OUTLINE OF PROCESS

PURPOSE

Both the Education Foundation of Greenville (EFG) and the education funds within the Greenville Area Community Foundation (GACF) have as their purpose to provide grants that will help support on-site innovative activities that align with the Greenville Public Schools curriculum. Requests that affect a large student population are looked upon favorably. These grants typically will not cover general operating expenditures.

AMOUNT

Grants from EFG generally will not exceed Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500).

There is no limit for grants from GACF Endowment funds, other than the limit placed upon them by the Foundation’s current spending policy. Area educational institutions, as well as other community organizations with an application that has an educational component, will be applying for grants from the GACF at the same time.

CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL

Approved applications must meet the following criteria:

- Must be consistent with the beliefs and missions of the school district, and EFG or GACF.
- A resident artist/scientist must have a total building or department focus.
- Must outline the tangible and intangible benefits for students as related to GPS curriculum.
- Must be supported and recommended by the Supervisor or Building Principal and the Assistant Superintendent.
- Must have means of evaluation.
- The financial sustainability for ongoing programs or projects must be addressed.
- New and innovative programs and projects are encouraged.
- Applicants may be requested to make a presentation to either the EFG Grant Review Committee or the GACF Board of Trustees.

RESTRICTIONS

1. EFG does not allow its grant monies to be used for GPS staff salary and benefits. GACF would consider a request for a program that may include staff salary and benefits as part of the total program request under extenuating circumstances.
2. EFG and GACF would consider a request for a program/project that may include books or videos as part of the total program.
3. EFG and GACF will consider allowing grant monies to be used for duplication of existing programs. Duplicating programs and/or replicating programs from one building to the next will also be considered.
4. EFG and GACF will consider grants to maintain current GPS programs.
5. Multi-year grants will be considered.

PROCEDURES

1. Complete the attached application form with the necessary signatures from your Supervisor or building Principal and Assistant Superintendent.
2. Submit the completed application to your supervisor or building principal by the deadline of January 29.
3. He/she will then sign off on the application and submit it to the District Grant Committee for review. This committee will then route your application to the appropriate funding organization. You will be informed of the status of your request by the mid April.
4. Recipients of any grant will be required to submit the appropriate paperwork including an evaluation of the program/project outcomes within one year and/or before a subsequent request will be considered.

2021 DEADLINES

January 29 – all applications to supervisors or building principals.

February 5 – all applications to Central Services for review by the District Grant Review Committee.

February 19 – District Grant Review Committee decision/apps to EFG/GACF.

April 19 – EFG and GACF decisions back to GPS.

April 20 – Applicants informed of grant decision.

Please type or print clearly in ink.

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