
STEM Innovation Grant Instructions

HOW TO APPLY:

The links to the all Freeport-McMoRan Foundation applications can be found on www.FreeportinmyCommunity.com.

NOTE: We only accept applications submitted ONLINE.

NEW USER REGISTRATION:

If you are a new user and your organization does not have a profile in CyberGrants, click on 'First Time User' to create an account. Organizations that have applied for a grant previously will have a profile in the CyberGrants system. If you (the person applying) are a first time user and do not have a login, but your organization does have a profile, please email foundation@fmi.com to receive a login for your organization. When you log in, you will be prompted to change your password. Once logged in, you may update, delete and create new contacts for the organization.

NEW ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION:

You must use your NCES (National Center for Education Statistics) Identification number rather than a Tax Identification Number. You can find your NCES School ID and NCES District ID at the NCES website: <http://nces.ed.gov/globallocator/>

- **School ID: K-12 public and private schools.** For public schools, the NCES School ID should be the last 5 digits of a 12 digit NCES School ID number. For private schools, the School ID should be the 8 digit NCES School ID. If you do not know the school's NCES information, please visit the NCES website.
- **District ID: K-12 public schools only.** The NCES District ID should be the first 7 digits of a 12 digit NCES School ID number. If you do not know the school's NCES information, please visit the NCES website.
- ****Private schools should leave this field blank.**

STEM INNOVATION GRANT - SAMPLE APPLICATION

This is an example of the *online application* that you will submit. It may be useful to print it and refer to it as you prepare your own application. **NOTE: This is a READ ONLY version of the application. Do not mail a paper application.** The online grant application consists of seven sections, each of which must be completed for your proposal to be considered.

This is an example of the application questions with which you will be presented. It is recommended that you compose the answers to the paragraph questions in a word processing program and then cut and paste that text into the online application.

Contact Information

Please fill in the applicant's contact information.

Salutation, Title, Name, Address, Telephone, E-mail Address, Contact Type

School Information

Please enter the school's information.

Official Name, Legal Name, Address, Telephone, E-mail Address, Website Address, Principal Name, School District Name, NCES School ID, NCES District ID

Project Information

Project Title - Please enter your project title.

Grant Amount Requested - The maximum amount awarded per STEM Grant is \$5,000. The maximum amount awarded per school is \$10,000.

Total Project Budget - Please enter the total project budget amount.

Project Budget Upload - This project budget should provide the total amount of funding you are requesting and explain how funds will be spent. List all items and expenses that are and/or will be part of the proposed project activities, such as kinds of materials and equipment. Reference funding from other sources, if applicable.

Project Community - Select the Community you are applying for.

Freeport-McMoRan Relationship - Please describe any relationship you have with the Freeport-McMoRan Operation (i.e. presentations in class, field trips, parent volunteers, etc.) If you do not have a relationship with a Freeport-McMoRan Operation, enter "NONE".

Project Summary - Briefly summarize the proposed project, including target population, number of students to benefit in one academic year and project start and completion dates.

Projected Project Start Date - Enter the project start date.

Projected Project End Date - Enter the project end date.

Educational Need - Describe how the project addresses a compelling and well-defined educational need?

Target Population - Identify the target population, number of students and geographic area that the grant will benefit.

STEM Project Activities - Describe the project activities. Activities and instruction should engage students in hands-on, inquiry-based learning of STEM concepts.

STEM Project Goals - State project goals and measurable objectives based on the educational need. For example, a goal and objective for organizing a summer science camp may be:

- Goal - To provide a response to the challenge to improve student motivation and achievement in science.
- Objective - Students will demonstrate increased science content knowledge as measured by pre- and post-assessments. Upon completion of the camp, the post test will indicate that 80% of campers increase content knowledge by 50%.

Achievement - Describe how the project will increase participation and academic achievement of students in STEM.

Project Partners - Describe project partnership(s) and how partners will engage in the project. Partners may be another teacher, school or district; a two- or four- year college; a statewide, regional or national K-12 education program; a business or industry; or a community-based or non-profit organization that serves young people.

Assessment - Provide a plan for assessing the effectiveness of the project activities. Include a description of assessment tools and processes to be used.

Assessment Tools - Please attach any tools that are already developed. Please submit your document with the following naming format – "Organization Name Organization Assessment Tools Year". Please note that we can only accept .xls, .xlsx, .docx, .doc or .pdf documents.

Sustainability - Describe how the project will encourage continuity of innovative STEM activities ensuring schools and school staff build capacity to create and sustain efforts to increase participation in and achievement in STEM.

Statement of Understanding

I understand that the awarding of all grant amounts shall be at the sole discretion of the Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Foundation STEM Innovation Grant Review Committee. The Foundation has the right to disseminate information and materials developed as a result of the project. Grant funds must be used for developing and implementing the project proposed in this application unless a request to use the funds otherwise is submitted to and approved by the Foundation. Should I receive equipment or materials through this grant, I acknowledge that should I leave the school district or take a non-teaching position within the district, the equipment will remain with the district and be assigned to another teacher.

Statement of Understanding - Do you agree to the terms & conditions described in this Statement of Understanding?

Applicant Electronic Signature - Please enter your first and last name. Typing your name is equivalent to a legal signature confirming that you will comply with the obligations specified above.

Applicant Signature Date - Please enter the date you are electronically signing this Statement of Understanding.

Principal's Email Address – Please enter the principal's emails address.

Principal Electronic Signature - Please enter your first and last name. Typing your name is equivalent to a legal signature confirming that you will comply with the obligations specified above.

Principal Signature Date - Please enter the date you are electronically signing this Statement of Understanding.