

## **Richard A. Smith North Attleborough Education Foundation General Information and Grant Guidelines**

### **OVERVIEW**

The Richard A. Smith North Attleborough Education Foundation (the Education Foundation) is committed to the support of innovative educational programs and enrichment activities for the benefit of students in the North Attleborough Public Schools (NAPS). The Education Foundation's focus is to help sustain the quality of the NAPS community. Nothing contributes more to the future of a community than the quality of the education the community provides its children.

Our sole mission is to support all NAPS students in achieving their highest potential by providing community support for innovative and excellent educational opportunities within the NAPS.

### **GRANT PROPOSALS**

Each year, the Education Foundation will focus on innovative, state-of-the-art programs with the goal to result in impressive and immediate results for increased student enrichment and achievement. The Education Foundation will achieve this goal through two distinct levels of grants:

- The Education Foundation provides funding for "**Initiatives for Achievement**" programs designed to enable students, teachers and the community to succeed. Grant funding for Initiatives for Achievement will generally exceed \$5,000 and follow the Education Foundation's guiding principle of applying to all North Attleboro Public schools and students. The District Leadership Team will recommend to the Superintendent initiatives based upon our student achievement data. The Leadership Team's recommendation will be made on an annual basis in September of each school year. It is imperative that the recommendation fit our District's current District Improvement Plan Goals, Mission, Vision and Core Values. The Superintendent will then put forth a written recommendation based upon the Leadership Team's recommendation.
- The Education Foundation will raise funds and award "**Grants for Classrooms**" in order to help inspire teachers to fulfill their goals for innovative programs. NAPS staff can apply for grant funding of up to \$1,000 on an annual basis. Grants funded may apply to a single classroom, grade or school. See attached grant application form.

### **GOALS**

The Education Foundation has not yet articulated a goal amount to contribute annually, but would like to recommend a goal of \$250,000 over the next five years. Using a simple formula of fund raising, \$10 per student, per year, and a student count of approximately 4,700 in the North Attleborough Public Schools, the Education Foundation can create a difference for North Attleboro students of \$47,000 annually.

Donations can be designated toward one of the stated objectives (Initiatives for Achievement or Grants for Classrooms) of the Education Foundation. If a preference is not stated, then donated funds would be placed in the general fund and will be used in the area where it is most needed.

Teacher Grant Application  
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The Education Foundation may allocate up to 10 percent of its assets each year for grant awards. Individual grants may not exceed \$1,000.

### **Who Is Eligible?**

North Attleborough Public School faculty and administrators, parents, students, and community members may apply for funding in support of educational programs and enrichment activities that benefit North Attleborough Public Schools. Applications can be made by individuals or by groups.

### **What do the Education Foundation Grants Support?**

- Grants will not underwrite basic school needs.
- The Education Foundation promotes projects that display partnerships between teachers, schools and multi-disciplines.
- Proposals that target a small number of students (one or two classrooms) will be considered as earnestly as projects impacting larger groups of students.
- The project is an innovative educational program that has not yet been put into action in the North Attleborough Public Schools.
- The projects may be a collaborative effort between educators, schools, parents, or others to reach children across the multiple classrooms, grades, or schools.
- The project supports and enhances the core values and goals of the North Attleborough Public Schools.

### **What Is Required?**

All applicants must submit an application, which will include the following:

1. Cover Page – A cover page with signatures from the applicant(s) and the building principal are required. These signatures are to ensure that the proposal fits with the school's academic and programmatic focus and values, yet is not meant to require a review of the proposal at the school level.
2. Introduction – Briefly define the purpose of the project (250 words or less), and why it is innovative
3. Who Benefits? – Please describe the benefit to the students of North Attleborough Public Schools. How many students will be impacted? Be specific about the advantages the project offers and why outside funding is required.
4. Goals and Objectives – Describe what the program will accomplish and how it will be accomplished. Please indicate if the project is related to a specific school district core value, district goal, or curriculum area. Describe who will be involved.
5. Proposed Schedule - Detail what will happen, when, where, and how the project will be executed.
6. Evaluation – Describe how you will determine whether your objectives have been reached and whether the project has been successful.
7. Budget – Provide details supporting your total dollar request. All budget items must be directly related to the proposed program. Teacher pay or food should not be included in your budget.
8. The applicants agree to account for and report on the project once funded.

### **Application Evaluation**

Applications will be reviewed and evaluated on the following basis:

- Realistic Budget
- Collaboration is evident

- Creativity, Innovation, and Overall Benefit to NAPS students
- Clarity of Goals and Objectives
- Evaluation Plan
- Quality of Application

**Timeframe**

Applications for the 2018-2019 grants are due by 4:00 p.m., Friday, December 14, 2018. Please send your application to the Superintendent's Office, 6 Morse Street, North Attleborough, MA 02760

Richard A. Smith North Attleborough Education Fund  
Grant Application Cover Page  
Grant Year 2018 – 2019

*Please complete this sheet and submit as the cover page to your grant application packet.*

Grant Title: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Budget: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant(s):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

Email address of Primary Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Principal:

I have reviewed this grant application and, in my opinion, it supports the educational goals of the North Attleborough Public School system. *Costs requested lie outside of the normal budget*, and appear to be well justified. I would grant permission for this project to proceed.

School Principal: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Budget – Provide details supporting your total dollar request. All budget items must be directly related to the proposed program. Teacher pay or food should not be included in your budget. (Use separate sheet if necessary for detailed description)

Total Project Budget \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Education Foundation Funds Requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Materials:

Equipment:

Fees:

Others:

Total: