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Grant Development Process and How Grants Administration Can Help You




Good News!

BCPS Receives Additional Funding from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

The Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act - Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund has awarded BCPS **\$338,983** to support K-12 Civics Literacy. FLDOE and BCPS are committed to preparing students to become civically engaged and knowledgeable adults who make positive contributions to their communities. Grant funds will be used to provide all District elementary, secondary, and combination schools and centers with K-12 civic literacy materials selected from the new BEST English Language Standards civics book list. GA staff facilitated inter-departmental meetings, developed the narrative and budget, and obtained necessary signatures for required documents to support the proposal. Staff also facilitated the consultation process with non-public and charter schools who were also allocated their own grant funds from FLDOE. Thank you, Dr. Nicole Mancini, Director – Elementary Learning, Guy Barmoha, Director – Secondary Learning and their respective teams for collaborating with GA on the proposal.

An additional **\$1,855,825** was granted from the CARES Act through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund for K-3 reading recovery for high-need students. Grant funds from the K-3 Reading Initiative will be used to support students with gaps in reading foundational skills in 50 elementary schools and four center schools. The K-3 Reading Initiative aims to improve decoding and reading skills in phonemic awareness, spelling, fluency, vocabulary, handwriting, grammar/syntax, and pronunciation using various multi-sensory techniques in both direct instruction and interactive computer software to reinforce skills taught in the classroom. GA staff supported the proposal development process by providing budget review and editing support; facilitated the consultation process with non-public and charter schools; and provided technical assistance in collecting information from schools. Thank you to the following people and their teams for working on the proposal and spearheading such an important endeavor: Mildred Grimaldo, Director – Literacy, Lori Canning Ed.D., Executive Director – Early Learning Language Acquisition and Diane Eagan, Director - Pre-K / Elementary Exceptional Student Learning Support.

Citrix Systems, Inc. Increases Support to BCPS

 Thank you to one of our long-time corporate partners, Citrix for supporting BCPS students and teachers.

Contributions from Citrix have included not only direct donations to schools, but also employees mentoring students, serving on the STEM Ecosystem Committee, sponsoring ceremonies honoring women in Information Technology, and offering their facility to host meetings. Recent funding has included:

- 2020 Sponsorship of Social Justice and Racial Equity Adopt-A-School Program grant of **\$25,000** to James A. Rickards Middle School
- 2020 Sponsorship of Social Justice and Racial Equity Adopt-A-School Program grant of **\$25,000** to C. Robert Markham Elementary School
- Social Justice grant of **\$15,000** to Equity and Diversity Department
- COVID-19 Relief and Recovery grant of **\$10,000** to Dillard 6-12

“It is with our most heartfelt gratitude that we thank Citrix for your partnership with Dillard High School. It has truly been a transformative experience. The expertise you provide is invaluable. We truly feel like you all understand the importance of education and the meaning of helping children. The grants and donations

make what we do possible with Robotics and closing the digital divide.” Jessica A. Swanson, Ed.S. Magnet Coordinator - Dillard 6-12. Congratulations to all the schools awarded grants, GA staff were proud to partner with you to provide grant-related support.

BCPS Receives Grant for Emergency School Nutrition



Since the spring of 2020, BCPS has distributed more than 5.3 million meals in support of the nutritional needs of children and their families in our community. GENYOUth is providing grants of up to \$3,000 per school to supply much-needed resources for meal distribution and delivery efforts to get food to students during COVID -19. [CLICK HERE](#) for additional information and to apply. Six BCPS schools have already received funding! We are grateful to GENYOUth for providing **\$15,000** to the following schools to help ensure that students and their families continue to receive the nutritious meals they need during the pandemic: Oakridge Elementary School - \$3,000; Walker Elementary School - \$3,000; Parkway Middle School - \$3,000; Attucks Middle School - \$2,000; Hollywood Hills High School - \$2,000; and Hallandale High School - \$2,000. Thank you so much to Mary Mulder, Director - Food and Nutrition Services Department and her team for working with GA staff on Families First Food and Nutrition Fund collaboration.

Eight BCPS Teachers Win State Farm Teacher Assist Grants!



Teachers in Florida were asked to submit their innovative teaching ideas the week of January 11 for an opportunity to win State Farm® Teacher Assist grants. In less than 2 hours, two hundred entry forms were submitted by Florida teachers. We are thrilled that eight of the forty teachers awarded \$2,500 are from BCPS. Thank you, State Farm, for supporting teachers to implement innovative classroom projects with grants totaling **\$20,000**. Congratulations to the following teachers and schools: Allison Unger-Fink, Hawkes Bluff Elementary; Tanji Ford, Silver Ridge Elementary; Latisa Williams, Olsen Middle School; Robert W Bailey, South Plantation High; Charlene Franklin, McNicol Middle School; Betty Shore, McNicol Middle School; Raquel McDonald, McNicol Middle School; and Barbara Doner, Ramblewood Middle School.

Scholastic Book Fairs Donate Books

Scholastic Book Fairs has donated books valued at more than **\$12,000**. The donation of books from Scholastic will be used to support classroom and home libraries. Scholastic Book Fairs offer new safe and flexible Book Fair models that can be implemented in remote, hybrid and in-person environments. [CLICK HERE](#) for details.



Grant Writer in Action

Name: Luciana Gentile

Position: Literacy Coach – Ramblewood Elementary School

Years of service: 16 years

How many grants have you been awarded and what is the total dollar amount awarded? The first grant I applied for was the \$700.00 Target Field Trip grant. With this grant, I was able to take my students to the Museum of Discovery and Science and the IMAX theater. It was an amazing experience. Since then, I have applied and been awarded the Target Field Trip grant two additional times. I also received a \$250 grant from Aldi's to transform the 5th grade classrooms in my school into a Reading Cafe. Another grant I have applied for and been awarded for the last three years, is the Broward Education Foundation Adapter Grant in the amount of \$400.00 each. This grant allows me to adapt the amazing ideas from the Broward Education Foundation's Teacher EXPO to fit my school's population and needs. In addition to that, I also applied for a \$1,000.00 TGIF grant to attend a Reading Recovery Conference in Ohio last year.



Luciana Gentile, Teacher – Ramblewood Elementary School

Which grant-supported project is your favorite? My favorite project was the Colonial Life Project. In this project, students were immersed in American History. The grant allowed me to purchase books and materials for creative activities. This project culminated in students living a day in the life of a colonial times child.

What is your process for filling out a grant application? I try to research the grant before I apply. I read everything on the website and look at examples from prior winners. As for the idea for the grant, I keep a journal of ideas throughout the school year. I start with a standard or a cluster of standards and then think of a creative and engaging way to teach it. I love project-based learning, so I design a plan for students to learn by actively engaging in real-world meaningful projects. Once I have a clear vision of my idea, I think of the materials that would be needed to implement it. I then write up the project explaining it in a way that anyone can easily understand. Often, the committees granting the funds are not comprised entirely of educators, so it's important to be clear in demonstrating the need and explaining how the grant will help meet that need. Ultimately, everyone involved just wants to know how the grant will benefit the students. When I write the narrative for the grant, I don't just explain the academic impact, often I include the social-emotional impact as well.

Do you have any grant writing tips? Yes, it's important to include in the narrative a strong objective and assessment piece. I include a pre- and post-assessment when appropriate. In addition, I embed assessments throughout each part of the granted project. When writing the grant, I include a detailed explanation of the embedded assessments in order to explain how I will analyze the impact of the grant. Assessments can include products, performance tasks, and portfolios. This part is important because it supports the claim for a need and gives evidence of the positive impact of the grant funds.



Catch the Excitement!

"Thank you for your advice and guidance yesterday on the proposal. I GREATLY appreciate your help." **Mary A. Barba,**
Intern Principal - Sheridan
Technical College & Technical
High School

"Thank you so much for all the assistance you are providing to our teachers on the grant writing process."
Vitra Boodoosingh,
Instructional/Technology
Coach - Crystal Lake Middle
School

"The support from the grants department is always reliable and timely, which helps to make the proposal submission process much less stressful." **Anonymous –**
Satisfaction Survey Response



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

TIP for the Day: Technology Standards & How to Get Your Grant Contract/Agreement Signed

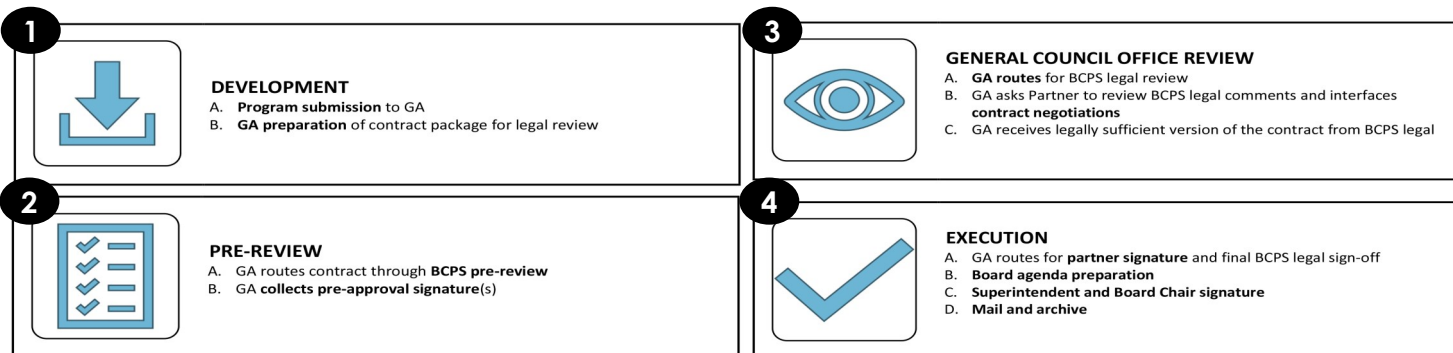
Remember to Refer to the District's Technology Standards While Developing Proposals

Adherence to the **Technology Standards** is essential to safeguard all aspects of the District's technology infrastructure - from the core network to end-user devices that are used in classrooms, offices, and homes. Visit the Information Technology Division's SharePoint site at the link below to view approved technology vendors and products and get information on how to request a product waiver. Your school's technology specialist or a member of the Classroom Technology and Desktop Support Services are available to provide additional guidance.

<https://browardcountyschools.sharepoint.com/sites/technology/Standards/SitePages/Standards%20Home.aspx>

Contract/Agreement Review and Approval Process

All grant contracts, agreements, terms of reference or other legal document that need a signature from a BCPS authorized representative are required to go through the District's legal review, approval and signature process. Please reach out to GA staff for support.



Education Grant Search Engines

Overwhelmed with where to start? Click on one of these education grant search engines or use the web address.



kidsgardening.org



[BCPS Grants Administration](#)



getedfunding.com



browardedfoundation.org



Spotlight on Resources and Grants



Education First supports Social-Emotional Learning projects with grants of \$7,500. Funded projects will create places, environments and practices that value belonging, well-being, tolerance, compassion, listening, non-violence, inclusiveness, working productively together, and restoring relationships and repairing harm. Proposals are due by **April 9, 2021**. [CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION](#).



Upcoming Grant Opportunities



This list is updated quarterly.
There are lots of NEW grants listed!

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

- **Braitmayer Foundation** supports programs that utilize innovative practices in K-12 education with a grant of up to \$35,000. Priorities include curricular and school reform initiatives, and professional development for teachers. **DEADLINE: March 15, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **International Reading Association** gives \$5,000 grants for teachers to undertake research about literacy and Instruction in their classroom. Applicants must be ILA members. **DEADLINE: March 15, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **NEA Foundation Learning and Leadership Grants** provide support for professional development experiences. Student Success Grants support projects aimed at improving student learning. Grant amounts are \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups engaged in collegial study. NEA membership is required. **DEADLINE: March 19, 2021** | [Application](#)

- **Florida Humanities Council** provides \$5,000 for the planning and implementation of public humanities programs including lecture series and panel discussions, reading and discussion groups, film series, oral history projects, and exhibitions. **DEADLINE: March 20, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **National Science Foundation** offers Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (S-STEM) awards grants to institutions of higher education to provide scholarships for academically talented and financially needy students to empower them to enter the workforce following completion of an associate, baccalaureate, or graduate level degree in STEM disciplines. **DEADLINE: March 31, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **WaWa Foundation** provides grants of \$2,500 for a variety of community development, health and education projects. **DEADLINE: April 1, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **RPM Foundation** supports career pathways in automotive, motorcycle and marine restoration. All grant utilize collector vehicles, motorcycles or wooden boats as teaching tools and provide hands-on learning experiences with master craftsmen. **DEADLINE: April 2, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Lemelson-MIT** supports high schools with grant of up to \$10,000 for students to invent a technological solution to a problem of their choice. **DEADLINE: April 5, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Educators of America** provides schoolteachers and educators with classroom technology and related training. **DEADLINE: April 15, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation** offers Academic Enrichment Grants and Teacher Development Grants to develop in-class and extra-curricular programs that improve student learning. The Foundation awards grants in amounts up to \$10,000. **DEADLINE: April 15, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Discovery Education, Inc.** invites students in grades 5 through 8 to participate in the Young Scientist Challenge. Entrants must create a one- to two-minute video describing a new, innovative solution that solves an everyday problem. Ten finalists each receive \$1,000. The grand-prize winner receives \$25,000. **DEADLINE: April 27, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **National Dairy Council** provides grants of up to \$4,000 to qualified K-12 schools enrolled in Fuel Up to Play 60 to jumpstart healthy changes. **DEADLINE: April 28, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Voya Unsung Heroes Awards** recognizes K-12 educators with \$2,000 for their innovative teaching methods, creative educational projects, and ability to positively influence students. **DEADLINE: April 30, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Lawrence Foundation** gives program and operating grants for programs working on the environment and human services. Grants typically range between \$5,000 - \$10,000. **DEADLINE: April 30, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Siemens STEM Day** Grand Prizes will consist of a \$5,000 Siemens Possibility Grant, awarded in the form of a check made payable to the winning schools and intended to be used by the schools for a science lab makeover and/or STEM-related equipment, supplies, or technology. Eligible educators from Title 1 schools may enter the Sweepstakes once per day for the full duration of the open period: December 17, 2020 – April 30, 2021. **DEADLINE: April 30, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **National Association of Teachers of Mathematics** provides different grants for professional development, fellowships, technology and classroom materials. Grants range between \$1,000 - \$20,000. Only schools with a current NCTM membership are eligible to apply. **DEADLINE: May 1, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Dollar General Literacy Foundation** provides Youth Literacy grants of up to \$4,000 for the implementation or expansion of existing literacy program, purchasing new technology or equipment to support literacy initiatives, or purchasing books, materials, or software for literacy programs. Maximum award is \$4,000. **DEADLINE: May 1, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Toshiba America Foundation** accepts applications (for grants less than \$5,000) from 6 to 12th Grade teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. **DEADLINE: May 1, 2021** | [Application](#)

- **ASM Materials Education Foundation** awards grants of \$500 to K-12 teachers to bring materials science into their classrooms. **DEADLINE: May 25, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Toshiba America Foundation** accepts applications (for grants up to \$5,000) from 6 to 12th Grade teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. **DEADLINE: June 1, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration** provides grants of up to \$5,000 as part of the NOAA Planet Stewards program for educators to carry out hands-on projects aimed at addressing an environmental issue. **DEADLINE: June 6, 2021** | [Application](#)
- **Big Lots Foundation** gives grants in the areas of healthcare, housing, hunger, and education, especially those serving women and children. Please reach out to GA if you are planning to apply. **DEADLINE: July 1, 2021** | [Application](#)

ROLLING DEADLINES

- **Cracker Barrel Foundation** supports civic/safety organizations, community events and organizations that promote multiculturalism and inclusion. [Application](#)
- **Peace Development Fund** awards De Colores Rapid Response Grants to impact short-term opportunities for organizing in marginalized urban and rural communities, with emphasis on supporting populations of color and those that are working class and poor. Previous grants include education-focused activities to empower communities to strengthen public schools and ensure more excellence and equity for all students. [Application](#)
- **Home Depot Foundation** offers grants of \$5,000 to schools that are using the power of volunteers to improve the community. [Application](#)
- **Stavros Niarchos Foundation** awards grants to fund projects in education as well as arts and culture, health and sports, and social welfare. Examples of previous education grants are a summer and after-school tutoring program for middle school students from low-income backgrounds, an “edible schoolyard” gardening program and music education. Emphasis is on programs serving vulnerable populations. Award amount varies. [Application](#)
- **Alternative Fuel Foundation** supports educational institutions to aid in the development of programs that promote renewable energy, environmental sustainability, and earth stewardship. [Application](#)
- **Florida Power and Light** funds robotics teams in the FPL service area. To request funding for a team, please provide a letter on school or organization letterhead. [Application](#)
- **Ross Stores Foundation** supports academic achievement programs with a focus on literacy; STEM; stay-in-school efforts; and college readiness. Life skills support includes mentoring; financial literacy; leadership skills; after-school programs; and career readiness. [Application](#)
- **Baseball Tomorrow Fund** provides \$40,000 for new programs, expand or improve existing programs, undertake new collaborative efforts, or obtain facilities or equipment needed for youth baseball or softball programs. Contact GA if you are interested in applying. [Application](#)
- **Project Lead The Way (PLTW)** provides a comprehensive approach to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education through an activity-, project-, and problem-based curriculum for students and rigorous teacher professional development model. PLTW provides prekindergarten through grade 12 school districts and schools with grant opportunities to support implementation or expansion of PLTW programs. [Application](#)



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.



Fourth Quarter Grant Activity

The Grants Administration department would like to congratulate all teachers, school staff, and District department staff that have received awards in the 4th quarter (**April 1 through June 30, 2020**) of the calendar year. If you received a grant award and it is not listed, please contact Grants Administration at 754-321-2260.

SCHOOL GRANTS AWARDED

Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
AT&T and Consortium of Florida Education Foundations	Motorola Solutions through the Broward Education Foundation (BEF)	\$2,000	Plantation High School
Teacher Innovation Grant	Broward Education Foundation	\$2,500	C. Robert Markham Elementary School
Teacher Innovation Grant	Broward Education Foundation	\$1,500	Tamarac Elementary School
Youth Literacy Program	Dollar General Literacy Foundation	\$4,000	Annabel C. Perry Pre-K-8
Youth Literacy Program	Dollar General Foundation	\$2,000	Deerfield Park Elementary School
Donors Choose	Donors Choose	\$155	Hollywood Hills High School
Additional Online Resources for Students	DonorsChoose.org	\$179	Westglades Middle School
Air Purifier For Classroom	DonorsChoose.org	\$1,063	Westglades Middle School
Cleaner Air In The Art Room	DonorsChoose.org	\$748	Westglades Middle School
Help Keep Out Students Safe	DonorsChoose.org	\$1,098	Westglades Middle School
Limit the Spread of Germs in Our Classroom	DonorsChoose.org	\$513	Westglades Middle School
Make our Classroom Safe	DonorsChoose.org	\$246	Westglades Middle School
Florida Health Literacy Initiative	Florida Blue Foundation	\$5,000	CCS
Florida Science Teachers Association Grant	Florida Science Teachers Association	\$500	Central Park Elementary School
Garden Grant	Whole Kids Foundation	\$3,000	Broward Youth Treatment Center
GenYouth Foundation	GENYOUth	\$2,000	Attucks Middle School
School Garden Grants	Broward County Farm Bureau	\$250	Cross Creek Center School
Social Justice Grant	Citrix	\$25,000	Rickards Middle School
The Blackbaud Giving Fund	Blackbaud Giving Fund	\$70	Fox Trail Elementary School

SCHOOL GRANTS REQUESTED

Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
Annie's Grants for Gardens	Annie's	\$3,000	North Lauderdale Pre K-8
School Garden Grants	Broward County Farm Bureau	\$250	Davie Elementary School
City of Hollywood - COVID-19 Prevention &	City of Hollywood	\$700,000	Various schools
Florida Farm Bureau	Florida Farm Bureau	\$1,300	Each school will manage their own
Motorola Solutions and Consortium of Florida	Motorola Solutions	\$5,000	Cross Creek Center School
Motorola Solutions and Consortium of Florida	Motorola Solutions	\$5,000	Cypress Run Education Center
Motorola Solutions and Consortium of Florida	Motorola Solutions	\$5,000	Glades Middle School
StateFarm	StateFarm	\$15,250	Cypress Run Education Center

DISTRICT GRANTS AWARDED

Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
Balance the Equation: A Grand Challenge for Algebra 1 Planning	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	\$100,000	Secondary Learning
Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act	Broward County	\$3,271,632	Student Support Initiatives & Recovery & Food and Nutrition Services
Digital Divide	Miami Dolphins	\$100,000	Information & Technology Department
Entrepreneurship and Training Grant	Florida Department of Education	\$100,000	Career, Technical, Adult and Community Education (CTACE)
Social Justice Grant	Citrix	\$15,000	Equity and Diversity
State Regional Literacy Director	Florida Department of Education	\$204,667	Talent Acquisitions & Operations
T-Mobile's Project 10Million (formerly Sprint 1Million)	T-Mobile	\$9,500,000	Information & Technology Division
Urban School Food Alliance - Truist Bank COVID -19 Emergency Food Grant	Truist Bank through the Urban School Food Alliance	\$50,000	Food and Nutrition Services

DISTRICT GRANTS REQUESTED

Grant Program	Funding Source	Amount	Location
Balance the Equation: A Grand Challenge for	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	\$1,000,000	Secondary Learning
Florida Department of Education - Safety and	Florida Department of Education	\$3,992,410	Office of the Chief Financial Officer
Hearst Foundation	Hearst Foundation through the Broward	\$150,000	Innovative Programs Design/Support
Community Crisis Relief Rapid Response	JetBlue Foundation	\$20,000	Applied Learning
Discovery Research PreK-12 Grant	National Science Foundation (NSF) Directorate	\$420,244	Applied Learning
Discovery Research PreK-12 Grant	National Science Foundation Directorate for	\$1,500,000	Secondary Learning
Discovery Research PreK-12 Grant	National Science Foundation (NSF) Directorate	\$828,751	Applied Learning
StateFarm	StateFarm	\$74,159	Innovative Programs Design / Support Department
Truist Foundation	Truist Foundation	\$25,000	Early Learning Language Acquisition

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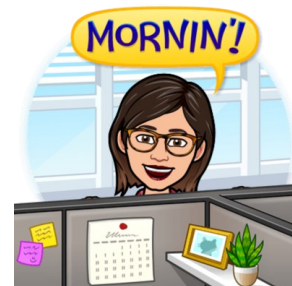
The Grants Department seeks to provide the highest level of support to all schools and District departments interested in competitive grant funding. If you know anyone interested in receiving this newsletter, please let us know or have them contact us!



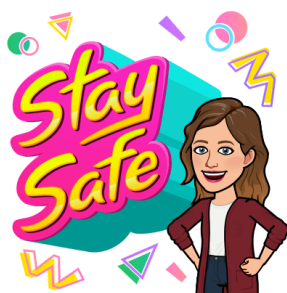
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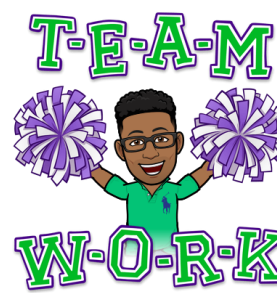
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