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TECHNOLOGY IN RURAL HIGH SCHOOLS

*Request for Proposals*



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## **The R. C. Durr Foundation, Inc. Grant for Technology in Rural High Schools**

The Durr Foundation is pleased to announce competitive grants for funding technology initiatives in selected rural high schools in the Northern Kentucky area. The goal is to provide cutting edge technology resources to rural high schools to improve instruction and to prepare students with the skills needed in 21st Century Careers. The grants will allow for teaching faculty and schools to apply for funding to offset the cost of technology equipment and software to be utilized for instructional purposes at the high school level. Projects should be substantially finished by the end of 2012 with a preference given to projects which may in place by the beginning of the fall semester of 2012.

The number of awards may vary based upon the total number of applications, quality of those applications, and the amount awarded. Any changes will be made at the sole discretion of the Durr Foundation.

This request for proposal is by invitation only and has been issued to the following schools: Grant County High School, Williamstown High School, Carroll County High School, Gallatin County High School, Owen County High School, Pendleton County High School, Harrison County High School, Augusta Independent School, Bracken County High School, Mason County High School, St. Patrick School, and Deming High School.

### **Awards**

Currently, the following two categories and amounts of awards are available:

**School Level** (Only one entry per high school will be accepted; total amount \$30,000):

Award One: \$15,000 (one recipient)

Award Two: \$10,000 (one recipient)

Award Three: \$5,000 (one recipient)

**Faculty/School Level** (Multiple entries will be accepted and grants will be based on the merits of proposals; total amount up to \$20,000):

\$2,000 per entry (potentially ten recipients)

### **Selection Process:**

All applications must be received by the Durr Foundation by June 30, 2012. Late applications will not be accepted. After all applications are received, a small committee of evaluators will rank the proposals. All rankings are confidential. Award announcements will be made no later than two weeks from the deadline.

### **Criteria:**

The criteria are reflected in the application form. Each proposal must try to address a need for technology and include an assessment plan. A follow up report is due to the Durr Foundation, evaluating effectiveness. The following items should be included in the proposal.

## Proposal

### **Project Abstract:**

Provide a concise summary of your proposal. The summary should not exceed one page and should include description and project goals/objectives as they relate to technology use. Please make sure that you indicate the level of funding sought in this section.

### **Statement of Need:**

Describe the problem that the technology will attempt to address.

### **Program Description:**

Provide details about the use and implementation of technology. Include desired outcomes.

### **Budget:**

Describe the equipment, software, costs, and other expenses for your project. If expenses will exceed the amount of grant funding, explain how additional funding will be obtained.

### **Evaluation:**

Provide a plan for assessment about the effectiveness of the technology purchased as a result of the grant. The Durr Foundation would like a brief (one page) follow-up report from the successful recipients at the end of the implementation year.

The applications can also be filled online by clicking on the following link:  
<http://bit.ly/durrgrant>. Or, applications may be mailed to:

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