



Wisconsin  
Mathematics  
Education  
Foundation

## Classroom Resources Grant

Deadlines:

July 1 for needs beginning August 1  
December 1 for needs beginning January 1

The Wisconsin Mathematics Education Foundation (WMEF) strives to encourage creativity in the classroom, enhance instructional methods, and promote the effective teaching of mathematics at all levels to improve student interest and mathematics achievement.

WMEF awards grants up to \$750 to provide financial assistance to teachers, grade level groups and school districts for the purchase of classroom resources to support in the development and implementation of innovative teaching strategies or projects in the field of mathematics. These resources may include, but are not limited to, new technology, manipulatives needed to support student learning, or other teacher resources.

Applications are due by December 1st (for needs beginning January 1st) and July 1st (for needs beginning August 1st). Applications for programming and/or purchases that have begun prior to these start dates will not be considered. The selection committee generally meets within two weeks following the application deadlines and applicants will receive notification of the acceptance or rejection of their proposal within one month of the due date. Please submit the completed application materials as **pdf attachments** to [wmeff@wismath.org](mailto:wmeff@wismath.org).

Interested teachers, grade level groups and districts are invited to submit a proposal that must include:

1. WMEF Grant Cover Sheet
2. WMEF Budget Form
  - a. Include an itemized budget listing funds requested from WMEF.
  - b. Identify other sources of funds that have been considered or that will pay for a portion of the project/resource not covered by the grant.
3. A project description should address the following
  - a. Material or resources requested. Include a description for anyone who may not be familiar with a particular name brand or item. Committee members are from a variety of teaching levels, PK-16, and may not just know what materials are or how they are used in a classroom.
  - b. Name of supplier of the material or resource.
  - c. What need (mathematics content / instruction) will material or resource address?
  - d. Approximately how many students will be directly impacted as a result of purchase of the material or resource? What grade level(s) will be involved?
  - e. WMEF believes in cultivating learning that provides a wide range of experiences to accommodate diverse backgrounds and perspectives, creating an opportunity for all. To that end, please describe how you have considered inclusivity and incorporated diversity in your proposal below. How will the resources purchased be used to support the wide variety of student learning needs in the affected classrooms?
4. Principal's Letter of Support
  - a. A principal's letter of support on school letterhead indicating how this purchase will impact the educational community and any additional financial assistance that may also support the project from school or district funding.

## Sharing Your Ideas/Experience and Reimbursement

In order to receive reimbursement, grant awardees will be required to submit the following information in their **Grant Report** along with the **WMEF Grant Reimbursement Request Form** and a copy of the **original Budget Request Form**:

- a report of the impact of the resources on the need that was described in the original proposal. We understand that this impact may not be measured / observed until months after the initial purchase of resources. This timing may, in turn, affect writing of the grant report and the timing of the grant reimbursement request.

In order to benefit the mathematics education community in Wisconsin, the WMEF Committee encourages grant awardees to do one or more of the following after submitting their Grant Report and Reimbursement Form:

- Submit an article to the WMEF to be linked on our website or shared via e-blasts.
- Submit a presentation proposal for the Wisconsin Mathematics Council Annual Conference concerning the project and its results.
- Provide a workshop or professional development related to the project to other teachers in or outside of the school district.
- Provide social media posts that can be shared on WMC's accounts.

### Reimbursement

Reimbursement of expenses will be paid in a timely fashion upon the WMEF receiving the final report requirements listed above and itemized report of expenses with receipts consistent with the original budget request. (See the Budget Reimbursement Form on the grant website.) Expenses will be paid to the primary grant applicant or to a designated recipient. **Variation from the items in the budget request must be approved prior to expenditure and subsequent reimbursement.**

**Regarding the awarding of grants, the decision of the Wisconsin Mathematics Education Foundation Committee is final.** The Wisconsin Mathematics Education Foundation is a committee of the Wisconsin Mathematics Council, Inc. For more information about the Wisconsin Mathematics Council, Inc. and its foundation go to <https://www.wismath.org/>. WMC Board members and WMEF Committee members are not eligible to apply for or receive reimbursements from the WMC/WMEF grant program.