



ARTS
in
EDUCATION

ARTS GRANTS FOR TEACHERS

Information Session

2024-2025

For Lafayette Parish public schools

PURPOSE



ARTS GRANTS FOR TEACHERS

To encourage educators to design and develop artistically creative and innovative projects involving the visual and performing arts.

Arts Grants for Teachers



FOR PROJECTS THAT CAN...

- ❑ help develop understanding and appreciation of the arts
- ❑ complement other arts-related activities already implemented in the schools
- ❑ provide direct student involvement in the arts
- ❑ develop permanent arts resources
- ❑ integrate arts into other academic disciplines or provide support for teachers to become more proficient in the arts

ELIGIBILITY

WHO MAY APPLY

ANY LAFAYETTE PARISH PUBLIC

- teacher
- librarian
- guidance counselor
directly instructing
students is eligible to
apply

AMOUNT\$ YOU MAY REQUEST



- ❑ **\$750** - individual teachers
- ❑ **\$1,500** - shared grants submitted by two or more teachers, either within a school or between schools (directly impact more than one class of students)
- ❑ **\$2,000** – projects that culminate in a performance or exhibit at Student Arts Expo (minimum of 3 participating teachers and classes)

4 Arts Grants Categories



#1 Art Works Grant

- ❑ **Involve** students in visual arts, dance, theatre, music, design, architecture/environmental arts, creative writing, media or folklife

(may include production, performance, organization and development)

TIP: Consider bringing in a teaching artist!

#2 Integrated Arts Grant

- ❑ incorporate the arts into **academic instruction** (integrate them into literature, math, history, science and other curricula)

TIP: Consider bringing in a teaching artist!

4 Arts Grants Categories (continued)



#3 Resource Grant

- ❑ develop **permanent arts resources**
(such as fine arts reproductions, non-expendable equipment, films, books, etc., for an educational project, with an explanation of how the program will be implemented)

#4 Training Grant

- ❑ provide educators with arts education **training** by a recognized expert in an arts discipline
(with an educational component to be implemented upon completion)

Checklist...Additional Things You will Need

- ❑ statement of support from school principal
- ❑ statement of support from teaching artist (if applicable)
- ❑ information describing art resource materials to be purchased
- ❑ resumes of individuals working directly with students and paid through the grant budget
(unless the artist is a current AcA's Teaching Artists)
- ❑ resumes or bios of teachers directly involved in instruction for this project

GRANTS ARE **COMPETITIVE!**

Grants are reviewed by a panel, based on grant criteria

No limit on the number of applications per school or teacher.

Separate applications must be submitted for each project.

EVALUATION CRITERIA ... 4 CATEGORIES

#1 Approach - **Weight 40%**

- well-planned and designed project proposal
- expertise of educators and artists
- realistic timeframe

#2 Educational & Artistic/Academic Relevance - **Weight 20%**

- importance of proposed project
- impact on teacher practice and student understanding
- connection to curriculum
- artistic merit of proposed project

EVALUATION CRITERIA ... 4 CATEGORIES

#3 Budget - Weight 20%

- ❑ appropriate request level and use of funds

#4 Results - Weight 20%

- ❑ impact (large or small) for students
- ❑ plans for increased access, participation and exposure to the arts for students

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ❑ recurring and/or traditional school productions and exhibitions are ***not generally eligible***
- ❑ salaries for school administrative or teaching staff ***are not eligible***
- ❑ ***Art Works Grants and Integrated Arts Grants*** projects must allow for contact between the artist(s) and students during regular school hours (May request special permission for some projects)
- ❑ artists ***may not*** be used to fill teacher vacancies
- ❑ the teacher ***must be present*** at all times during grant activities
- ❑ the project and any resulting materials become the property of the Lafayette Parish School System

MORE IMPORTANT INFO

- ❑ do not request more funds than the grant guidelines allow
- ❑ the decision process takes approximately one to two months
- ❑ the ***grant review panel*** consists of administrators, educators, artists and community members
- ❑ some grants may require budget adjustments
- ❑ panel may suggest partial funding after consultation with the applicant to determine that viability of the grant can be maintained
- ❑ keep copies of your completed application for your school and yourself to use as a guideline throughout the project

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Funding Cycle: October 1, 2024 - May 31, 2025

Application Deadline: August 30, 2024

(by 4:00pm via online application)

Notification Date: End of September

Ready to Apply?!

Applications are open now!

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BEST OF LUCK!

Thank You!

