

# Intradistrict Communication

DATE: October 1, 2020  
TO: All Principals and Administrators  
FROM: Mike Anderson, Associate Superintendent  
SUBJECT: Educator Grants 2020-21

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The Board of Education has approved \$4 million for the Educator Grant program. This money was allocated to reward educators for their time and efforts during the pandemic last spring and for creative ways of improving instruction and providing additional opportunities for students this school year.

The brief application window is Wednesday, September 30 through Wednesday, October 14, 2020.

Here is the website to apply: <https://educatorgrants.jordandistrict.org/>

**All applications must be submitted by 11:59 pm on October 14, 2020.**

Applicants will be notified by the end of November regarding the status of their grant submission.

There are two different grants this year for which all licensed educators can apply:

- 1) **Pandemic work** done in the Spring of 2020 during the onset of the pandemic.
  - Only one application of this type will be allowed.
  - This will be a simple individual grant application for work done between March-June 2020.
  - Online teachers who already received a stipend for pandemic work may not apply for this grant.
  - Pandemic work will need to be verified by the employee's supervisor (Principal or Administrator).
  - Each applicant who receives money for the pandemic grant will be paid the same amount. This amount will be based on the number of grant requests received and the amount available.
- 2) **Innovative work** grants compensate teachers for time and effort as they seek creative ways of improving instruction and providing additional opportunities for students.
  - This application is for work completed between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021.
  - Elementary online educators can submit projects not associated with current daily online instruction.
  - Innovative grants are focused on paying teachers for their time spent on projects that:

- 1) Benefit student learning and academic success
  - 2) Involve designing or re-designing curriculum
  - 3) Support school climate and student emotional health
- Please refer to the district grant webpage for this year's complete guidelines:  
<https://educatorgrants.jordandistrict.org/>

Educators may apply for up to **\$3000** total for an individual or **\$12,000** for a group, including pandemic work.

Principals will need to verify the Pandemic Work completed in the Spring of 2020, so we want you to be aware of this process:

- 1) The individual applies for a Pandemic Work grant.
- 2) They must request Principal Confirmation of work completed.
- 3) This form in the grant application will automatically send you an email to verify their work. You will be able to click on a link to a description of the work and then click to confirm that the work was completed within the Pandemic work period.  
**The deadline for Principal Confirmation is October 20, 2020.** We ask that you complete these quickly, as applicants will not receive a pandemic award if there is no verification by this date.
- 4) If you are not the Principal that was working with this individual during the Spring of 2020, please forward this Principal Confirmation email to the correct Principal.

If you have any questions about the grant process, please contact Lisa LeStarge at 801-567-8164 or email [educatorgrants@jordandistrict.org](mailto:educatorgrants@jordandistrict.org).