

OFFICE OF COMPETITIVE GRANTS NEWSLETTER



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Grant Deadlines This Month

November 2022

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The Snapdragon Book Foundation

The Snapdragon Book Foundation was started to provide funds to improve school libraries for disadvantaged children.

The foundation exists to put books in the hands of kids. In a time when many schools are reallocating their funds to technology, they hope to make sure that school libraries are still offering children good books to read.

Grant funds may be used for:

- Books that will be used repeatedly through classroom libraries.
- Processing or cataloging fees from book vendors (for processing of the books ordered in conjunction with your Snapdragon project).
- Reference materials for use by students.
- Magazine or newspaper subscriptions.

Grant amounts typically range from \$2,500 to \$10,000

Application Closes: February 5, 2023 by 9:59 p.m. MT
Awards Announced: May 2023

For information and to apply, go to:

<http://snapdragonbookfoundation.org/application/>

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Laura Bush Foundation For America's Libraries

The mission of the Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries is to support the education of our nation's children by providing books and reading material to the school libraries and students that need them. The foundation provides funds to update, extend and diversify the book and print collections of America's school libraries that receive them.

The grant award may be used only for books, periodicals, eBooks, reference materials, and magazine/newspaper subscriptions.

Application Closes: November 30, 2022 by 10:59 p.m. MT
Awards Announced: Spring 2023

District documents are required in this application packet. Contact the OCG at least one week prior to submission to request those documents.

For more information and to apply, go to:

<https://laurabushfoundation.secure-platform.com/a>

Texas Retired Teachers Foundation: Classroom Assistance Grant

Classroom Assistance Grants are awarded to Texas public school teachers who, on a daily basis, demonstrate commitment to public education and Texas children through the creation of programs, events or other learning platforms.

The Texas Retired Teachers Foundation (TRTF) will award \$750 grants to 30 public school teachers in Texas for the 2023-2024 school year.

Application Closes: January 27, 2023 by 4:00 p.m. MT
Awards Announced: March 31, 2023

For more information and to apply, go to:

<https://trta.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2023-2024-Classroom-Assistance-Grant-Application.pdf>

Toshiba America Foundation Grant: Grades 6-12

Toshiba America Foundation accepts applications from teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. Funded projects in grades 6-12 provide students with the opportunity to “do science” in new ways that promise to increase their engagement with the subject matter and improve their learning.

- **Applications must be for innovative, project based learning activities.**
- **Computers, laptops, or tablets are not allowable costs.**
- **Grants are for \$5,000 or less.**
- **Only online applications are accepted.**

Application Closes for \$5,000 or less	Awards Announced	Funds Sent By
12/1/2022	1/15/2023	2/15/2023

For more information and to apply, go to: <https://www.toshiba.com/taf/612.jsp>

KidsGardening: 2023 Youth Garden Grant

The KidsGardening mission is to create opportunities for kids to play, learn, and grow through gardening, engaging their natural curiosity and wonder. The Youth Garden Grant supports school and youth educational garden projects that enhance the quality of life for youth and their communities.

Eligibility: an organization that is planning a new or improving an existing garden program that serves at least 15 youth between the ages of 0 and 18. Previous Youth Garden Grant winners are not eligible.

Grantees will receive:

- Funding in the amount of \$500 for the purchase of garden supplies, and
- Collection of gardening supplies

An additional 10 grantees will also receive a specialty garden package.

Application Closes: December 2, 2022 by 11:59 p.m. PT
Awards Announced: January 6, 2023

Project will end, including submission of final report documents: June 15, 2023

For more information and to apply, go to:

<https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/youth-garden-grant-23/>

DonorsChoose

DonorsChoose provides a way for teachers to request much needed materials, equipment, and items for their classrooms through a simple project application.

For step by step instructions, visit the Office of Competitive Grants webpage: [DonorsChoose Process](#)

For more information and to apply, go to:
<https://www.donorschoose.org/teachers>

Please ensure all grant and DonorsChoose project applications are submitted to Ysleta ISD's Office of Competitive Grants for approval prior to submittal to the funder.

Useful Steps for Successful District Routing

All grant and project applications, regardless of the dollar amount, must be routed through the central office administrative approval process.

Step 1: Write the application and follow the required steps to complete the application. Do NOT submit it to the funder.

Step 2: Print a copy of the application. Ensure the full narrative is visible. If unable to expand the response boxes, include a Word document with full responses.

Step 3: Complete and sign the [YISD Campus Grant Submission Form](#) and have your principal sign too.

Step 4: To start the district routing approval process, scan and email the completed application and the signed Campus Grant Submission Form to lcuster@yisd.net in the Office of Competitive Grants (OCG).

Step 5: Allow up to 5 business days for the routing process to be completed. Several central office departments may be involved in this approval process.

Step 6: Once the application has been approved, the OCG will notify you to submit the grant or project application to the funder.

Step 7: Notify the OCG once your project has been funded.

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If you need assistance with your application, please contact the Office of Competitive Grants early in the process.

For grant procedures and helpful information, please visit our website at www.yisd.net under the Office of Competitive Grants link.

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