

# Innovation in Education Grant



## 2010 Innovation in Education Grants Application

***Please read the instructions carefully. Handwritten applications will be disqualified. Application deadline is September 24, 2010.***

***Purpose of Grant:*** To fund projects that promote critical thinking and hands on learning. Approach curriculum from an imaginative angle, or tie nontraditional concepts together for the purpose of illustrating commonalities. To support innovative projects that enhance the interest level of education and are easily shared and replicated.

***Eligibility:*** K-12 certified teachers employed and teaching subjects for a Greene County Public School District.

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<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
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<b>School Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Fax</b>
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<b>Grade Level(s)</b>	<b>Subject(s)</b>	_____

***Grant Amount:*** \$1,000. The Greene County ESC will be awarding one grant for a project in which all funds will be expended during the 2010 -11 school year.

**Grant funds are obtained solely through Greene County ESC employee contributions and Innovation in Education Grant and Student Scholarship fund-raising activities.**

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**No. of Students Involved**

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**Grade Level**

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**Subject**

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**Name of Project**

The project should be your original creation (or your teaching team's). The Innovation Grant WILL FUND: the purchase of supplies or materials that students need to do such things as create a product, conduct an experiment, grow or tend living things, or learn a new skill; and written materials or software to be used in the activities of the project.

**The Innovation Grant DOES NOT FUND:** pre-packaged lesson plans; classroom or library book collections; field trips, if they are the sole activity of the project; substantial equipment, such as office machines, computers, camcorders; admission fees; bus rental/driver fees; speaker stipends or compensation to a teacher, aide, or substitute teacher.

The project should engage students in hands-on activities that lead to new knowledge, awareness, or self-discovery. We are looking for projects which can easily be replicated and motivate other educators to implement with their students.

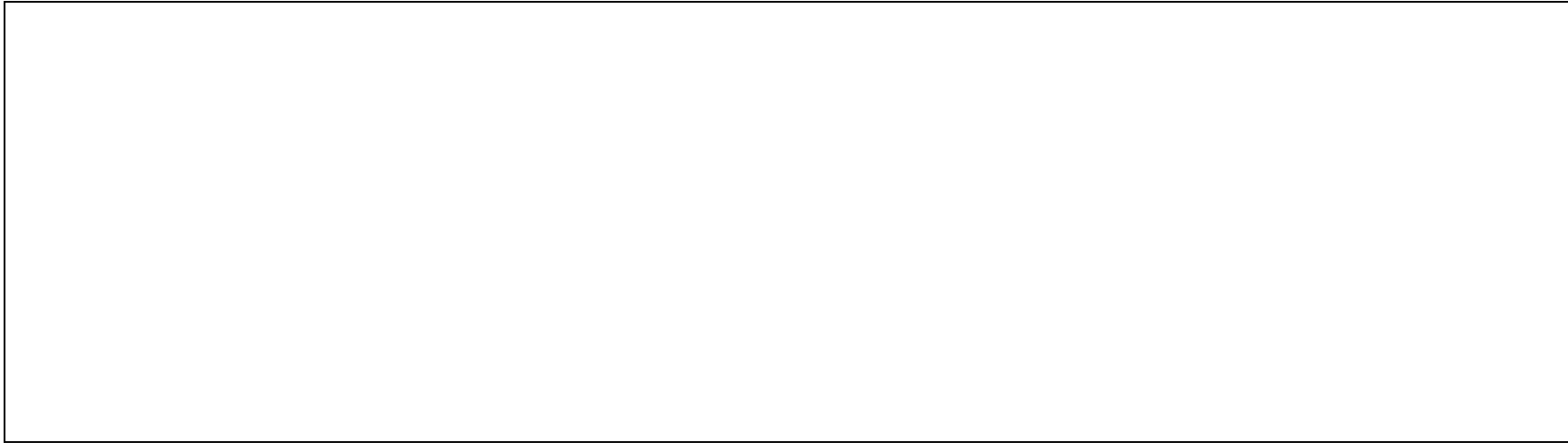
Greene County ESC will share your project with educators throughout Greene County. Therefore, the feasibility of replicating your project is important and accounts for 20% of the evaluation. The concepts addressed in your project should be curriculum based, and the materials necessary to conduct the project should be widely available.

State in general terms the curriculum or state standards by which the project activities are driven and how they are relevant. Do not include full descriptions of state standards.

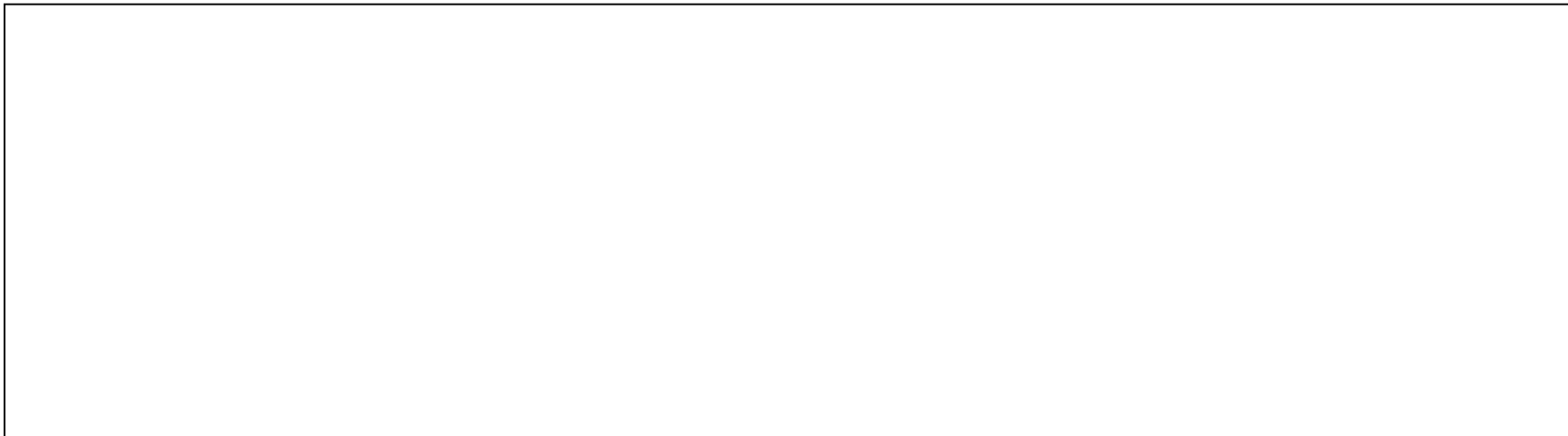
***Project Objectives.*** List at least two specific skills, behaviors, or new knowledge students gain from this project. The clarity of your written objectives accounts for 20% of the evaluation. Begin each objective with “The student will...”

***Describe the activities of the project.*** Do not restate the objectives. Describe sequentially what the students will do. **PROVIDE DETAIL.** Judges are looking for a clear picture of the activities in which the students will be engaged. Your description communicating the quality of your project, the anticipated interest level and justification of its funding account for 40% of the evaluation.

**Evaluation Instrument.** What method of evaluation will you use to determine if the objectives have been realized by your students? For instance, will the students be surveyed, tested, observed, or asked to write an essay? The appropriateness of your method accounts for 10% of the evaluation.



**Budget.** Please identify the costs of the project by itemizing what you will buy and/or do with the funds. Again, provide enough detail for judges to determine if the items are necessary and the costs appropriate. Cost effectiveness accounts for 10% of the evaluation. Do not include catalogue descriptions or pictures of the items you are purchasing.



**Submission Deadline:** 3:45 p.m., September 24,2010

**Grant Award Notification:** You will learn whether or not your project has been funded by October 5,2010. Please do not call the Greene County ESC to check on the status of your grant. The applicant selected will be notified personally on October 5,2010 and an announcement will be posted on the Greene County ESC website at [www.GreeneESC.org](http://www.GreeneESC.org).

**Agreement:** By submitting this application you agree that if you are awarded a grant based on this application, you irrevocably transfer and assign to the Greene County ESC, its successors and assignees, all rights, title, and interest (whether known or unknown) including any copyrights and renewals or extensions thereto related to any and all materials submitted in connection with this application, including, but not limited to, lesson plans, processes, writing, designs or other materials. Your lesson plan will be made available on our website for other teachers to utilize. Once awarded, you will seek prior approval in writing if you wish to change the project from the original description. You will keep accurate records of dates, expenditures, and activities related to the project so you can complete an End Report. The End Report will be sent to grant recipients in March 2010 or upon completion of project and should be returned by June 1, 2010.

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**Applicant's Name**

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**Date**

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**School Principal's Name**

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**Date**

**Questions? Email (preferred) to [tsmith@GreeneESC.org](mailto:tsmith@GreeneESC.org) or phone us at 937-767-1303 ext. 112.**

**Describe how your building/district is supporting your project. Describe support of either staff, supplementary funding, materials, supplies, in-kind resources, etc... (Please itemize if appropriate).**

**Scoring of this application will follow these guidelines; quality of activities =30%; replication=20%; clarity of objectives=20%; cost effectiveness=10%, evaluation=10%, priority of committee 10%.**