November, 2026

D300 Foundation Large Grant Application

Thank you for your interest in the D300 Foundation's Large Grant Program. Our mission is to enhance, enrich and extend learning opportunities for all D300 students. The Large Grant Program is made possible through donated funds.

Foundation grants are intended for new, innovative programs designed to enhance and enrich student learning beyond the scope of programs already funded by the District.

Guidelines:

- Large Grants start with a group of teachers across the district, along with at least one Foundation Trustee, who come together to propose a program. Often times, these programs start out as classroom based Innovation Grant which has proven to be successful.
- Please contact the Foundation to find out more about the Large Grant program and be put in contact with Trustee who can guide you through the Large Grant process. www.d300foundation.org.
- Grant proposals must align with current District 300 curricula and technology standards.
- The Foundation will no longer be accepting grant requests for:
  - Furniture (alternative seating, desks, etc.)
  - Computers (iPads, Laptops, Chromebooks, etc.)
- Purchases must be through approved District 300 vendors.

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- Please be specific and provide details to assist with the evaluation of your application.
- Do not use acronyms without explaining their meaning.
- Attach document(s) showing the items being purchased and their costs. Include all web links if available.
- All grant requests are reviewed by the D300 Foundation Projects Committee, along with CUSD300 Administration to ensure the proposed project meets Foundation objectives and current District 300 curriculum and technology standards.

The Large Grant Application Form is available online at www.d300foundation.org.
Innovation Grant applications will be accepted until ***February 12, 2027***.

Large Grant Application Instructions (cont.)

Completed applications will be reviewed by the D300 Foundation Projects Committee, including representatives from the D300 Superintendent's Curriculum and Technology departments. *All grant applicants will receive notification in mid-March of the status of their application.*

Grant funds will be available in May 2027, and must be expended by March 15, 2028.

At the conclusion of your project, you will be **required** to submit an evaluation report including pictures of your grant project. This evaluation report is reviewed by Foundation Trustees and CUSD300 Administrators. The D300 Foundation must be credited on all project materials, publicity, signage, etc. Suggested credit line: "X was made possible by a grant from the D300 Foundation for Educational Excellence". Also, your name(s) may be used for publicity purposes.

If you have questions regarding this process, please contact the Foundation at d300foundation.org or email Foundation Trustee, Dr. Bill Doran at BillDoran10@gmail.com

We look forward to many innovative ideas!

Submission deadline is Friday, February 12, 2027

**** A preview of the grant questions appear on the next page.****

Grant Application Questions:

1. What is inspiring you to write this grant? Describe the need in the classroom/school learning environment prompting you to apply.

2. Describe your program and how it creates an innovative learning experience.

3. Explain how this learning experience relates to State Standards. Do not list the standards, tell us what group of students is served by this project.

4. Budget -Your purchases must be through a District approved vendor. List supplies and other expenses needed in order to implement your project. (No Estimates) You may attach a document showing the items being purchased and their cost below.
Budget - submit file(s) here

5. Evaluation - What will the evaluation process be and how will you determine if this project was successful?

6. Evaluation - Describe the benefits received by the project's participants.

7. In what form do you plan to make the results (products) of this project available to other educators? (Reports, presentations, sharing materials/resources, etc.) Any products such as pictures and/or exhibits that lend themselves to publicizing this program are encouraged and help promote the Foundation.