

Request to Place an Item on the AgendaName: Chris SkipworthAddress: TCCHSTelephone number: 270-265-2506

Name of school children attend, if applicable: _____

Group represented: TCCHS EngineeringCheck if request was submitted to: ☒ Superintendent ☐ Board ChairpersonConferred with following administrators (names): Lee OverlinDescription of Issue: TVA STEM grantSpecific Action Requested: permission to apply for the
TVA-STEM classroom grantCheck if you are: ☐ Board Member ☒ District Employee ☐ Community Member

All requests for items to be placed on the agenda must be submitted to the Superintendent prior to the Board meeting as specified in Board Policy 01.45. Items submitted shall require prior approval of the Superintendent.

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STEM Classroom Grants

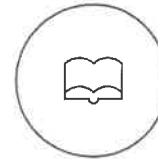
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Classroom Funding



TVA Service Areas



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"The Tennessee Valley Authority understands that excellence in education is the key to our future," said TVA STEM Education Manager Rachel Crickmar. "We want to work directly with teachers to support initiatives that advance STEM activities in the classroom to develop a talent pipeline for TVA and its customers."

About TVA

The Tennessee Valley Authority is a corporate agency of the United States that provides electricity for business customers and local power companies serving nearly 10 million people in parts of seven southeastern states. TVA provides flood control, navigation and land management for the Tennessee River system and assists local power companies and state and local governments with economic development and job creation.

Applications for the 2022/2023 program open September 1, 2022 and close October 17, 2022.

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Application Processes

Applying

Eligible applicants are teachers or administrators in public or private schools, grades K-12. Schools must be located in the TVA service area and receive power from a TVA distributor. If a TVA service provider is misidentified in the application, that application will not be accepted. Please contact your school to verify the school's local power distributor.

Applications are now accepted through [Submittable.com](https://www.tsin.org/classroom-grants). With

Funding Guidelines

Funds may not be used for furniture, cash, gift cards, travel, salary, food, general office supplies not related to STEM activities, or sports, unless the funding is requested for pandemic response (See more details below).

TVA does not provide grants to individual fundraising efforts, sporting events, school trips or transportation, construction projects, renovation projects or capital campaigns, political organizations, labor organizations,

Guidelines for Spending

All funds must be spent by June 1, 2023 and must be spent in the manner outlined in the approved grant proposal.

Everything purchased with the grant funds is to become property of the school or organization and must stay with the school or organization if the teacher who applied were to depart.

A report on the completed project is due on or before June 30, 2022 (See red link above).


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add

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m to your safe senders list so that you receive all grant updates and communication.

Additionally, please be sure to download the [Budget Template](#)), which is necessary to complete your application.

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nonprofit institutions.

Funding Priority Areas

- Environment
- Energy
- Economic and Career Development
- Community Problem Solving

(Examples of projects funded in each category below.)

Schools with previous TVA grants who have received extensions and not yet completed their project are not eligible for funding for this round.

Tips for Your Application

A high scoring application will:

- Be a unique, innovative, and/or

A well written application will:

- Clearly communicate the

All applications should:

- Contain a budget outline (using the


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century skills

- Enhance college and career readiness
- Be collaborative or interdisciplinary across subjects and/or grades
- Involve a community partner
- Impact a high percentage of students
- Expose traditionally underserved students to STEM learning

students'

understanding of STEM

- Contain a description of how intended outcomes will be assessed

supplies not related to STEM activities, or sports

- Be from a school that receives power from a TVA distributor
- Be your own, unique work
- Agree to all of the terms and conditions at the end of the application

Examples of Previously Funded Projects for Each Focus Group

**Community
Problem
Solving**

Environment

Energy

**Economic and
Career
Development**

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Gardening

School: Spring Hill
Elementary

For this project, students research, design, and launch a plan to grow crops without soil. Students help develop an edible school garden and utilize an automatic vertical hydroponic system. They work together to investigate, create, and communicate ideas related to the topic of food security for our community and state. Through an outdoor classroom, students learn about innovations and agricultural concepts that span across math, science, art, health, social studies, and technology. Throughout the project, students monitor, compare, measure, test, and alter the conditions to best support the plants. These new outdoor skills can be taken home to their families and they strengthen the relationship between the school and community.

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FAQS

Do you have questions? We have answers.

Do I have to have the exact pricing for each item on my budget?



How do I know if my school is in a TVA service area and receives power from a TVA distributor?



What projects are NOT eligible for a grant?



I can't get the form to work. Can I apply via email?



Can my school apply for more than one grant? Can I apply for more than one grant?



A vendor or district representative wrote my application for me, is that ok?



When will I be notified? Will I be notified if I didn't win?



If my application is funded, when can I expect to receive funds?



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Still have questions?





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applicable TVA regulations at 18 C.F.R pts. 1502, 1507, 1509 and 1517, no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, sex or disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under this program. In addition, no qualified person with a disability shall, on the basis of a disability, be subjected to discrimination in employment (including hiring) under the program. If you feel you have been subjected to discrimination as described above, you, personally or by a representative, have the right to file a written complaint with TVA not later than 180 days (for race, color, national origin, or sex) or 90 days (for age or disability) from the date of the alleged discrimination. The complaint should be sent to Tennessee Valley Authority, Federal Assistance Programs, 1101 Market Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402-2801.
 A copy of the applicable TVA regulations may be obtained on request by writing TVA at the address given above.

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