

PUBLIC SCHOOL GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES

GOALS

- To improve the educational experience for students K–12 in public school districts located in communities served by ONEOK.
- To provide opportunities to cultivate and enhance relationships with community leaders while working together to improve public education.

GRANT PRIORITIES

- Classroom enrichment projects and instructional technology
- Assistance for disadvantaged students
- Curriculum-based materials and equipment
- Programs that help improve student performance and/or enrich student experience

GRANT ELIGIBILITY

- Public school districts located in communities where ONEOK operates.
- Grant awards are generally \$5,000 or less and designated for specific items requested.
- Applicants may apply and receive one grant per year. If the public school district has a foundation, the application should be submitted from the foundation. If there is no school foundation, the school administration should ensure that only one application is submitted from the district.
- Recipients must submit all requested documentation to qualify for a grant.
- Requests will be evaluated based on innovation, demographics, percentage of student body impacted and estimated duration of use.

The following will not be eligible for grant funding:

- o Salaries, student scholarships, teacher continuing education, training or honoraria
- o Travel expenses for school-related excursions
- Sponsorships for extracurricular school events
- Yearbooks, textbooks, student publications or campus advertisements
- o Rental fees for furniture or equipment, sales taxes, shipping costs or delivery fees
- o Multi-year commitments or capital improvement projects usually funded by bond issues

APPLICATON PROCESS & SCHEDULE

- Use this link <u>https://www.cybergrants.com/oneok/publicschool</u> to create an organization profile account and submit an application.
- If the organization is a 501(c)3, you can create a FrontDoor account then click "Get Started," which is free and creates a single account/profile to manage and gain access to ONEOK's portal along with other funders. If the organization is NOT a 501(c)3 or if you don't want to use FrontDoor, then create an account through "Standard Login" and then click "First time user create an account."
- Submit an application by clicking on "Start a New Public School Grant Application" at the bottom of the Welcome Page.
- Applications are accepted during the fourth quarter of the current year/first quarter of following year, at which time the link will be available online.
- Requests are reviewed annually on a competitive basis. Applicants will be notified of the final decisions and approved grants will be paid in the second quarter of calendar year.

If you have questions, email <u>communityinvestments@oneok.com</u>.