

## Innovative Classroom Projects Application Criteria

The Pasco Education Foundation Innovative Classroom Projects are intended to enhance classroom instruction and ensure student learning experiences match the rigor of the Standards. All applications must align with Florida Standards, and/or school improvement plans and address the district's success plan. These projects should encourage higher standards that challenge and motivate our students.

Instructional materials funded by these grants become the property of the school/department in which the employee is employed when applying.

A. All applications will be evaluated by Leading and Learning directors and/or curriculum-design coaches to ensure projects align with the Standards in the classroom. The decision to approve a request for allocation will be based upon the grant's likelihood of improving outcomes of student performance and unifying instructional excellence. The review process will assess criteria based on:

- Project Description (1-10 pts)
- Aligns with Standards (1-20 pts)
- Supports district curriculum (1-20 pts)
- Clarity in the purpose of project objectives (1-20 pts)
- Overall benefit to students (rigor of Standards) (1-20 pts)
- Overall reaction to project application (1-10 pts)
- B. Innovative Classroom Projects may be funded to include:
  - 1. Classroom materials, program supplies, books, special equipment, etc. for "special" classroom projects
  - 2. Computer software
  - 3. special considerations deemed appropriate by the reviewer(s)

C. Innovative Classroom Projects will not be funded for the following:

- 1. Books that could be funded by the school's book budget (In special cases some books will be funded if the books needed are to enhance a special project or program)
- 2. Advertising
- 3. T-Shirts or clothing for projects
- 4. Computers, Cell phones, PDA's
- 5. Travel, bus transportation or field trips
- 6. Receptions or parties at schools (food, beverage, entertainment, decorative or promotional items)
- 7. Those items not listed that are deemed inappropriate by the reviewer(s)

All Innovative Classroom Project Applications are due no later than Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

## \*Important\*

Final Evaluation forms must be submitted at the end of your project or no later than June 1, 2024. Semester Testing scores will be required if applicable.