

Beyond the Books Educational Foundation
Rubric for
STANDARD Grant Applications

Evaluation Criteria	Application Must	10 Points	5 Points	1 Point	Score
1) Application describes a program or activity that is innovative and creative.	Describe an innovative and creative approach to learning that demonstrates a new concept or a unique application of an existing idea.	The application contains a new concept, or a unique application of an existing concept.	Moderately innovative concept or application is used.	Innovation is unclear, poorly articulated, or not present.	
Evaluation Criteria	Application Must	5 Points	3 Points	1 Point	Score
2) Application clearly describes the proposed program or activity.	Clearly describe the proposal. Identify your goals/objectives and describe what you plan to do.	Proposal includes a complete description. Goals and objectives are realistic and clearly stated.	Proposal includes a partial description of the program. Goals and objectives may be unclear or not entirely realistic.	Proposal description is incomplete or unclear. Goals and objectives are unrealistic or are absent.	
3) Application demonstrates how proposed program or activity will have a direct impact on student achievement.	Describe in detail how the proposal has a direct impact on the achievement of students. Plan articulates a direct link to student involvement and expected student achievement.	There is a strong and direct link to expected student achievement. The proposal is engaging, age appropriate, and excites student learners.	There is an indirect or partial link to expected student achievement. The proposal potentially increases student learning.	No link to expected student achievement.	
4) Application clearly describes collaboration and educational connections.	Include collaborative partners who each add value to the proposed program or activity. Collaborative partners may include grade levels, inter-departmental partnerships, business or community partnerships.	Proposal is specific in defining collaborative partners, their roles, and how these partnerships enhance the proposed program or activity.	The proposal identifies limited collaborative involvement and provides some indication of the impact the collaboration partners will have on the proposed program or activity.	There is little or no collaboration identified in the proposal.	

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5) Application clearly describes research-based strategies and clearly relates those strategies to proposal.	Present a clear connection between the proposal or activity and current educational research.	The proposal is specific in defining relevant educational research, which supports the proposed plan or activity. Multiple sources are cited within the proposal.	The proposal identifies a limited number of educational research sources supporting the proposed plan or activity.	Educational research is not included in the proposal.	
6) Application describes how proposed plan or activity is educationally sustainable.	Present a clear, realistic proposal showing how the skills and concepts will be implemented into teaching and learning and will be sustained over time.	The proposal is specific in describing how the proposed plan or activity could continue with minimal support.	The proposal somewhat defines a method to continue the plan or activity.	This project could not continue or does not address educational sustainability.	
7) Application includes a variety of appropriate methods to evaluate the effectiveness of the program or activity.	Identify and describe clear methods of evaluating the effectiveness of the proposed plan or activity on student achievement.	Proposal contains pre and post assessments of student achievement and are reported at the end of the program or activity.	An assessment plan with limited student achievement information is identified within the plan.	There are no methods of assessment or evaluation identified in the proposal	
8) Application includes a list of items and a budget in whole dollars that is complete and contains all the information.	Be realistic with a complete budget of proposal expenditures in whole dollars with a list of items.	Plan includes a complete budget in whole dollars and a list of items.	A partial budget is included.	Budget is incomplete or not included.	
Total Score - Max 45 points					

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