



The Birmingham Education Foundation

2016-17 Small but Mighty Grant Application

The **Mission:** Birmingham Education Foundation raises private funds from our community to ensure academic excellence and innovation in the Birmingham Public School District.

The Small but Mighty grant is new for 2016-17. The BEF hopes that these grants will help in those times when our staff might otherwise pay for something out of their own pocket. The maximum award for this grant is \$250. Applications are being reviewed by a smaller committee, and it is our goal to have a very quick turn around on these. To start the year, we have allocated \$5,000 to these grants.

GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES *(Please read carefully prior to applying.)*

1. BEF Grants do not fund transportation of any kind, professional development or salaries of staff or coaches, individual student scholarships, consumable goods, events that have already taken place or items that have already been purchased.
2. The maximum amount for a Small but Mighty grant is \$250. (For larger grants, please see our Great Idea Grant.)
3. Grant applications must be for things that align with the BPS strategic plan, the mission of the BEF, and for those things which fall outside of the district budget, which includes the 2015 Bond.
4. Grant requests must be made by a BPS employee.
5. Each staff member is eligible for only one Small but Mighty Grant per year.
6. Grants must be submitted with a detailed budget and signed by a BPS administrator. District approval is required for all grants.
7. The BEF believes in partnership with other school organizations to make everyone's limited funds go further. We highly encourage grant seekers to explore other funding sources in addition to the BEF in order to fully fund grant initiatives. If you are not sure what other funding sources might be available, please contact your principal.
8. Visit www.supportbef.com/grant-applications to download and review the sample grant application prior to completing this application.

GRANT APPLICATION

Staff name(s): Mr. George W. Carver Date: 9/1/16

Email address(es): peanuts@birmingham.k12.mi.us

Phone: 248-203-3030

School(s): Derby Middle School

Title or Topic of Grant: History Presentation for 8th grade classes

Amount of Grant Request: \$250 Have you requested funds from other sources? Yes No

If you have requested funds from other sources, please explain: The eighth graders have fundraised \$300 for this project.

Projected Start Date: Feb. 11, '17

Projected End Date: Feb 14, '17 or Ongoing

Grade of Students Impacted: 8th

Number of Students Impacted: 200

Have you viewed the sample grant on our website prior to completing this request? Yes No

Narrative Description of Grant Request

Please give describe your project.

Use as much space as necessary to describe the full scope of your project.

In February, the eighth grade will be coming to the end of a unit focused on African American history. To complete the unit, we are requesting funds to bring in special guest who will talk with the students about the Underground Railroad, as well as brining in artifacts for the student to interact with.

Provide a timeline for your project:

The presenter will arrive on February 11, and we will be doing activities related to the presentation in Social Studies class from February 11 through February 14.

Provide a detailed budget for your project:

Grants must provide a detailed budget before they will be considered. Grants without a detailed budget will not be considered.

Presenter fee: \$450

Materials for activity related to presentation: \$100

Total: \$550

The \$300 raised by the students will pay for the materials and a portion of the presenter fee.

Applicant Signature: G. W. Carver

Principal/Supervisor's Signature: George's Principal

Grants must be signed by a principal or supervisor before they will be considered.