



GSN (Geological Society of Nevada) FOUNDATION

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GSN Foundation Earth Science Education Grants (Targeting K-12 classrooms, Colleges, and Youth Organizations)

Applications due by March 31st

The GSN Foundation recognizes and supports the need for earth science education in the classroom, from K-12 to college level.

We have expanded our scope of funding to include classroom teaching as well as field trips and have also expanded our scope to include college level applicants and youth organizations.

Field Trips: Since many of the expenses for field trips, notably transportation, are not paid by the school districts, GSN Foundation has the opportunity to assist, in a meaningful way, by helping to defray some of these expenses.

Classroom: Funding to assist classroom teaching will be considered for a variety of applications, including but not limited to, printed materials (books, pamphlets, posters), mineral testing kits, mineral collections, and any other teaching aids that we would consider beneficial to earth science education.

GUIDELINES FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS

Grants for **earth science-related field trips** will generally be limited to transportation expenses. **Field trips must address some aspect of geology such as rocks, minerals, mining, faulting, earthquakes, volcanic activity, glaciation, fossils, landforms, erosion, river processes, soils, or cave formation.** Field trip costs other than transportation (such as admission fees) may be considered on a case-by-case basis. **Contact Ruth Carraher, 775-240-6623, for further information/with questions.**

Classroom Grant Applications

- 1) Grants for **classroom learning materials** will be for the purchase of teaching aids directly related to earth science education.
- 2) Grants are generally limited to Five Hundred dollars (\$500.00) per field trip or classroom learning request, however larger funding requests will be considered by the Review Committee. A teacher may submit applications for multiple different class field trips to be taken in one school year.
- 3) Requests should be made by the teacher/instructor of the group taking the field trip or teaching earth science in the classroom
- 4) Requests for grants for the entire school year must be received by March 31 of the CURRENT school year, but they may apply retroactively to field trips taken earlier in the fall term.
- 5) Requests will be accepted from teachers or home-schoolers in all areas of Nevada.
- 6) A written acknowledgment of field trip or classroom earth science curriculum completion must be provided by the teacher or instructor receiving the grant.
- 7) Any special consideration for "AT RISK" schools will be on a case-by-case basis.
- 8) Favorable consideration will be given to requests indicating supplemental fund-raising efforts.
- 9) Grants will be in the form of a check from the GSN Foundation Treasurer made out to the requesting school.
- 10) Send completed application forms to: Ruth Carraher, GSN Foundation, racarraher@gmail.com, 775-240-6623. (It is advisable to confirm with Ruth that your application has been received).

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Youth Organizations Grant Applications

- 1) Grants are generally limited to Five Hundred dollars (\$500.00) per field trip request, however larger funding requests will be considered by the Review Committee. Applications can be submitted for multiple field trips per year, with each field trip requiring a separate application.
- 2) Requests should be made by the instructor/adult supervisor of the group taking the field trip.
- 3) Requests for grants for the entire calendar year must be received by March 31.
- 4) A written acknowledgment of field trip must be provided by the organization receiving the grant.
- 5) Favorable consideration will be given to requests indicating supplemental fund-raising efforts.
- 6) Grants will be in the form of a check from the GSN Foundation Treasurer made out to the requesting organization.
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GRANT APPLICATION

NAME OF SCHOOL or ORGANIZATION: _____

INSTRUCTOR/APPLICANT NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY/ST/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

AGE OR GRADE LEVEL(S) OF PARTICIPANTS: _____ NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: _____

DATE OF FIELD TRIP: _____

- **DESCRIPTION OF FIELD TRIP** (INCLUDE DATE, TIME, PLACE, PURPOSE, **GEOLOGIC CONTENT**, AND PERTINENT LOGISTICS (USE ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NECESSARY):

TOTAL COST OF TRIP: \$ _____ COST OF BUS (or other vehicle) TRANSPORTATION: \$ _____

OTHER FUND RAISING EFFORTS FOR THIS EVENT AND AMOUNTS (TO BE) RAISED: _____

- **DESCRIPTION OF IN-CLASSROOM CURRICULUM:** DESCRIBE THE **GEOLOGIC CONTENT** AND THE MATERIALS TO BE USED IN TEACHING AND THE SPECIFIC ITEMS TO BE PURCHASED FOR THIS CURRICULUM (USE ADDITIONAL PAGE IF NECESSARY):

AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM THE GSN Foundation : \$ _____

ARE YOU AN "AT RISK" SCHOOL (AS DEFINED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT)? Yes _____ No _____

COMMENTS AND/OR JUSTIFICATIONS: _____

SIGNATURE OF TEACHER/ADMINISTRATOR: _____ DATE: _____

Mail or e-mail completed applications to: Ruth Carraher, GSN Foundation, 2175 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512; email:

racarraher@gmail.com Questions? Ruth Carraher 775-240-6623, or email.

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