
- In-Kind Contribution is a noncash donation to a project.
- Letter of Intent or Letter of Interest (LOI) is a document that provides a brief description of the project or program for which funding is being requested.
- **Matching Funds** are cash or in-kind support contributed by the grantee to carry out a project. Some grant proposals require a match before funding a proposal.
- **Objectives** are what specifically will change, improve, decrease, or increase because of your project activities. Many grant writers use the SMART model: Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time-Bound.
- Request for Proposals (RFP) or Request for Applications (RFA) is a type of solicitation notice in which a donor announces that grant funding is available and provides specifications required in the grant proposal/application.
- **Restricted Funds** are funds that must be spent for a specific purpose, as determined by the funder.
- Unallowable Costs are costs and categories of costs that cannot directly or indirectly be offset by grant money.
- Unrestricted Funds can be used for any purpose without any requirements or restrictions.



Grant Writing Resources

Overwhelmed with where to start? Click on one of these education grant search engines.











Spotlight on Resources and Grants



Good Sports gives all kids the lifelong benefits of sport and physical activity by providing equipment, apparel and footwear to those most in need. Through the generous support they receive from a variety of funders, equipment manufacturers and distributors, Good Sports can provide a diverse range of sporting equipment, footwear and apparel to many different community organizations on a year-round basis. **CLICK HERE** for additional information.







Upcoming Grant Opportunities (click on "Application" for additional information)

- Saucony Run for Good Foundation works to improve the lives of children 18 years of age or younger by helping to prevent and reduce childhood obesity. Funding will support nonprofit community organizations that promote, conduct, and increase participation in running and fitness programs. DEADLINE: June 15, 2021 | Application
- Classics for Kids Foundation's Instrument Matching Grant works to empower young people to shape positive futures through music and to build and strengthen sustainable stringed instrument music programs. To support this goal, this program will provide matching awards for the purchase of high-quality stringed instruments for use by children in grades K-12. Instruments eligible for purchase include violins, violas, cellos, and double basses.

 DEADLINE: June 30, 2021 | Application
- Quadratec provides grants of up to \$3,500 to projects that support environmental justice, earth studies, environmental education and community engagement around environmental issues.
 DEADLINE: June 30, 2021 | Application
- **Big Lots Foundation** supports project that include healthcare, housing, hunger, and education, especially those serving women and children. Support is provided in the form of monetary gifts, gift cards, and merchandise in-kind. Please reach out to GA if you are planning to apply. **DEADLINE: July 1, 2021** | Application
- The Wawa Foundation provides financial grants of up to \$2,500 to organizations close to stores. DEADLINE: July 1,
 2021 | Application
- Florida Humanities Council gives grants of \$5,000 for the planning and implementation of humanities programs that meet the interests of communities. Projects may include lecture series and panel discussions, reading and discussion groups, oral history projects, and the development of cultural resources.

 DEADLINE: July 21, 2021 | Application
- American Honda Foundation supports youth education with a specific focus on the STEM subjects in addition to
 the environment, job training and literacy. Please reach out to GA if your school is interested in applying.

 DEADLINE: August 1, 2021 | Application
- **Gallo Grants** for middle and high school educators to attend a workshop on young adult literature at the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) annual conference and incorporate young adult books into classrooms. Up to \$750 to attend the workshop, including conference registration. **DEADLINE: September 1, 2021** Application
- Jane Goodall Institute offers mini-grants of \$200 to organize and implement youth-led community action programs. Grants are intended to support youth leadership and service learning. Interested applicants must first become a member of the Roots and Shoots initiative; registration is free.

 DEADLINE: September 10, 2021 | Application
- Educators of America provides grants to supply teachers and educators with the classroom technology.
 DEADLINE: September 15, 2021 | Application
- P. Buckley Moss Foundation for Children's Education is accepting grant applications from educators who need financial assistance to maintain or implement arts education programs in their schools. Grants of up to \$1,000 will be awarded in support of new or evolving programs that integrate the arts into educational programming.

 DEADLINE: September 30, 2021 | Application

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ROLLING DEADLINES

- **Just Energy** supports specialized educational and mentoring programs that have a positive impact on youth. Support is focused primarily on education, care for the environment, and volunteerism to join students and community members together to cultivate sustainable gardens. This program is intended to foster communities of action, cooperation, and enrichment. **Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis** | **Application**
- **H20 for Life for Life** provides mini-grants to kick-start service-learning projects focused on the global water crisis and to benefit partner schools. **Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis** | <u>Application</u>
- Cruise Industry Charitable Foundation grants support programs that enhance educational opportunities for youth.
 Priority is given to projects that increase literacy, teach life skills and encourage good citizenship. Grants range from \$2,500 to \$15,000. Applicants must be a 501c3 organization. Please contact the Grants Department if you are interested in applying. Letters of inquiry are reviewed on an ongoing basis | Application
- Toshiba America Foundation accepts applications from 6 to 12th Grade teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. Grant maximum is \$5,000. Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis | Application
- Fruit Tree Planting Foundation awards Fruit Tree 101 grants for edible fruit trees, planting resources and curriculum that support "outdoor edible classrooms." Schools must accommodate at least 20 trees.
 DEADLINE: Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis | Application
- American Association of Physics Teachers sponsors several grant opportunities for educators and a scholarship for an aspiring physics teacher. DEADLINE: Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis | Application
- **IGT After School Advantage Program** provides grants to close the Digital Divide for disadvantaged children who get left behind because they do not have the means to access computers in today's increasingly digital society. **DEADLINE: Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis** | <u>Application</u>



The Grants Administration department would like to congratulate all teachers, school staff, and District department staff that have received awards in the **1ST QUARTER (JANUARY 1 - MARCH 31, 2021)** of the calendar year. If you received a grant award and it is not listed, please contact Grants Administration at 754-321-2260.

Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
AAA Automobile Association	American Automobile Association (AAA)	\$1,500	Hollywood Hills High School
Community Foundation of Broward - Mary Turner & Nancy France Fund	Community Foundation of Broward through the Mary Turner and Nancy France Fund	\$12,650	The schools will manage their grant activities and funds.
DonorsChoose.org	DonorsChoose.org	\$17,968	Various Schools
Dream in Green, Inc.	Dream in Green, Inc	\$350	Margate Middle School
Exxon Mobile Education Alliance	Exxon Mobil Educational Alliance	\$500	Fox Trail Elementary School
Exxon Mobile Education Alliance	Exxon Mobil Educational Alliance	\$500	James S. Hunt Elementary School
Florida Department of Education Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund for High Quality Reading	Florida Department of Education - Division of Public Schools	\$1,855,825	Literacy
Florida Department of Education Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) - K-12 Civic Literacy Booklist	Florida Department of Education - Bureau of Standards and Instructional Support	\$338,983	Elementary and Secondary Learning in partnership with Literacy, Applied Learning, and Charter School Support
Florida District of Key Club - Florida Opportunity Fund Grant: Kits for Kids	Florida District of Key Club	\$319	Coral Glades High School
Florida Grade-Level Reading Campaign/Literacy	Florida Children's Council	\$3,000	Bilingual/ESOL Department

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SCHOOL GRANTS AWARDED (CONT'D)			
Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
Florida Health Literacy Initiative	Florida Blue Foundation through the Florida Literacy Coalition	\$5,000	Atlantic Technical College - Arthur Ashe, Jr. Campus
Get Game Ready	The Shaquille O'Neal Foundation c/o Boulevard Management	\$20,000	Miramar High School
Good Sports Community Partnership	Good Sports, Inc	\$2,000	Cross Creek Education Center
High School JROTC Program	Walmart (WMT 1517)	\$2,000	Monarch High School
Move Students to The World of Virtual Education	Citrix	\$25,000	C. Robert Markham Elementary School
Pathways to Career Opportunities Grant -	Florida Department of Education - Grants Administration & Compliance	\$439,500	Atlantic Technical College
Pathways to Career Opportunities Grant -	Florida Department of Education - Grants Administration & Compliance	\$186,300	Atlantic Technical College
State Farm Teacher Assist Grant	State Farm	\$20,000	Each school will manage their own grant.
Teaching and Edible Garden	Broward County Farm Bureau	\$250	Driftwood Elementary School
Verizon Innovative 5G Labs Grant	Verizon Innovative 5G Labs administered through a partnership between Arizona State University J	\$500,000	Glades Middle School
Verizon Innovative 5G Labs Grant	Verizon Innovative 5G Labs administered through a partnership between Arizona State University J	\$500,000	New Renaissance Middle School
Whiting-Turner Contracting Company	Whiting-Turner Contracting Company There is	\$2,000	Blanche Ely High School
Zoobean-Beanstack Black Voices Grant	Zoobean-Beanstack	\$1,000	Walker Elementary School

Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
Computer Science for All (CSforAll)	National Science Foundation (NSF) Directorate	\$225,000	Applied Learning
	for Education and Human Resources		
General Fund Social Service Agency Grant	City of Hollywood	\$267,000	Sheridan Technical High School and Technical College
GenYouth - COVID-19 Response	GenYouth	\$3,000	Cross Creek Center School
Herb Society of America	Herb Society of America	\$500	Everglades High School
Laura Bush Foundation	Laura Bush Foundation	\$5,000	Indian Trace Elementary School
Publix Charities - Community Grant Program	Publix Charities Foundation	\$2,000	Tamarac Elementary School
Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation - GroMoreGood Grassroots Grant	Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation	\$1,000	Everglades High School
SeedMoney	SeedMoney	\$5,000	Everglades High School
Snapdragon Book Foundation	Snapdragon Book Foundation	\$5,000	Whiddon Rodgers Education Center School
Student School Improvement	Walmart Foundation	\$1,500	Tamarac Elementary School
Teaching and Edible Garden	Broward County Farm Bureau	\$250	Everglades High School
Teaching and Edible Garden	Broward County Farm Bureau	\$250	Park Ridge Elementary School
Verizon Innovative 5G Labs Grant	Verizon Innovative 5G Labs administered through a partnership between Arizona State University J	\$500,000	McNicol Middle School
Verizon Innovative 5G Labs Grant	Verizon Innovative 5G Labs administered through a partnership between Arizona State University J	\$500,000	Nova Middle School

Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
Broward Internship Program	JP Morgan Chase Foundation (through the Broward Education Foundation)	\$125,000	Broward County Public Schools with National Academy Foundation (NAF) career- themed academies
CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act Provider Relief Fund	Health Resources and Services Administration	\$711,036	Exceptional Student Learning Support (ESLS)
Children's Literacy Initiative Education Innovation and Research Pre-K Research Study	United States (US) Department of Education's Early-Phase Education Innovation and Research (EIR)	\$1,680,000	Early Learning & Language Acquisition (ELLA)
Pathways to Career Opportunities Phase 3	Florida Department of Education - Grants Administration & Compliance	\$41,000	Career Technical, Adult, and Community Education
Scholastic Book Fairs	Scholastic Book Fairs	\$12,800	Innovative Learning

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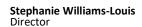
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DISTRICT GRANTS AWARDED (CONT'D)			
Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
The James Patterson Literacy Challenge at the	University of Florida, Division of Sponsored Programs	\$622,000	Elementary Learning
Transportation Services for the Special Olympics of Florida, Inc	Broward County	\$161,943	Exceptional Student Learning Support (ESLS)
Youth Mental Health Awareness and Training (YMHAT) Project	University of South Florida Board of Trustees	\$282,782	Student Support Initiatives & Recovery (SSIR)

DISTRICT GRANTS REQUESTED			
Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
2020-2021 School Improvement Grant	Florida Department of Education	\$533,050	Office of Service Quality Title I, Migrant
Targeting Recidivism			& Special Programs Department
Helios Education Foundation	Helios Education Foundation	\$250,000	Elementary Learning
NoVo Foundation - Social and Emotional	Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors	\$150,000	Office of School Performance and
Learning Educator Practice Communities (EPCs)			Accountability and the Coaching and
			Induction Division







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