



ONLINE: Grant Writing

“I learned information about grant writing that I did not know. This information will help me in the future.”
– Mary Jo L.

Every teacher dreams of an ideal world where the lack of funds or access to resources would not get in the way of sparking creativity, sharpening talent and widening horizons in education. Grant writing, as a craft, is a step closer to achieving that dream.

What can seem to be a complex set of processes, is a learnable skill, that can help teachers address both long-term and short-term goals. This online PD course presents a context that makes grant writing an essential skill while detailing the components of a grant application and the process of writing including assessing needs, developing an idea, writing a compelling statement, defining clear goals and objectives, developing a course of action and an evaluation plan, and drafting budget proposals.



This online course for teachers offers a look at some winning grant proposals to help teachers understand what a good proposal contains. Besides presenting principles, the class allows time for reflection, brainstorming and writing, to help teachers as they go through each section.

Standards:

This course aligns to all of the INTASC Standards including Learner Development, Learning Differences, Learning Environments, Content Knowledge, Assessment, Planning for Instruction and Instructional Strategies.

The course also aligns to the McRel Teacher Evaluation Standards including Teacher Leadership, Diverse Learners, Teachers Know Content and Teachers Facilitate Learning.

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- **Integrate** with school and district-wide initiatives
- **Low cost solution for all courses, all teachers, all school year**
- **Reports** for school administrators



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Course Outline

LESSON 1

Rationale and Guidelines

- Meaning and relevance of grant writing
- Broad guidelines for grant writing process
- Brainstorming to identify needs that can be addressed through grants
- Selecting points from an actual proposal

LESSON 2

Understanding your Grant Requirements

- Categorizing needs
- Understanding technological grants
- Thinking through details of different grant categories
- Creating a budget proposal

LESSON 3

Identifying Potential Funders

- Learning to identify productive sources for funds
- A look at professional development grants
- Exploring classroom enrichment and STEM grants
- Survey of grants for arts, students with disabilities and technology donations

LESSON 4

Securing a Grant

- Focus on writing style and format
- Understanding components of a grant proposal
- When and how to draft a short letter proposal
- Sending the proposal