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| **Conferences, Competitions & Service Projects** | | | | | |
| **Social Studies** | | | | | |
| American Historical Association (AHA) Teaching Prizes | | **Level:**  K-12 | The AHA's broad-based teaching mission includes making resources available to educators at all levels and at public history venues, introducing and integrating historians into the discipline, providing ongoing education for historians at every stage of their careers—through topical and professional sessions at the annual meeting, and by way of both innovative web resources and distinguished print publications. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.historians.org/teaching/Beveridge.htm> | **Program for Teachers** | |
| Association for Asian Studies Awards | | **Level:**  All | The AAS has several different programs, fellowships, grants, and awards for educators and students who have had a focus on Asian studies. | | |
| *Website:*  <http://www.asian-studies.org/Grants-and-Awards/Distinguished-Contributions> | **Program for Teachers and Students** | |
| Bill of Rights Institute Programs and Awards | | **Level:**  10-12 | Founded in 1999, the Bill of Rights Institute pursues its mission to educate high school students and teachers about our country’s Founding principles through classroom materials and programs that teach the words and ideas of the Founders; the liberties and freedoms guaranteed in our Founding documents; and how America’s Founding principles affect and shape a free society. The organization offers essay contests to students, and camps. For teachers, it offers fellowships and professional development opportunities. | | |
| *Website:*  <http://billofrightsinstitute.org/> | **Program for Teachers and Students** | |
| Golder-Lehrman Institute of American History – History Teacher of the Year Award | | **Level:**  K-12 | History Teachers of the Year are chosen from each state and awarded $1,000 an archive of classroom resources, and recognition at a ceremony in their state. The National Winner receives a $10,000 prize presented at an award ceremony in their honor in New York City. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.gilderlehrman.org/content/national-history-teacher-year> | **Program for Teachers** | |
| James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation | | **Level:**  7-12 | The James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation offers $24,000 James Madison Graduate Fellowships to individuals desiring to become outstanding teachers of the American Constitution at the secondary school level. Fellowship applicants compete only against other applicants from the states of their legal residence. As funding permits, the Foundation plans to offer one fellowship per state per year. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.jamesmadison.gov/> | **Program for Teachers** | |
| National Council for Geographic Education (NCGE) – Distinguished Teaching Achievement Awards | | **Level:**  All | NCGE is dedicated to recognizing educators and advocates who  have made outstanding contributions to geography education.  Awards are given for teaching, research, and service. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://ncge.org/programs/awards-program/> | **Program for Teachers** | |
| National Council for History Education (NCHE) – Paul Gagnon Prize | | **Level:**  K-12 | The Paul Gagnon Prize will be presented to either a K-12 history teacher who exhibits exceptional historical scholarship or an individual or group that has made a significant contribution to the promotion of history education. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://ncheteach.org/Paul-A-Gagnon-Prize> | **Program for Teachers** | |
| National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS) – Outstanding Social Studies Teacher of the Year Award | | **Level:**  K-12 | Sponsored by the National Council for the Social Studies, this award is given to outstanding teachers, researchers, and other individuals and programs. This program recognizes classroom social studies teachers for grades K-6, 5-8, and 7-12, who teach social studies regularly. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.socialstudies.org/membership/ncss-outstanding-social-studies-teacher-year> | **Program for Teachers** | |
| National History Day (NHD) Competition | | **Level:**  6-12 | National History Day®(NHD) is a non-profit education organization based in College Park, Maryland. NHD offers year-long academic programs that engage over half a million middle- and high-school students around the world annually in conducting original research on historical topics of interest. Since 1974, NHD has continuously improved history education by providing professional development opportunities and curriculum materials for educators. The largest NHD program is the National History Day Contest that encourages more than half a million students around the world to conduct historical research on a topic of their choice. Students enter these projects at the local and affiliate levels, with top students advancing to the National Contest at the University of Maryland at College Park. The competition also provides the opportunity for teachers to be recognized for their work. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.nhd.org/about> | **Program for Teachers and Students** | |
| Organization of American Historians Awards | | **Level:**  All | The Organization of American Historians sponsors or cosponsors awards, prizes, fellowships, and grants given in recognition of scholarly and professional achievements in the field of American history. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.oah.org/awards/> | **Program for Teachers and Students** | |
| Texas Council for the Social Studies (TCSS) Awards | **Level:**  K-12 | | Every year at the annual fall conference, TCSS members are honored as outstanding teachers and social studies educators. The process for determining the award winners begins with the nomination of candidates. Think about the exceptional educators you know in your own school setting or a colleague that you might know through attending workshops and conferences. There are many outstanding teachers in TCSS, please take a few moments to help this organization give special recognition to those members. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://txcss.net/Awards-&-Grants> | **Program for Teachers** | |
| United States Holocaust Memorial Museum – Teacher Fellowship Program | | **Level:**  7-College | This fellowship is opened to US educators in grades 7 through community college who serve as leaders in Holocaust education for their schools, their communities, and their professional organizations. These educators must show evidence of extensive knowledge of Holocaust history, successful teaching experience, and participation in community and professional organizations. Museum Teacher fellows will participate in a five-day, all-expense paid summer institute at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C., designed to immerse participants in advanced historical and pedagogical issues. Following the summer institute, Teacher Fellows are expected to create and implement an outreach project in their schools, communities, or professional organizations. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.ushmm.org/teach/opportunities-for-educators/museum-teacher-fellowship-program> | **Program for Teachers** | |
| Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) – National Citizenship Education Teachers’ Award | | **Level:**  K-12 | Without our nation’s veterans, America wouldn't be the great nation it is today. Our youth deserve to learn about our rich history, traditions and the role of our veterans in creating and shaping America. Each year, the Veterans of Foreign Wars selects elementary, middle, and high school teachers to participate in the Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher program. | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.vfw.org/TeacheroftheYear/> | | **Program for Teachers** |

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| **Art Grants** | | | |
| Dallas Symphony Young Strings Program | **Level:**  6-10 | Designed to increase the diversity of American orchestras, the Dallas Symphony Young Strings program develops the talents of exceptional and underrepresented string players in the city of Dallas by providing its students with the skills, lessons, opportunities, and resources essential for success both in college and careers in music. | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.mydso.com/educate/young-strings> | **Program for Students** |
| Mr. Holland’s Opus Foundation | **Level:**  K-12 | The Mr. Holland’s Opus Foundation keeps music alive in our schools by providing vital support services to school districts, and new musical instruments to underfunded music programs nationwide, giving under-represented youth access to the many benefits of music education, leading them to success in school, and inspiring creativity and expression through playing music. | |
| *Website:*  <http://www.mhopus.org/Home> | **Program for Schools and Students** |

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| **Foreign** **Languages** | | | |
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| American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Awards | **Level:**  K-12 | The ACTFL Awards Program recognizes outstanding contributions to the field of language education. Awards and nomination procedures are announced and candidates' names are solicited through announcements in ACTFL publications and through letters to ACTFL member organizations each year. The results of the selections are announced at the ACTFL Annual Meeting and in the Winter issue of The Language Educator. | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.actfl.org/learn/actfl-professional-awards> | **Program for Language Teachers** |
| United States-Japan Foundation Awards and Grants | **Level:**  K-12 | The United States-Japan Foundation offers grants in the areas of Pre-College Education, Communication / Public Opinion, US-Japan Policy Studies and operates the United States-Japan Leadership Program. | |
| *Website:*  <https://us-jf.org/programs/grants/> | **Program for Teachers and Students** |

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| **General Grants** | | | | | |
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| American Library Association | **Level:**  K-12 | This site offers a variety of awards and grants for school librarians, media professionals, and teachers. | | | |
| *Website:*  <http://www.ala.org/awardsgrants/> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| American Turkish Society – Curriculum Development Grants | **Level:**  All | Moon and Stars Project grants are dedicated to highlighting Turkey's arts and culture scene and establishing a two-way cultural interaction between the United States and Turkey. The American Turkish Society awards competitive grants to support emerging and established artists in an effort to promote this cross-cultural dialogue. Project-specific grants in support of travel and lodging are provided for projects exhibited in the U.S. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.americanturkishsociety.org/moon-and-stars-project-grants> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| DonorsChoose | **Level:**  All | DonorsChoose enables teachers to post resource needs and it allows donors to browse and grant requests. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.donorschoose.org/> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Fulbright Teacher Exchanges | **Level:**  K-12 | The Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Semester Research Program sends select U.S. primary and secondary school teachers abroad for three to six months. Teachers pursue individual projects, conduct research, take courses for professional development, and share their expertise with local teachers and students.  The Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Short-Term Program sends expert U.S. teachers to support projects identified by U.S. Embassies and Fulbright Commissions in schools, teacher training colleges, government ministries, and educational NGOs. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.fulbrightteacherexchanges.org/programs/#us> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Fulbright Teachers for Global Classrooms Program (Fulbright TGC) | **Level:**  K-12 | Fulbright TGC is a year-long professional development opportunity for U.S. elementary, middle, and high school teachers to develop skills for preparing students for a competitive global economy. Fulbright TGC equips teachers to bring an international perspective to their schools through targeted training, experience abroad, and global collaboration. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.irex.org/project/fulbright-teachers-global-classrooms-program-fulbright-tgc> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Fund for Teachers | **Level:**  K-12 | K-12 teachers with a minimum of three years teaching experience as a full time teacher spending at least 50% of the time in a classroom or classroom-like setting, in an eligible area, can apply for this grant by designing a professional development experience. Eligible applicants may apply as an individual or as a team; the funding limit is $5,000 per person and $10,000 total per team of two or more. Applicants submit a written online proposal explaining how their experience will make them a better teacher and how the applicant’s improved skills or capacity will be implemented in the classroom, benefiting students, curricula, and school. In addition, applicants should supply information as to how they will document experiences and describe, in narrative form, their proposed fellowship budget. | | | |
| *Website:*  <http://www.fundforteachers.org/> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Great Decisions Teaching Training Institute | **Level:**  9-12 | Through the Great Decisions Teachers Training Institute, the Foreign Policy Association hosts talented teachers from across the country, committed to international education. In order to promote the expansion of global affairs discussion in high school classrooms, the Teachers Training Institute provides teachers with the training and materials necessary to provide in-depth international studies discussion. The Foreign Policy Association will also be able to provide accommodation and $300 towards travel expenses. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.fpa.org/features/index.cfm?act=feature&announcement_id=146> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| International Literacy Association (ILA) Awards and Grants | **Level:**  All | The International Literacy Association offers various grants and fellowships for study of beginning reading, reading difficulties, literacy and instruction, and adult readers, among other subjects. These include the $5,000 Jeanne S. Chall Research Fellowship; the Corwin Literacy Leader Award; the Jerry Johns Outstanding Teacher Educator in Reading Award for $1000; the Maryann Manning Special Service Award; the $1,000 Steven A. Stahl Research Grant; and travel grants to IRA conventions. | | | |
| *Website:*  [*https://www.literacyworldwide.org/get-involved/awards-recognition/awards-grants*](https://www.literacyworldwide.org/get-involved/awards-recognition/awards-grants) | **Program for Teachers and Students** | | |
| KABOOM! Grants for Outside Play | **Level:**  K-12 | KABOOM! offers grants for a variety of play opportunities for kids of many age ranges. From traditional [playgrounds](https://kaboom.org/grants/build_it_with_kaboom), to [STE(A)M and creative play products](https://kaboom.org/grants/creative_play), to physical fitness-promoting [Multi-sport Courts](https://kaboom.org/grants/multi_sport_courts) and [Adventure Courses](https://kaboom.org/grants/adventure_courses) for older kids and teens, as well as temporary and permanent [Play Everywhere](https://kaboom.org/play_everywhere) installations bringing ways to play to spaces that are already part of a family's everyday routine. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://kaboom.org/grants> | | **Program for Teachers** | |
| Kids in Need Foundation | **Level:**  K-12 | This foundation delivers boxes of needed school supplies and classroom resources for teachers and students at underprivileged schools. Programs include Supply A Teacher.org, the Supply A Student, and the Second Responder® program. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.kinf.org/programs-and-initiatives/supplyateacher/> | | | **Program for Teachers and Students** |
| Laura Bush Foundation | **Level:**  All | The Laura Bush Foundation for America’s Libraries provides funds to our Nation’s neediest schools so that they can extend, update, and diversify the book and print collections in their libraries with the goal of encouraging students to develop a love of reading and learning. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.bushcenter.org/topics/education/laura-bush-foundation-for-americas-libraries> | **Program for School Libraries** | | |
| McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation – Academic Enrichment Grants | **Level:**  K-12 | The McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation offers Academic Enrichment Grants designed to develop in-class and extra-curricular programs that improve student learning. The Academic Enrichment Grants provide funding for programs that nurture the intellectual, artistic, and creative abilities of children from low-income households. The McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation awards grants to individuals in amounts up to $10,000 per year for a maximum of $30,000 over three years, provided the eligibility requirements continue to be met. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://mccartheydressman.org/academic-enrichment-grants/> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| National Education Association’s Foundation | **Level:**  All | The National Education Association’s Foundation for the Improvement of Education offers numerous grants and awards for educators. The exhaustive list is on their website. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.neafoundation.org/for-educators/> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Pet Care Trust – Pets in the Classroom | **Level:**  PreK-9 | The Pet Care Trust is sponsoring the “Pets in the Classroom” program that provides educators with funds to purchase and maintain classroom pets. The grants are offered to Pre-K through 9th grade classes only and teachers can only receive one grant per school year. | | | |
| *Website:*  [*https://petsintheclassroom.org/*](https://petsintheclassroom.org/) | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Teachers for Global Classrooms Program (TGC) | **Level:**  K-12 | Fulbright Teachers for Global Classrooms equips educators from the United States to bring an international perspective to their schools through targeted training, experience abroad, and global collaboration. This yearlong professional learning opportunity for K–12 educators features an intensive online course and a short international exchange. | | | |
| *Website:*  https://www.irex.org/project/fulbright-teachers-global-classrooms-program-fulbright-tgc | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Voya Unsung Heroes Award | **Level:**  K-12 | For two decades, and with nearly $5 million in awarded grants, Voya Unsung Heroes has proven to be an A+ program with educators. The program’s “alumni” have inspired success in the classroom and impacted countless numbers of students. | | | |
| *Website:*  <http://corporate.voya.com/corporate-responsibility/community-investment/childrens-education/voya-unsung-heroes> | **Program for Teachers** | | |

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| **General Awards** | | | |
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| American Library Association | **Level:**  K-12 | This site offers a variety of awards and grants for school librarians, media professionals, and teachers. | |
| *Website:*  <http://www.ala.org/awardsgrants/> | **Program for Teachers** |
| Association for Middle Level Education (AMLE) | **Level:**  6-8 | The AMLE has a list of awards that are awarded to outstanding middle grade educators. | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.amle.org/AboutAMLE/AMLEAwards/AMLEEducatoroftheYear/tabid/258/Default.aspx> | **Program for Teachers** |
| Columbia Scholastic Press Association | **Level:**  Grades  9-12 | The Columbia Scholastic Press Association, and its affiliate for teachers, the Columbia Scholastic Press Advisers Association, offer awards to celebrate contributions by distinguished people in education, the media and public life. These awards are given in recognition of assistance and encouragement to student editors and faculty advisers working with them on student newspapers, magazines, yearbooks and online media in schools and colleges. | |
| *Website:*  <http://cspa.columbia.edu/how-we-can-help> | **Program for Teachers and Students** |
| International Literacy Association (ILA) Awards and Grants | **Level:**  All | The International Literacy Association offers various grants and fellowships for study of beginning reading, reading difficulties, literacy and instruction, and adult readers, among other subjects. These include the $6,000 Jeanne S. Chall Research Fellowship; Teacher as Researcher grants of up to $5,000; Elva Knight Research Grants of up to $10,000 each, awarded to IRA members for proposed research addressing new and significant questions; the $5,000 Nila Banton Smith Research Dissemination Support Grant for an IRA member to disseminate research; the $1,000 Helen M. Robinson Grant for a doctoral student or association member in the early stages of study; and travel grants to IRA conventions. | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.literacyworldwide.org/get-involved/awards-recognition/awards-grants> | **Program for Teachers** |
| National Education Association’s Foundation | **Level:**  All | The National Education Association’s Foundation for the Improvement of Education offers numerous grants and awards for educators. The exhaustive list is on their website. | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.neafoundation.org/for-educators/> | **Program for Teachers** |
| National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF) | **Level:**  Secondary and Post-Secondary | This scholarship is for secondary and post-secondary restaurant and foodservice educators who want to complement classroom time with additional industry knowledge by participating in a "hands-on" work experience or attending one of the NRAEF Summer Institutes. | |
| *Website:*  <https://chooserestaurants.org/Discover-Opportunities/For-Educators> | **Program for Teachers** |
| National Schools of Character Program (NSOC) | **Level:**  K-12 | National Schools of Character (NSOC) is an annual awards program recognizing K-12 schools and districts demonstrating outstanding character education initiatives that yield positive results in student behavior, school climate and academic performance. Although winners may differ in method, content, and scope, all emphasize core ethical values such as honesty, respect, responsibility and caring. Selected schools and districts receive a cash award of $2,000, national recognition, and are featured in the Character Education Partnership (CEP)’s annual NSOC book/CD and on CEP’s website. | |
| *Website:*  <http://character.org/schools-of-character/> | **Program for Schools** |
| National Teachers Hall of Fame | **Level:**  PreK-12 | The National Teachers Hall of Fame annually honors five teachers who have demonstrated commitment and dedication to teaching. Anyone may nominate a teacher. Inductees receive a $1,000 stipend, $1,000 in materials for their school district, a $1,000 scholarship for a student in the inductee's school district who is planning to pursue a degree in education, and more. Candidates must be certified classroom teachers (active or retired) with at least 20 years of experience teaching in grades preK-12. | |
| *Website:*  <http://www.nthf.org/nominate-a-teacher.html> | **Program for Teachers** |
| National Teacher of the Year Program | **Level:**  K-12 | Sponsored by The Council of Chief State School Officers and Scholastic, the National Teacher of the Year Program began in 1952 and continues as the oldest national honors program that focuses public attention on excellence in teaching. A national selection committee representing the major national education organizations chooses the National Teacher of the Year from among the State Teachers of the Year. The site contains information about the application and nominating processes, duties of the National Teacher of the Year, and the selection criteria. | |
| *Website:*  <https://ccsso.org/> | **Program for Teachers** |
| Turnaround Management Awards | **Level:**  All | TMA honors excellence through its annual awards program, which recognizes achievements in individual awards, chapter awards, teaching, and others. Award winners are honored at The TMA Annual, a conference that takes place in a new location each fall. | |
| *Website:*  <https://turnaround.org/about/tma-awards> | **Program for Teachers** |
| Voya Unsung Heroes Award | **Level:**  K-12 | Voya honors outstanding teachers in all 50 states through a $2,000 grant program. The First Place Teacher receives $25,000. | |
| *Website:*  <http://corporate.voya.com/corporate-responsibility/community-investment/childrens-education/voya-unsung-heroes> | **Program for Teachers** |

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| **STEM** | | | | | | | | |
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| Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship Program | **Level:**  K-12 | The Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship (AEF) Program provides a unique opportunity for accomplished K-12 educators in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) to serve in the national education arena. Fellows spend eleven months working in Federal agencies or in U.S. Congressional offices, applying their extensive knowledge and classroom experiences to national education program and/or education policy efforts. At the end of the Fellowship, educators are prepared to return home, equipped with access to a national network of education leaders and programs, a better understanding of the challenges and possibilities in STEM education, and a renewed passion for teaching, ready to make significant contributions to their schools and school districts. | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://science.osti.gov/wdts/einstein> | **Program for Teachers** | | | | | |
| American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) | **Level:**  K-12 | The AIAA offers classroom grants of up to $500 worthy projects that significantly influence student learning. K-12 teachers who use science, math, or technology in the classroom can apply; applications should show an emphasis on STEM with a focus in Aerospace. | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.aiaa.org/get-involved/students-educators/aiaa-foundation-classroom-grant-program> | **Program for Teachers** | | | | | |
| Captain Planet Grants | **Level:**  K-12 | The mission of the Captain Planet Foundation is to give the next generation of environmental stewards an active understanding and love for the natural world in which they live. | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://captainplanetfoundation.org/resources/grants/> | **Program for Teachers** | | | | | |
| Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) | **Level:**  All | Under the Environmental Education Grants Program, EPA seeks grant applications from eligible applicants to support environmental education projects that promote environmental awareness and stewardship and help provide people with the skills to take responsible actions to protect the environment. This grant program provides financial support for projects that design, demonstrate, and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques. Since 1992, EPA has distributed between $2 and $3.5 million in grant funding per year, supporting more than 3,800 grants. | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants> | **Program for Schools** | | | | | |
| International Technology Education Association (ITEA) Educator Awards | **Level:**  All | This site provides a list of International Technology Education Association awards available to technology educators. Awards support programs that will: make our children technologically literate; transfer industrial and corporate research into our schools; produce models of excellence in STEM through Technology and Engineering teaching; create public awareness regarding the nature of technology and engineering education; and help technology and engineering teachers maintain a competitive edge in technology. | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.iteea.org/Activities/AwardsScholarships.aspx> | | **Program for Teachers** | | | |
| Knowles Science Teaching Foundation (KSTF) Fellowships | **Level:**  K-12 | The Knowles Science Teaching Foundation (KSTF) is asking for teachers to make a commitment to stay in the classroom.  Valued up to $175,000 and renewable for up to five years, the highly competitive Fellowships are awarded to new teachers committed to teaching STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) in high schools nationwide. KSTF offers its Fellows professional workshops, materials grants, and access to a teacher-to-teacher mentoring network. By doing so, KSTF gives teachers the tools they need to inspire kids to think critically and creatively about math and science. | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://knowlesteachers.org/teaching-fellowship> | | **Program for Teachers** | | | | |
| Lemelson-MIT Awards and Grants | **Level:**  K-12 | Sponsored by Lemelson-MIT, InvenTeams is a national grant initiative that fosters inventiveness among high school students. InvenTeams asks high school students, teachers, and mentors to collaboratively identify a problem that they want to solve, research the problem, and then develop a prototype invention as an in-class or extracurricular project. Teachers apply with students for grants of up to $10,000 to support each team's efforts. Other Lemelson-MIT awards are available to both teachers and students. | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <http://lemelson.mit.edu/> | **Program for Teachers and Students** | | | | | |
| National Association of Geosciences Teachers (NAGT) –Outstanding Earth Science Teacher Award | **Level:**  K-12 | Outstanding Earth Science Teacher (OEST) awards are given for "exceptional contributions to the stimulation of interest in the Earth Sciences at the pre-college level." Any teacher or other K-12 educator who covers a significant amount of earth science content with their students is eligible. Ten national finalists are selected, one from each NAGT regional section. Some sections also recognize state winners. Individuals may apply themselves or nominate a colleague for the award. | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://nagt.org/nagt/awards/oest.html> | | | **Program for Teachers** | | | |
| National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) | **Level:**  PreK-12 | The NCTM offers a variety of grants especially for mathematics teachers. Funding ranges from $1,500 to $24,000 and is available to help math teachers, prospective teachers, and other math educators improve the teaching and learning of mathematics. | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.nctm.org/Grants/> | | | | **Program for Teachers** | |
| National Geographic | **Level:**  K-12 | Teacher grants are given directly to educators to facilitate their work in promoting and increasing geographic literacy in the classroom, school, district, and/or community. Teacher grant applications are accepted from any current teacher or administrator in an accredited K-12 school within the United States and Canada. Projects that have outreach to urban areas are particularly encouraged. | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/grants> | | | | **Program for Teachers** | |
| National Science Teachers Association | **Level:**  K-12 | The National Science Teaching Association has numerous grants and award programs available for teachers. | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.nsta.org/topics/grantsfellowships/all> | | | | **Program for Teachers** | |
| National Weather Association (NWA) – Sol Hirsch Fund Grants | **Level:**  K-12 | Grants up to $750 are available annually from the NWA for K-12 teachers who help to improve meteorology education for their students. The selected teachers can use the funds to take an accredited course in atmospheric sciences, attend a relevant workshop or conference, or purchase scientific materials and equipment for the classroom. | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://nwafoundation.org/scholarships-grants/sol-hirsch-education-fund-grants/> | | **Program for Teachers** | | | |
| Project Learning Tree (PLT) – GreenWorks! Grants | **Level:**  K-12 | Since 1992, Project Learning Tree has offered GreenWorks! grants to schools and youth organizations for environmental service-learning projects that link classroom learning to the real world. Students implement an action project they help design to green their school or to improve an aspect of their neighborhood’s environment. | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.plt.org/resources/greenworks-grants/> | | **Program for Teachers** | | | |
| Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math and Science | **Level:**  K-12 | The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) are the highest honors bestowed by the United States government specifically for K-12 science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and/or computer science teaching. The Awards were established by Congress in 1983. The President may recognize up to 108 exemplary teachers each year. | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.paemst.org/home/view> | | **Program for Teachers** | | | |
| Raytheon – Math Contests | **Level:**  6-12 | MATHCOUNTS, Math Moves U, Rocket Challenge | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.mathcounts.org/programs/2022-raytheon-technologies-mathcounts-national-competition> | | | | | **Program for Students** | |
| Texas Retired Teachers Foundation (TRTF) | **Level:**  Retired Teachers | "A Helping Hand," launched in 2010, provides public education retirees with charitable assistance for a one-time special need or other short-term hardship. Recipients include anyone who is receiving or is eligible to receive an annuity from the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). Since its inception, TRTF has awarded over $206,500 in aid to over 204 recipients. | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.trtf.org/TRTF/INITIATIVES/A_HELPING_HAND/TRTF/Initiatives/HelpingHand.aspx?hkey=c015aa77-e0cb-406f-b48b-fc086f6648bc> | | **Program for Teachers** | | | |
| Toshiba America Foundation (TAF) | **Level:**  K-12 | Toshiba America Foundation (TAF) grants fund the projects ideas and materials teachers need to innovate in their Science, technology, engineering and math classrooms. TAF is interested in funding innovative projects designed by teachers or small teams of teachers for use in their own schools and classroom. | | | | | | |
| *Website:*  <http://www.toshiba.com/taf/> | **Program for Teachers** | | | | | |

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| **Service and Character** | | | | | | |
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| Captain Planet Grants | | **Level:**  All | Educators, both K-12 classroom and informal, who are interested in receiving support for students to design and implement hands-on environmental solutions are eligible for project funding. Please carefully research the grants and resource opportunities below to determine which program best fits your needs. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://captainplanetfoundation.org/resources/grants/> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Fulbright Teacher Exchanges | **Level:**  K-12 | | Fulbright Teacher Exchanges are programs of the U.S. Department of State, funded by the U.S. Congress. Through these professional learning programs, elementary and secondary educators, in the U.S. and around the world, develop their educational practice and bring global knowledge, skills and perspectives to their schools. Educators forge lasting connections and prepare their students to be future leaders, equipped to work with others around the world to address global challenges. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.fulbrightteacherexchanges.org> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Fulbright Teachers for Global Classrooms Program (Fulbright TGC) | | **Level:**  K-12 | Fulbright TGC is a year-long professional development opportunity for U.S. elementary, middle, and high school teachers to develop skills for preparing students for a competitive global economy. Fulbright TGC equips teachers to bring an international perspective to their schools through targeted training, experience abroad, and global collaboration. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.irex.org/project/fulbright-teachers-global-classrooms-program-fulbright-tgc> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation – Academic Enrichment Grants | | **Level:**  K-12 | The McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation offers Academic Enrichment Grants designed to develop in-class and extra-curricular programs that improve student learning. The Academic Enrichment Grants provide funding for programs that nurture the intellectual, artistic, and creative abilities of children from low-income households. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://mccartheydressman.org/academic-enrichment-grants/> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| National Association of Special Education Teachers (NASET) | | **Level:**  K-12 | Each year, NASET presents awards in a variety of categories for outstanding professional accomplishments. NASET takes great pride in the accomplishments and service of its members, and therefore bestows on to them awards and recognition for their work in the field of special education. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.naset.org/788.0.html> | | **Program for Teachers and Schools** | |
| National Schools of Character Program (NSOC) | | **Level:**  K-12 | National Schools of Character (NSOC) is an annual awards program recognizing K-12 schools and districts demonstrating outstanding character education initiatives that yield positive results in student behavior, school climate and academic performance. Although winners may differ in method, content, and scope, all emphasize core ethical values such as honesty, respect, responsibility and caring. | | | |
| *Website:*  <http://character.org/schools-of-character/> | **Program for Schools** | | |
| NEA Foundation – Global Learning Fellowship | **Level:**  K-12 | | Through the NEA Foundation Global Learning Fellowship, public school educators develop the knowledge and skills to integrate global competency into their daily classroom instruction, advocate for global competency in their schools and districts, and help students to thrive in our increasingly interconnected world. Fellows transform their classrooms to give students a global perspective. NEA Foundation Global Learning Fellows participate in a 12-month professional development program that includes in-person workshops, online coursework, webinars by leading experts, peer learning, and an international field study experience. The NEA Foundation partners with EF Educational Tours, a global leader in international education, to design transformative field study experiences for the Fellows. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.neafoundation.org/for-educators/global-learning-fellowship/> | **Program for Teachers** | | |
| Project Learning Tree (PLT) – GreenWorks! Grants | | **Level:**  K-12 | Since 1992, Project Learning Tree has offered GreenWorks! grants to schools and youth organizations for environmental service-learning projects that link classroom learning to the real world. Students implement an action project they help design to green their school or to improve an aspect of their neighborhood’s environment. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.plt.org/resources/greenworks-grants/> | | | **Program for Teachers** |
| Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) – National Citizenship Education Teachers’ Award | | **Level:**  K-12 | Without our nation’s veterans, America wouldn't be the great nation it is today. Our youth deserve to learn about our rich history, traditions and the role of our veterans in creating and shaping America. Each year, the Veterans of Foreign Wars selects elementary, middle, and high school teachers to participate in the Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher program. | | | |
| *Website:*  <https://www.vfw.org/TeacheroftheYear/> | | **Program for Teachers** | |