

GRANT APPLICATION COVER PAGE

Board Representative _____ Title _____ Date 01-21-25

A.) Narrative:

Franklin -Simpson High School's Mission- to empower students to be college and/or career Ready.

Simpson County Board of Education's Mission- To develop all children to their fullest potential and prepare them for the next level of life.

Franklin Simpson High School Tomorrow's Leaders group is providing students with a valuable opportunity to explore different sectors of their community while enhancing their leadership skills. Partnering with Western Kentucky University provides valuable opportunities for students to gain insights into specific career fields. Professors can provide essential guidance on educational requirements and the skills necessary for success in various professions. This partnership can significantly enrich students' understanding of their future career paths and the steps they need to take to succeed. By focusing on various topics each month, such as agriculture, health services, law, and government, students gain insights into post-secondary education and career development in those fields. This kind of program not only helps students understand the various career paths available to them but also encourages them to engage with their community and develop skills that are essential for effective leadership. Visiting Frankfort, KY and Washington, D.C. as a culminating event is an excellent way to connect the students' learning about law, government, and history with their local context. These trips and tours can provide them with firsthand experience of the state's and nation's political landscape and historical significance, making their studies much more tangible.

In addition to adding a group tour to the National Postal Museum and the Arlington Cemetery while in Washington D.C. this year, we are excited to announce we've added a Non-Profit Organization Day to our schedule this school year. Historically, the program concluded with the Washington D.C. experience, which served as a culminating event that enriched the students' understanding of civic engagement and national governance. Expanding the leadership schedule in April to include a nonprofit day is a great way to highlight the importance of civic engagement and community service. This experience will not only educate students about the valuable contributions of these organizations in Franklin-Simpson but also inspire them to get involved and make a difference in their community.

The Tomorrow's Leaders program provides students with experiences that extend beyond their everyday lives in Franklin, Kentucky. Many participants have never had the opportunity to visit an airport, fly on an airplane, navigate a subway or metro system, attend a professional sporting event, or tour museums. This program fosters personal and professional development in ways that traditional classroom experiences cannot achieve. None of this would be possible without the financial support of community organizations, such as the Franklin Simpson Excellence Foundation. Your generosity plays a crucial role in making these enriching experiences accessible to our students.

B. Evaluation:

Students will engage in pre- and post-surveys regarding their college or career pathways to assess any shifts in their interests or considerations for alternative pathways influenced by their experiences over the past nine months. Additionally, we plan to track these students through graduation and for at least two years beyond that. This year, students have already expressed how their perspectives have changed or evolved based on their experiences. For instance, one senior who initially did not intend to attend Western Kentucky University or pursue a degree in Agriculture has now enrolled in WKU and is majoring in agriculture after completing the Tomorrow's Leaders program.

C. Budget:

Item	Budget	Actual	Balance Remaining	Comments
2024-2025				
Transportation				
August (Kick Off WKU)	280.00	\$279.35	\$0.65	
September (Agriculture)	280.00	\$272.38	\$7.62	
October (Arts & Humanities)	280.00	\$237.34	\$42.66	
November (Health Services)	280.00	\$257.83	\$22.17	
December (Law & Government)	280.00		\$280.00	
January (Business & Industry)	280.00		\$280.00	
February (Frankfort)	1,000.00		\$1,000.00	
D.C. Trip Student Cost	16,000.00		\$16,000.00	
March (FS to BNA one way)	300.00		\$300.00	
March (Education)	280.00		\$280.00	
April (Non-Profit)	280.00		\$280.00	
		\$1,046.9		
Transportation Total	19,540.00	0	\$18,493.10	
Meals- Sessions 9x				
August	216.00	\$0.00	\$216.00	\$12/pp X 18
September	216.00	\$0.00	\$216.00	Cattlemans
October	216.00	\$0.00	\$216.00	\$12/pp X 18
November	216.00	\$0.00	\$216.00	\$12/pp X 18
December	250.00	\$250.74	(\$0.74)	Zaxby's \$12/pp x 21
January	216.00	\$0.00	\$216.00	Chamber/Industrial
February (All the way shoppe)	300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$15/pp x 20
March	216.00	\$0.00	\$216.00	\$12/pp X 18
April	300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$15/pp x 20
Meals Total	2,146.00	\$250.74	\$1,895.26	

Snacks/Drinks	300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	
Shirts	240.00	\$0.00	\$240.00	\$12/ppx20
WKU Expenses				
Administration Fee	250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	
Total Expenses	22,476.00	1,297.64	\$21,178.36	
Donations	Requesting	Received		
	10,000.00			
	1,500.00	1,500.00		
	1,000.00			
	1,000.00			
	1,000.00			
	1,000.00			
	200.00			
	5,600.00	5,600.00		
Students	4,800.00	3,050.00		
		10,150.0		
TOTAL	26,100.00	0		

D. APPLICATION SUMMARY—The mission of the Franklin Simpson Educational Excellence Foundation, Inc. is “to supplement existing educational opportunities through funding to educators and community organizations in order to facilitate effective learning.” Applicants should clearly discuss how the proposed project meets not only their school/organization’s mission statement, but also how it meets FSEEF’s mission.

Tomorrow’s Leaders leadership program for high school students is designed to supplement existing educational opportunities in several impactful ways:

1. **Skill Development:** The program focuses on essential soft skills such as communication, teamwork, critical thinking, and problem-solving. These skills complement academic learning by preparing students for real-world challenges.
2. **Practical Experiences:** By engaging in hands-on activities and experiences, students can apply theoretical knowledge in practical scenarios. This experiential learning enhances retention and understanding of concepts taught in the traditional classroom. The visit to the National Holocaust Museum significantly impacted students’ understanding of World War II and the Holocaust, enriching their educational experience in several ways. Overall, the experience of visiting the museum serves as a powerful supplement to their studies, transforming abstract historical concepts into tangible lessons about humanity, empathy, and resilience in the face of adversity.

3. **Networking Opportunities:** The program often includes interactions with industry leaders, alumni, and peers. This network can provide mentorship, guidance, and future career opportunities, enriching students' educational experiences.
4. **Leadership Training:** Focused on developing leadership qualities, the program fosters self-awareness, emotional intelligence, and decision-making abilities. These traits are crucial for personal and professional success.
5. **Diverse Perspectives:** The program typically brings together students from various backgrounds, encouraging collaboration and the exchange of ideas. This diversity enriches the learning environment and broadens students' view of people different from them.

By integrating these elements and others, the leadership program not only supplements academic education but also nurtures well-rounded individuals equipped for future challenges.

Tomorrow's Leaders

24-25 Program Schedule

Aug. 23rd, 2024 (WKU) Kick Off Leadership

- 8:15 am: Leave FSHS
- 8:45 am: Arrive at WKU
- 9:15 am -10:45 am: Admission Tour
- 11:00 am - 11:45 am: Lunch@ Fresh Foods
- 12:00 pm - 1:50 pm Self-leadership, healthy relationships, setting goals.
- 2:15 pm: Leave WKU
- 2:45 pm Arrive at FSHS

Sept. 20, 2024 (WKU & BG) Agriculture Day

- 8:15 am: Leave FSHS
- 8:45 am: Arrive at WKU Farm
- 9:00 am - 11:15 am WKU Farm Tour (Snack and Water)
- 11:15 am -11:45 am Career Talk
- 12:30 pm- 12:50 pm: Lunch at Robertson's Farm/ Cattlemen's for Lunch JP Robertson Farms 2950 Middleton Rd, Auburn, KY
- 1:00 pm -2:15 pm: Farm Tour
- 2:20 pm Leave for FSHS
- 2:40 pm Arrive at FSHS

Oct. 18th, 2024 (WKU & FS) Arts & Humanities Day

- 8:15 am: Leave FSHS
- 9:00 am - 10:00 am Arrive at Bowling Green Public Theater
- 10:15 am - 11:15 am: WNKY TV Station
- 11:30 am: Arrive at WKU
- 11:30 am - 12:30 pm: Lunch@ Fresh Foods/ Career Talk
- 12:45 am Leave WKU Pick up at WKU DSU Stop

Nov. 22nd, 2024 (WKU & FS) Health Services Day

- 8:15 am: Leave FSHS
- 8:30 am - 9:45 am Tour Med Center of Franklin (Have spoken to Annette Runyan)
- 10:00am Travel to WKU Maine Campus DSU, Walk to AC Complex tour
- 10:30 am - 11:15 am Tour of Dental Hygiene and CPR Room
- 11:15 am - 12:30 pm: Lunch/ Career Talk at DSU
- 12:30 pm leave WKU to Travel to UK School of Medicine at the Medical Center
- 12:45 am - 1:50 pm UK Doctorate Program for tour and career talk
- 2:00 pm: Leave UK School of Medicine at the Medical Center

- 2:30 pm Arrive at FSHS

Dec. 3rd, 2024 (FS) (Tuesday) Law & Government Day (All Presenters confirmed)

- 8:05 Leave FSHS
- 8:15-9 City of Police Chief Solomon
- 9:10-9:40 City Hall- Mayor Dixon
- 9:50-10:20 Co Judge Building- Co Judge Mason Barnes
- 1030-11 Simpson County Sheriff's Department- Sheriff Hopson
- 11:10-11:30 Simpson County Jail- Jailer Vaughn
- 11:45-12:15 Lunch @ Justice Center w/Beth (WKU professors will speak during lunch)
- 12:20-12:40 Tour Justice Center w/Beth
- 12:45-1:30 Judge Harrison/ Lawyer Chris Tomlinson
- 1:30-2:15 Observe Judge Harrison in Court
- 2:30 Return to FSHS

Jan. 10, 2025 WKU Education Day (Changed to Full Day)

8:15 am: Leave FSHS Snow Day- Moved to March 28, 2025

- 8:35 am - 8:45 am Arrive at WKU
- 8:45 am - 9:45 am Tour of Gary Ransdell Hall
- 9:45 am - 10:00 am Break
- 10:00 am - 11:00 am Presentation by Chris Stunson
- 11:00 am - 11:30 am Teaching Demo (Speaker TBD)
- 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Lunch Career Talk with WKU Arts / Theatre Department
- 12:45 am - 1:50 pm Tour WKU Arts Department / Theatre Department
- 2:00 pm Leave WKU, Pick up at Cherry Hall
- 2:30 pm Arrive at FSHS

Jan. 31, 2025 Business & Industry (FS) (emailed Steve 11/15/2024) Waiting to confirm itinerary.

- 8:15 am: Leave FSHS
- 8:30 am Arrive Mustard Seed
- 9:35 am Depart Mustard Seed
- 9:50 am Arrive Sumitomo Electric Wiring
- 11:00 am Depart Sumitomo Electric Wiring
- 11:15 am Arrive SKYCTC Franklin Campus
 - 11:15-11:30 Prepare Lunch
 - 11:30-12:00 Presentation Kelcie Richart SKYCTC
 - 12:00-1:00 Presentation Faculty of WKU
- 1:10 pm Arrive NHK/New Mather Metals
- 2:25 pm Depart NHK/New Mather Metals
- 2:40 pm Arrive FSHS

Feb. 14, 2025 (Frankfort, KY) Capitol Tour, State Police Forensics Lab, Kentucky Historical Society Museums and Old Capitol Education Tour. Waiting to confirm.

All times are Eastern once we arrive in Frankfort for the Capitol Tour. Trip Request Submitted.

- 5:00am CST Depart Franklin Simpson High School (2.5 hours travel time, Jump an hour ahead once in Frankfort) Trip Requested Submitted Nov. 2024)
- 8:30am EST. Arrive at the Capitol (unload/restroom break/snacks)
- 9am Capitol Group Photo (scheduled 1/7/2025 w/Stephanie Newburg 502-564-8100)
- 9am-10am Capitol Tour (Scheduled 1/7/2025 w/Scott 502-564-3449)

- 10am-11am Gallery Observation and Meet Legislators
- 11am-11:20am travel to Forensics Center (100 Sower Blvd. Suite 102, Contact Jennifer Hatfield 502-892-3886)
- 11:30am-12:15pm Guided Tour of the Forensics Center
- 12:15pm-12:30pm travel to History Center enter via Anne St. Entrance (Waiting to confirm 1/7/2025 w/KY Historical Society, Kirsten)
- 12:30pm-1:15pm Lunch and Restrooms (History Center, Alcove- All the Way Shoppe will deliver boxed lunches 502-321-5465)
- 1:30pm Guided Tour of Old State Capitol (Old State Capitol, 300 W. Broadway)
- 2:30pm Gallery Exploration/Gift Shop (History Center A KY Journey & Hall of Governors)
- 3:30pm Departure (2.5 hours estimated to travel, gaining an hour)
- 5pm CST. estimated arrival home

February 25 - March 1, 2025 (Washington D.C.)

- We will travel to Washington D.C. to tour the Capitol, White House, Smithsonian and National Museums, Meet and Greet with Kentucky Legislatures, WKU and Franklin Simpson Alumni. **Robin submitted DC Tours request form on 1/7/2025**

April 25, 2025, Non-Profit Organization Day (FS) Waiting to confirm

- Simpson County Historical Society/ Old Jail
- Rotary
- Franklin Simpson Arts Council
- Franklin Simpson Renaissance
- Simpson County Literacy
- Business Professional Women of Franklin, KY
- Lunch at the Legion Speaker Special Lunch
- AM VETS
- Franklin-Simpson Tourism
- LifeChoice Pregnancy Center
- Franklin Lions Club
- Franklin Kiwanis Club
- Simpson County Habitat for Humanity
- People Serving People
- Room in the Inn Franklin, KY
- Live the Proof
- Simpson County Cooperative Extension Service
- Goodnight Library
- Franklin Simpson Educational Excellence Foundation

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO CREATE YOUR GRANT APPLICATION.

Writing Guidelines

- 1) *Application is complete and follows format outlined below, two to four pages in length, postmarked by deadline, includes **12** copies (one for each director & staff) or digital media and one hard copy including signed cover sheet.*
- 2) *Demonstrates innovative and/or program/curriculum or identifiable need.*
- 3) *Clearly defines learning goals and offers a meaningful way to measure success.*
- 4) *Clearly defines an area of need for students, school, or community.*
- 5) *Simpson County Schools applicants **MUST** include signatures of principal & board approval before submitting to FSEEF. (See Important Considerations below.)*

A. NARRATIVE: Choose Option I or II depending on organization's status:

I. SIMPSON COUNTY SCHOOLS AND PERSONNEL

Describe Your Request

- 1) Describe the problem(s) or need(s) addressed by this request. Be sure to:
 - a. State your school's mission.
 - b. Clearly describe how this program/project will help your school to carry out its mission
- 2) Describe in detail the specific activities and strategies of this project,
- 3) Incorporate a **timeline** for implementation.
- 4) Describe in detail the expected outcome/goals of your project and how these outcomes will be measured.

OR

II. COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Organizational History and Structure

- 1) Briefly describe your organization's purpose, mission, and goals.
- 2) Is your organization tax-exempt?
- 3) Detail your sources of total program funding/ financial support.
- 4) Provide a list of board members and staff as an attachment.

Describe Your Request

- 1) Describe the problem(s) or need(s) addressed by this request.
- 2) Describe the specific activities and strategies of this project.
- 3) Incorporate a **timeline** for implementation.
- 4) Describe the expected outcome/goals of your project. Explain how the outcomes will help meet your organization's mission.

B. EVALUATION

- 1) Please describe the evaluation method you will use to measure the success of your project. What questions will be answered?

C. BUDGET—Must be reasonable for scope of project and number of learners affected.

- 1) Provide a **detailed** budget of how you plan to use the requested funding to ensure the success of your proposed project. Applicants may attach estimates, quotes or data collected online to support budget projections. Attachments DO NOT replace a constructed project budget.

Leadership Tomorrow Proposed Scheduled and DC Budget 24-25

This budget does not include the cost for the 4 chaperones. (2 adults from Simpson Co. School District and 2 adults from WKU.)

Arrived Tuesday (2/25/2025)						16	Students
Departing Flights - BNA to DC	12:25 PM	\$ 236.60	Round Trip	\$	3,785.60		
Returning Flights DC to BNA				\$	-		
Hotel Pricing (4 Nights)		\$ 195.36		\$	6,251.56		8 Rooms
4 Day Unlimited Pass (Rail Pass)		\$ 33.00		\$	528.00		
Transportation from Airport / Hotel		\$ 364.00		\$	364.00		
Franklin to Nashville		\$300		\$	300.00		
Day One (Wednesday 2/26/25)		\$ -					
Breakfast @ Hotel	7:30 AM						
Leave Hotel	8:00 AM	\$ -					
Arlington Cemetery Tour	9:00 AM	\$ 50.00		\$	800.00		
National Postal Museum	10:30 AM						
Lunch	12:30 PM						
Smithsonian Museums	2:00 PM						
Basketball Game / Game Starts @ 6 PM	6:00 PM	\$ 50.00	Includes meal ticket	\$	800.00		
Day Two (Thursday 2/27/2025)							
Breakfast @ Hotel	7:30 AM						
Leave Hotel	8:00 AM						
Smithsonian Zoological Park	8:30 AM		Private Guided Tour at the Zoo WKU Contact				
Lunch on Your Own	12:00 PM	\$ -					
Smithsonian Museums	2:15 PM	\$ -					
UNO Pizzeria	6:00 PM	\$ 23.00		\$	368.00		
Day Three (Friday 2/28/2025)							
Breakfast @ Hotel	7:30 AM	\$ -					
Leave Hotel	8:00 AM						
Tour Capitol & James Comer	9:00 AM						
White House Tour	10:30 AM						
Lunch on your own	12:00 PM						
Library of Congress	12:30 PM						
Senator Mitch McConnell	2:00 PM						
Dinner On Your Own	5:00 PM						
Monument AT Night Tour	7:30 PM	\$ 64.00		\$	1,024.00		
Day 4 (Saturday 3/1)							
Breakfast On your Own	8:00 AM						
Depart for Hotel Airport	9:00 PM		Flight 12:55PM Arrive Nashville 2:00PM				
Transport from Hotel to Airport		\$ 364.00		\$	364.00		
Nashville to Simpson County			Parents Pick Up at Nashville Airport	\$	-		
Planning Fees By WKU		\$ 300.00		\$	300.00		
		\$ 1,979.96		\$	14,885.16	\$ 930.32	
Projected Hours to Plan		15					Cost Per Student

