

MiniGrants

Detailed Information

CBTA MiniGrants provide teachers with equipment/materials to help their students do more hands-on science experiments and perform inquiry-based research.

Two MiniGrants will be awarded each academic year for a maximum of \$500 each.

These MiniGrants are available to teachers who have been members of CBTA for at least one year.

The MiniGrant funds must be used to enhance student achievement and classroom instruction.

A teacher may receive only one MiniGrant in a single academic year.

Examples of items the MiniGrants will fund: Balances, colorimeter, egg incubator, equipment for biology field studies, forensic analysis materials, human anatomy and physiology materials, equipment for plant growth/development experiments, micropipettes, microscopes, water quality test kits, or other equipment for student research/inquiry investigations.

Money will be awarded to the recipient's school in the form of a check designated for specific purchase(s) as indicated on the approved application form.

The recipient is required to submit a short article to be printed in the CBTA Newsletter describing and discussing how the equipment/materials were used in their classroom. [See deadlines below.]

The recipient is required to submit a final financial report that includes a copy of the original budget and a copy of the receipt(s) or purchase order(s) for the items ordered. The financial report must include a statement of justification for any deviations from the original budget. The report must be signed by the recipient and principal (or other school financial officer). [See deadlines below.]

If the school and recipient do not use the funds appropriately, then the school and recipient will refund to CBTA the amount of money inappropriately used.

Deadlines

Fall MiniGrant:

- Deadline for submission of application: September 15th
- Deadline for submission of the Financial Report and an article for the CBTA Newsletter: December 15th of that same year

Spring MiniGrant:

- Deadline for submission of application: February 15th
- Deadline for submission of the Financial Report and an article for the CBTA Newsletter: May 15th of that same year

COLORADO BIOLOGY TEACHERS MINIGRANT APPLICATION

(Please type or print)

Date _____

Circle one: Fall MiniGrant Spring MiniGrant

Name of Applicant(s) _____

Courses you teach _____

Name of School _____

Principal's Name _____

Name of District _____

Address of School _____

_____ School Phone _____

School Profile: _____% free/reduced lunch _____% minority _____% attendance rate

Home Address _____

_____ Home/Cell Phone _____

Your Email Address _____

Amount Requested _____ (*not to exceed \$500*)

Please check:

I have read the "Detailed Information" about this grant and agree with the terms indicated

Applicant's Signature _____

Principal's Signature _____

Additional Signature(s) required by your school or school district:

Position: _____

Signature: _____

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Signature: _____

Please attach additional pages with responses to the following:

1. How long have you been a member of CBTA? What CBTA activities have you participated in?
2. Provide a detailed list of the specific items you are requesting funds to purchase. Include cost and supplier.
3. Describe how these items will be used by students for classroom activities and student research. How will these activities benefit your current and future students?
4. How many students will benefit from your proposal? Will other teachers/students have access to the equipment/materials from this grant? Explain.
5. How do you plan to assess the impact of your proposal and evaluate its success?

All applications must be completed and mailed by the appropriate deadline in order to be considered for a MiniGrant. Please do not fax or email your application.

**Mail Completed Application to: Kathleen Jones, CBTA Treasurer
601 Locust Street
Windsor, CO 80550**