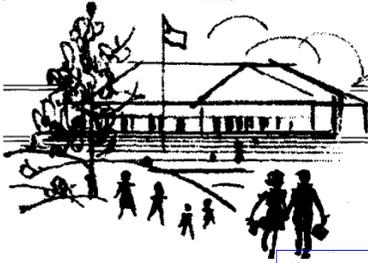


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Graham County School Superintendent

Donna M. McGaughey

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www.graham.az.gov

Superintendent's Message

Happy 4th of July! In our family, we typically celebrate Independence Day by participating in the parade down Main Street in Safford. Lately this has been followed by the "Just Ducky" fundraiser hosted by the Woman's Club of Safford. The kids love watching the ducks float down the canal toward the "finish line." The proceeds from this event go to Graham County students for scholarships. McMurray Communications will be hosting the annual Battle of the Bands and Nickel Picnic on July 4th. Head out to the Graham County Fairgrounds to listen to music and support the Safford Rotary Club as they man the hotdog and beverage booth. Proceeds from this club's endeavors also go to students in Graham County.

A big thanks goes out to the volunteers who organized the parade, the duck race, all of the other patriotic events. We appreciate all the volunteers, especially the Safford Fire Department, for providing the fireworks and for keeping our community safe.

In addition to the celebrations and fireworks, we should all remember the wrenching events that led up to the drafting of the "Declaration of Independence." To view America's historical documents, visit www.archives.gov. You will find images of our most treasured documents as well as some of the more whimsical, such as Elvis Presley's letter to President Nixon.

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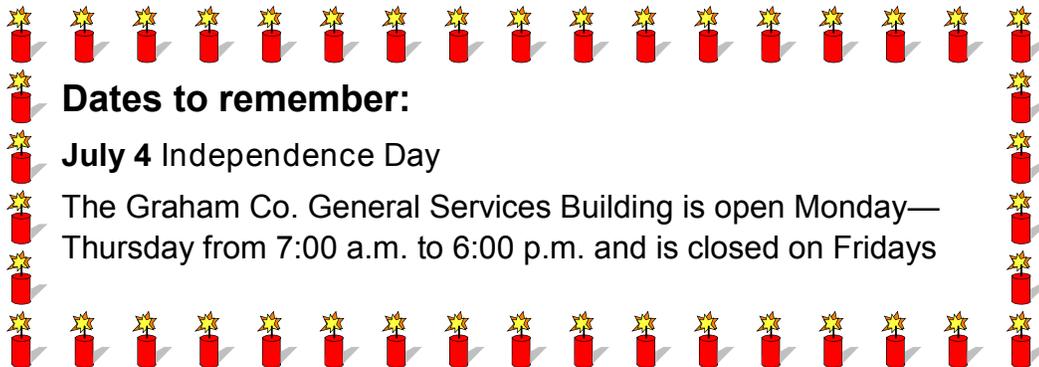
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www.graham.az.gov

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School Superintendent,
Workshops

The Graham County School Office is a member of the East Central Regional Service Center—ECRSC—which includes Gila, Greenlee and Pinal counties.

Our Goal: Provide regionally based service, support and technical assistance, in collaboration with the Arizona Dept. of Ed. and the Governor's Office of Education Innovation.



Dates to remember:

July 4 Independence Day

The Graham Co. General Services Building is open Monday—Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and is closed on Fridays

Farewell to Dr. Mark Tregaskes

An era is coming to a close in the Safford Unified School District. Dr. Mark Tregaskes, superintendent since 1992, is retiring effective June 30th. Dr. Tregaskes gave 41 years of service to education including several years in Utah and in Mesa. He was named principal of Lafe Nelson School in 1983. He transitioned to assistant superintendent and spent three years working with John Sinclair. He became superintendent and held that position for the past 22 years. That in itself is remarkable because school administrators usually have a much shorter tenure.

Many, many good things were accomplished during these years including the construction of new schools such as Mt. Graham High School and Ruth Powell School. He also brought to fruition the David M. Player Center for the Arts. At a farewell reception held in the CFA, he was honored with the naming of the Mark. R. Tregaskes Recital Hall. From the thousands of students and teachers who learned under his tutelage, we wish you well in this new chapter of your life.

I want to personally acknowledge what Dr. Tregaskes has done for me. I grew up in Safford and attended Lafe Nelson School as a child. In 1988, my father was retiring as an SUSD teacher and let me know that a 3rd grade job was available. I had been out of college for six years and was happily living and working in Tucson. I knew it was time to “come home” and start the career I had planned on since I was a student in that school. I applied for the open position at LNS and was invited to interview. When I look back, I am astounded that I was even given an interview considering my lack of educational experience. I had never taught other than my student teaching. No substituting, no classroom assistant experience, nothing. Dr. Tregaskes and his team hired me anyway.

I spent the next 16 1/2 years in the Safford Unified School District. Several of us were recruited to become district level trainers for new teacher inductions and other educational initiatives. I became part of a team of educators who learned administrative skills in the Safford Administrator Training Program. All of these professional activities were instigated and facilitated by Dr. Tregaskes.

When my predecessor, Phyllis Ann Bryce passed away unexpectedly, I was encouraged to seek her vacant seat. I was appointed to the office, and the day I was released from my contract, Dr. Tregaskes invited me to attend a Safford Rotary meeting with him. I have been a member of that club ever since, marking 10 1/2 years. One of my responsibilities, which brings much joy to me, is chairing the Teacher of Distinction program. All of the good I am able to do within this organization is because of his invitation.

I am extremely grateful to Dr. Tregaskes for giving me my first chance as a teacher. All of my professional successes lead right back to that instance. Thank you and I wish you and your family the very best.

Donna McGaughey

Graham County School Superintendent





- ⇒ Increase employment opportunities
- ⇒ Decrease college or technical training costs.

Gila Institute for Technology
GIFT now registering for 2015-2016

Central Programs Offered

Allied Health - Certified Nursing Assistant - Lab Assistant
Sports Medicine and Rehab Therapies - Cosmetology - Drafting

Individual Programs

Advanced Manufacturing— Autos—Early Childhood Education
EMT—Engineering—Graphic Design—HVAC—
Industrial Electrician— Law Enforcement—
Media Communications— Computers— Medical Assistant—
Office Assistant—Patient Care Technician—
Pharmacy Technician—Web Design—Welding

Check out our website and apply at www.gift-tech.org
Or call 928-348-3393

Who is Eligible?

- ◇ High School students in Graham and Greenlee Counties
 - ◇ Anyone under the age of 21
 - ◇ Must meet the program entrance requirements
- ◇ High school graduates, give us a call to see if you qualify



5 THINGS FROM FIRST THINGS FIRST



Sam Leyvas, CEO

1. **Sam I Am:** *Teaching kids empathy early in life helps prevent bullying*

Did you know that aggression among peers is seen in children as young as 12 months? Research shows critical skills such as motivation, self-discipline, focus, self-esteem and empathy begin to take root from birth to 5 years old. Positive experiences during the early years help kids develop skills that enable them to build healthy friendships and reduce aggressive behaviors such as bullying. Read more to help kids develop empathy: <http://www.azff.gov/newsletters/from-the-ceo/Pages/2015-June.aspx>

2. **Why Early Childhood Matters to.....MAYORS**

“Early childhood development is a critical component of the long-term academic and social success of children, adolescents, and young adults. By ensuring that quality community resources are available to children and their families, we prepare them with the tools necessary to succeed. The City of Goodyear is proud of our status as a Read On Community and values the efforts of our community’s education providers to empower and prepare the West Valley’s children in the years leading up to, and beyond, kindergarten.”

3. **FTF Early Childhood Summit 2015** Register now at a discounted rate.

The First Things First Early Childhood Summit is set for August 24-25 at the Phoenix Convention Center. Here are 5 reasons why you should register today:

- 1) The lineup of keynote and featured speakers is fantastic.
- 2) We are offering more breakout sessions than ever (85+), and they’re organized by topic areas.
- 3) The Tribal Gathering offers an enlightening look at cultural competency.
- 4) The Read On Arizona Literacy Summit is a can’t miss meeting of those working to support early literacy in communities across our state.
- 5) You’re in time to get the early registration discount. <https://summit.azff.gov/conference/registration>

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First Things First “Five Things” continued

4. **Around Arizona** *Dads play an important role in the social-emotional development of children*

Samara hesitated at first, but with her dad’s encouragement, the toddler soon began clapping her hands and swaying to the music. She was among dozens of other youngsters whose fathers cheered them on to the dance floor during a Dad & Me evening at Ocotillo Learning Center in Tucson. Dads and kids spent an hour playing, dancing and singing together. But what the little ones didn’t know is that spending time with their fathers, as they did on this occasion, is considered a key factor in the social-emotional development of children. Research shows that quality father-child time increases self-esteem, confidence, social competence and life skills in a child’s early years.

“When dads are involved with their children, kids have better peer relationships, and they stay in school and graduate,” said Joan Katz, Parents as Teachers coordinator. First Things First partially funds the Parents as Teachers program, which runs Dad & Me.

Read more about Samara and her dad, as well as stories of other Arizona families:
<http://www.azfff.gov/why/success/pages/default.aspx?show=24>

5. **Arizona’s Summer Reading Program** *Summer literacy activities can include even the youngest learners.*

Young children need to hear language—lots of different words—in order to develop the language skills they’ll need to be good readers. And daily reading is a proven way to expose young children to a wide variety of words.

So visit your local public library and join Arizona’s Summer Reading Program. Read with your infant, toddler or preschooler 20 minutes every day. It doesn’t have to be all at once!

LEARN MORE:

- ▶ [Arizona's Summer Reading Program flyer](#)
- ▶ [Favorite books + tips for reading with infants, toddlers and preschoolers](#) from FTF
- ▶ [Summer Reading Resources](#) from Read On Arizona
- ▶ [Books for preschoolers](#) from Phoenix Public Library
- ▶ [Summer reading video](#) from author Kate DiCamillo

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Summer learning
can help close the
Achievement Gap.



Studies indicate that the effects of summer learning programs endure for at least two years after participation. (RAND Corporation, 2011)

Free Distance Learning Programs Available from the Phoenix Zoo

Thanks to generous funding from APS Foundation we are able to offer free distance learning programs that broadcast into your classroom. **Phoenix Zoo Distance Learning** broadcasts include live animals, engaging and inquiry-based activities that are designed to complement classroom Academic Standards. The only technology you need to receive a program from us is internet access, a projector and computer, and speakers for sound. We also do have limited funds to help with renting technology, as needed. For more information visit on our programs visit <http://phoenixzoo.org/camps-programs/outreach/>. For questions regarding the scholarships or to book a program call our Reservations Department at 602.914.4333.

Free E-Rate Consultant Services

Milan Eaton is the new "State E-Rate Coordinator for Schools" in Arizona. His goal is for every school in the state to receive a fair share of E-Rate funds through the USAC (Universal Services Administration Company). During the month of January, he plans to visit every county in the state to offer assistance with the Schools/Districts in the area. The Federal Communications Commission has recently updated its E-rate program to focus on expanding Wi-Fi networks in schools, especially small, rural schools. Mr. Eaton invites all schools and districts to visit the State E-Rate Website and join the E-Rate mailing list. His website address is: <http://www.azed.gov/erate/2014/09/10/join-our-e-rate-email-list/>

Mr. Eaton can also be reached at: Arizona Department of Education Information Technology
602-542-3595 milan.eaton@azed.gov

Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum Teacher Appreciation Night August 22, 2015

You are invited to a night dedicated to educators. Desert Museum staff and other community education programs will showcase 2015-16 offerings. Registered teachers will receive free admission and 10% off in the Gift Shops. In addition to these programs, you can also enjoy the Museum's Cool Summer Night activities.

Registration for this event is required.

<http://www.desertmuseum.org/visit/teacherapp.php>



Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum | 2021 N. Kinney Rd. | Tucson | AZ | 85743

SAFFORD CITY
GRAHAM COUNTY
LIBRARY



808 S. Seventh Ave.
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(928) 432-4165

The Safford City / Graham County Library offers services beyond checking out books. The Graham County School Superintendent has partnered with the library to offer homework help for students from kindergarten through college. **It's free to Graham County students.** Visit the library's homepage at www.cityofsafford.us and click on the *Homework Help* icon. This will lead you to the icon for **Tutor.com**. "Check out" this free tool and get help on any subject.

Citizens looking for help with finding a job should take advantage of the services offered by Job Skills Instructor, Kevin Hansen. Mr. Hansen offers help in finding jobs and preparing resumes. Additionally, he will help coach job seekers as they practice their interview skills. This is a great service!

The library has partnered with *First Things First* to enhance literacy skills in our youngest population. In addition to story time, parents can bring their children to the Brain Box sessions and other preschool activities scheduled throughout the year. The library has secured a grant from First Things First to fund the Imagination Library Book Club. Children ages birth through five can be signed up to receive a free, age-appropriate book in the mail each month. These are just a few of the wonderful things families can explore due to the partnerships formed by the library.

Visit the Safford City / Graham County Library in person or online!



The Safford City—Graham County Library has partnered with the Arizona State Library to bring a fabulous FREE database of eBooks to our students!

Visit www.saffordlibrary.org

On the left side of the screen, click on "TumbleBooks / eBooks for Kids

"Check out" the titles, which now include non-fiction!

The books are indexed by reading levels, grade, and lexile.

Take advantage of this valuable opportunity—it's free!

Visit the Gift Shop!

Safford City / Graham County Library

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Safford, AZ 85546 928-432-4165

Hours: Mon.—Thursday 10:00 a.m. —7:00 p.m. Closed Friday—Sunday



Step inside the creative spaces of America's most innovative painters, choreographers, and musicians with a fresh collection of cross-curricular resources from PBS LearningMedia! Get your tour started with the featured resources below and uncover thousands more when you create your free account on pbslearningmedia.org.

New and & Noteworthy

Summer Reading Resources: Middle + High School

Delve into the lives of Harper Lee, Ernest Hemingway, and J.D. Salinger with an incredible collection of digital resources from the expanded *American Masters* collection.

<http://www.pbslearningmedia.org/collection/amast/>

Digital Resources

The Art Assignment

Grades 6-12 | Collection | Visual Arts

Join curator Sarah Green as she interviews today's most inspiring artists and offers insight into their methods and techniques.

Choreographing

 Grades 6-12 | Video + Teaching Tips | Dance

Pull back the curtain for an inside look at an ensemble dance rehearsal led by a seasoned choreographer.

Elements of Art

Grades 6-13+ | Collection | Visual Arts

Discover the seven basic building blocks of art (Line, Shape, Form, Texture, Value, Space and Color) and see how they can help you to more accurately analyze various pieces of media.

Professional Development - Courses begin on July 15th!

Developing Understanding with Dynamic Media and Digital Storytelling

Grades K-12 | Technology | 30 Hours | [Enroll](#)

Enabling Students with Special Needs to Succeed in Math Class

Grades 4-8 | Math | 30 Hours | [Enroll](#)

Improving Reading Comprehension

Grades 4-6 | Reading | 45 Hours | [Enroll](#)

Summer courses begin on 6/17. Explore the [course catalog](#) here.

Noyce Scholars Program (SMILE)



Are you interested in re-careering? Do you like science or math? Want to help others learn?

Do something that will make a difference... get certified as a teacher through Rio Salado College's Noyce Scholars SMILE program.

The Noyce Scholars SMILE (Science and Math Innovative Learning Environments) program is an online 15-month comprehensive secondary teacher certification program in math or science.

Program participants receive:

\$16,500 stipends to cover tuition, fees, and some living expenses *Mentorship throughout the student teaching experience *

Assistance with job placement *SMILE Noyce Scholars Program DUE-1136435

Apply for Your SMILE Today!

Call: 480-517-8580 Email: Karen.Nave@riosalado.edu

www. riosalado.edu/noyce

Applications Being Accepted

Noyce Scholars Program Application Process

STEP 1: Pre-Program Requirements

Possess proof of U.S. citizenship, national or permanent alien (birth certificate, passport, naturalization papers). Pass fingerprinting and/or background check. Posses a bachelor's degree in Science, Engineering or Math. Hold a minimum of 3 years' experience in a non-education STEM (science, technology, engineering or math) profession. Commit to teach Math or Science for 2 years in a high-need Arizona school district within 4 years of completing the Rio Salado College program.

STEP 2: Exam, Screening and Seminar

Pass the National Evaluation Series (NES) subject knowledge exam. Show an aptitude for teaching on the Haberman Star Pre-service Screening. Actively participate in the Noyce Scholars Explore Teaching seminar.

STEP 3: Interview

Attend interview screening. Submit acceptance letter (if offered).

STEP 4: Begin Program

- Sign Noyce Scholars Program contract
- Begin 15-month academic program (including student teaching) at Rio Salado College

Grant Opportunities for Teachers from the United Way of Graham County

A new grant opportunity for Graham County teachers is now available! Please follow these steps:

1. Visit www.uwgraham.com
2. Click on “How to Apply”
3. Click on the 2014 Grant Funding Guidelines to read about the United Way’s programs and funding priorities.
4. Click on the UWGC-EducationApplication-2014

Please note that applications will be accepted and reviewed every month except December. Complete and eligible applications received by the 1st of the month will be reviewed and a decision will be made and communicated that same month.

Please submit your complete application packet to uwgraham@gmail.com.

About the United Way

The United Way of Graham County is an all-volunteer organization that provides grant support to nonprofit organizations in southeastern Arizona. We serve Graham and Greenlee counties, providing funding support for causes in Education, Income and Health.

Our mission: to advance the common good by focusing on quality of life, health and education—the building blocks of a good life.

**Have you written your
grant yet?**

Dozens of projects have been funded! For assistance with your grant, please contact Paulette LeBlanc at pleblanc@aznex.net

From Mark Sammons, Coordinator, Outreach, Office of Economic Education,
Department of Economics, Eller College of Management, The University of Arizona

Economics in History Workshop—September 2015

Please plan to attend the
Arizona Social Studies Strands 3 & 5:
Integrating Civics, Government and Economics into
Social Studies Classes

September 17, 2015

Location: Graham County General Services Building

Time: TBA

We will send specific registration information in early August. Mark your calendars and plan on taking advantage of this outstanding workshop!

Resources / support materials

If you are looking for supporting resources, you can peruse a series of 20 very short films on individual economic topics. Each one is by a different director, in a different style, so some are witty, others funny, all inventive.

<https://wetheeconomy.com/films/recession/?autoplay=no>





Grant Funding Alerts

It's never too early to start working on a grant!

Freeport-McMoRan Inc. Grants

Mini-Grants for Education Application Window: May 1st –Oct. 1st

Please visit www.freeportinmycommunity.com

Grants in the range of \$100—\$500 a school is eligible to receive up to four mini-grants per year. Additional grant opportunities are available including the STEM Education grant. Graham County received nearly \$500,000 in the recent round of Community Investment Fund grant awards held in August. Thank you Freeport-McMoRan!

Kinder Morgan Foundation K-12 Education, Environmental Education, Arts, and Youth Development Grants

Deadline: 10th of every month Amount: \$1,000—\$5,000

"The Kinder Morgan Foundation believes that today's youth are tomorrow's leaders, and our mission is to provide them with opportunities to learn and grow. Our goal is to help today's science, math and music students become the engineers, educators and musicians who will support our diverse communities for many years to come."

<http://www.kindermorgan.com/community/>

Sponsor: U.S. General Services Administration

Name: Computers for Learning

Who: Schools and educational nonprofits

Amount: based on need **Cost Share:** None **Deadline:** rolling

Description: Computers for Learning (CFL) program allows schools and educational nonprofits to view and select computer equipment that federal agencies have reported as excess. The CFL program includes making modern computer technology an integral part of every classroom, connecting classrooms to the national infrastructure, providing teachers with the professional development they need to use new technologies effectively, and encouraging the use of innovative educational software.

Link: http://computersforlearning.gov/html/hp_aboutprogram.htm

Arizona Community Foundation Scholarships

The Arizona Community Foundation is now inviting Arizona high school seniors, current students at colleges and vocational-technical schools and graduate-level students to apply for college scholarship funding available for the 2015-2016 academic year. Completing just one application automatically matches students with every scholarship opportunity for which they qualify from among ACF's 80 awards.

<https://azfoundation.academicworks.com/>

Professional Development Opportunities/ Grant Funding Alerts

Strengthening Secondary Education

Deadline: Open

Amount: \$100,000—\$200,000

Sponsor: Arthur Vining Davis Foundation

Type: Education

Grants are made for innovative professional development programs that strengthen teachers and their teaching in grades 9-12.

<http://www.avdf.org/FoundationsPrograms/SecondaryEducation.aspx>

School Grants Today eMagazine

K-12 Grants, Tips and News

www.schoolgrantstoday.com

D-Backs Program Grants

D-Backs program grants are given statewide to non-profit organizations. Funds for these grants are raised throughout the season through team fundraising events, including the annual Evening on the Diamond benefit dinner, Shirts Off Our D-Backs and additional events. All 501(c) 3 non-profit organization in Arizona are welcome to apply for funding, however, funding must be serving the people of Arizona. The deadline is open and the amount of grant funding available for projects is \$1,000—\$5,000. For more info: <http://arizona.diamondbacks.mlb.com/ari/community/grants.jsp>

Daily Point of Light Award

Deadline: Rolling

The power of the individual to spark change and improve the world—that's what the Daily Point of Light Award celebrates. Nominate a local hero for this award. Recognition includes a certificate signed by President George H.W. Bush.

<http://www.pointsoflight.org/programs/recognition>

VEX Robotics

Schools interested in learning more about VEX Robotics and available grants should visit

<http://www.vexrobotics.com> www.roboticseducation.org www.robotevents.com

Grant Funding Alerts *It's never too early to start working on a grant!*

Name: Annenberg Foundation

Who: Areas of arts, culture and humanities, civic and community, environment, education, and human health and wellness

Amount: \$10,000 - \$100,000

Deadline: Rolling

Link: <http://www.annenbergfoundation.org/grantmaking/how-to-apply>

Name: Arthur Vining Davis Foundations **Who:** Projects for improving teaching

Amount: \$100,000-\$200,000

Deadline: Rolling

Description: Projects may cover a wide range of initiatives intended to improve teaching. For example, projects might be designed to improve professional development for in-service and pre-service teachers, strengthen teaching skills, support practical research in teacher and high school education, or encourage innovative use of technology and new techniques for presentation of classroom materials in high schools

Link: www.avdf.org

Name: Ceres Foundation Grants

Who: For benefit of disadvantaged youth and vulnerable families

Amount: Up to \$240,000

Deadline: Rolling

Description: To expand opportunities for disadvantaged youth and vulnerable families to develop and make full use of their potential, so that they will be able to earn decent livings, enjoy healthy relationships, pursue their ambitions, and participate in their communities.

Link: <http://foundationcenter.org/grantmaker/ceres/>

Name: JP Morgan Chase Grants

Who: Open for non-profit organizations

Amount: Varies

Deadline: Rolling

Description: Create Pathways to Opportunity - a holistic approach to ensure that individuals have access to the knowledge, skills, resources, and capital they need to secure their futures and compete in the global economy.

Link: <http://www.jpmorganchase.com/corporate/Corporate-Responsibility/grant-programs.htm>

Grant Funding Alerts *It's never too early to start working on a grant!*

Youth Program Grants

Deadline: Open

Sponsor: The Entertainment Software Association Foundation

Amount: Varies

Type: Social & Economic, Arts & Culture

The ESA Foundation is dedicated to supporting positive programs and opportunities that make a difference in the lives of America's youth.

<http://www.esafoundation.org/application.asp>

KaBOOM! Spruce Project Grants

Deadline: Rolling

Are you itching to serve? Organize your friends, clean up a playground, and you can become eligible for \$750, courtesy of Dr. Pepper Snapple Group. The grant is part of the Let's Play initiative to get kids and families active.

<http://grants.kaboom.org>

Name: Little Kids Rock Music Professional Development & Equipment Program

Who: Public school districts

Amount: Varies **Deadline:** Rolling

Description: Teachers receive training & donation of curricula, instruments and other resources so that they can launch Modern Band music programming for students at their schools. Partners with public school districts in some of the nation's most economically disadvantaged communities with the goal of ensuring that all students (K-12) have access to music education and its many benefits. Teachers apply to be trained to use our innovative and transformational methodology. After their training is complete, teachers receive a donation of curricula, instruments and other resources so that they can launch Modern Band music programming for students at their schools

Link: <http://www.littlekidsrock.org/the-program/how-it-works/>

Name: Toyota USA Foundation: STEM Grants

Who: Schools, organizations to improve STEM education

Amount: \$200,000

Deadline: Rolling

Description: To improve k-12 education by supporting innovative programs in the areas of math, science, and environmental science.

Link: <http://toyota.com/about/philanthropy/guidelines/index.html>

Grant Funding Alerts *It's never too early to start working on a grant!*

Sponsor: Major League Baseball and Major League Baseball Players Association

Name: Baseball Tomorrow Fund

Who: Youth programs

Cost Share: None Shown **Amount:** Typically \$50,000-\$100,000

Deadline: Quarterly

Description: To promote and enhance the growth of youth participation in baseball and softball around the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, uniforms, and equipment. Grants are intended to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. Supports projects that meet the following evaluation criteria: increase the number of youth participating in baseball and softball programs; improve the quality of youth baseball and softball programs.

Link: eb.mlbcommunity.org/index.jsp?content=programs&program=baseball_tomorrow_fund

Youth and Community Development Grants

Sponsor: Office Depot Foundation

Deadline: Monthly **Amount:** \$50-\$3,000

Description: The Foundation provides funding to the following program areas: 1. Giving Children Tools for Success—Supporting activities that give young people tools to succeed in the school and in life through education and inspiration. 2. Building Capacity to Serve Communities—Supporting programs that help non-profit organizations to serve the needs of their communities efficiently and effectively. 3. Disaster Preparedness, Relief, Recovery and Rebuilding....

<http://officedepotfoundation.org>

Name: Actuarial Foundation: Advancing Student Achievement (ASA) Grant

Who: To benefit grades 4-12

Amount: \$5,000 **Deadline:** Open

Description: Supports math enhancement programs that bridge the gap between classroom and real world mathematics for grades 4-12 students in U.S. public and private schools. Programs eligible for support may include, but are not limited to, clubs, competitions, before and after school programs, classroom extension periods, etc. Funded programs must impact 20 to 25 students and meet a minimum of one time per month. **Link:**

http://www.actuarialfoundation.org/programs/teachers/what_asa_grant.shtml