

Grant Funding Leads

Education's battle cry: 'full speed ahead'

Most of our country's historical battle cries have been appeals to memory or blunt questions, such as "Remember the Alamo" or "Who's afraid of the big bad wolf?" or "Full speed ahead." Battle cries in education today regard the acquisition or implementation of a variety of emerging technologies. Current efforts are to develop students' ability to use multiple technology sources and to understand the quality and accuracy of information they are presented. However, education is an investment in the future, which sometimes squeezes the budget. We as a nation must make that investment to guarantee the continued growth and accuracy of the tech curricula available. Education's rally cry must resonate through the halls of Pitsco Education and other curriculum developers and include Farragut's famous "Full speed ahead" statement. Assistance to obtain the funds necessary to secure those educational materials may lie with some of the following resources:

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Category: No grade level specified

Academic Subjects: None specified

Special Considerations: Inventors, thinkers, and leaders

Deadline: None specified

Max Amount: Amounts vary

Website: <http://www.wkkf.org/what-we-do/overview>

Margaret A. Cargill Foundation

Category: No grade level specified

Academic Subjects: Variety of subjects

Special Considerations: Support teachers and teacher education

Deadline: To be announced

Max Amount: None specified

Website: <http://macphilanthropies.org/macfoundation/>

Kresge Foundation

Category: Program focuses on expanding student access to higher education.

Academic Subjects: Technology presents apparently limitless opportunities.

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Special Considerations: National and international

Deadline: None stated

Max Amount: Amounts vary

Website: <http://kresge.org/about-us/annual-report>

Entergy Foundation

Category: Secondary education

Academic Subjects: Variety of subjects

Special Considerations: ECF has a special focus on low-income initiatives as well as educational and literacy programs. [Arkansas](#), [Louisiana](#), [Massachusetts](#), [Michigan](#), [Mississippi](#), [New Hampshire](#), [New York](#), [Texas](#), and [Vermont](#)

Deadline: Only Mississippi has an April 1 deadline.

Max Amount: \$1,000

Website: http://www.entergy.com/our_community/ECF_grant_guidelines.aspx

Siemens Foundation

Category: Secondary education

Academic Subjects: Science primarily

Special Considerations: Is the nation's premiere science research competition for high school students

Deadline: September 22

Max Amount: Amounts vary

Website: <https://siemenscompetition.discoveryeducation.com/>

Teacher's Pet

(grant tip geared specifically toward teachers' smaller projects)

Dreyer's Foundation

Category: No grade level specified

Academic subjects: Variety of subjects

Special Considerations: Donate money, ice cream, or gift certificates

Deadline: Monthly basis

Max Amount: \$3,000

Website: http://www.dreyersinc.com/dreyersfoundation/small_grants.asp