

Criteria for Discovery Grants

Eligibility Requirements

- GFPS teachers, staff, and administrators
- Student lead fundraising organizations within the school (i.e. school clubs)

Note

- An applicant is not limited to one application
- If a grant recipient transfers within the district during the grant period, the funding may travel with the teacher but if the grant recipient leaves the District, the funds must remain with the school or returned to the Foundation
- The Foundation will only fund a project 3 consecutive years after which the applicant will need to find outside funding

Project Summary

- Proposal clearly identifies who the project will reach
- Proposal clearly describes project activities and how they are organized to achieve learning objectives
- Project identifies a need
- Project relates to the learning and growth of students and/or teachers

Goals

- Project goals are clearly defined and measurable where appropriate
- The project exemplifies the goals of the GFPS Foundation grant program

Creativity and Innovation

- There is an extension of student learning beyond classroom
- Activities will provide students with access to new experiences, ideas, people, and or places

Sustainability

- Project has the capacity to be replicated
- Project activities and or outcomes will last beyond grant year

Curriculum

- Project identifies content area and describes how it relates to existing school curriculum

Timeline

- The project can realistically be accomplished in one year
- The timeline provided has realistic dates that are obtainable and linked to activities

Budget

- The items referenced and the corresponding amounts are appropriate
- If the project will require additional funding, are the sources identified

Evaluation

- The element being evaluated (i.e. student achievement, student behavior) is clearly identified
- Project includes a specific plan to share outcomes, results, new ideas and effective practices with the GFPS Foundation