# EPAK: Special Grant

Fall 2023

## **EPAK Special Grant Overview**

#### Purpose

To inspire collaboration amongst teachers to conduct larger-scale and longer-term projects to benefit their students

### **Quick Facts**

Grant Size: \$2,500 to \$5,000 per project

**Duration:** Up to 1 year per project, with annual re-authorization permitted

**Project Team Size:** At least 2 teachers, with 1 designated as the primary contact

**Requirements:** One initial application consisting of two 350 word responses, along with a brief interim and final project report

# **Example Projects**

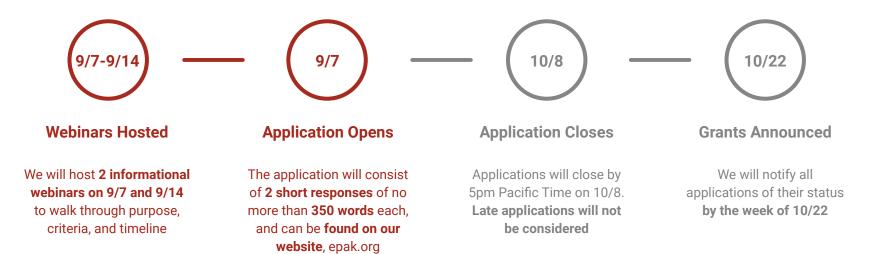
#### In-Scope:

- Investments in larger-scale educational projects (e.g., teaching garden improvements)
- Long-lived classroom equipment (e.g., laptops, desks, library books and upgrades, sports equipment, musical instruments)
- Educational software (e.g., IXL Platform, Quizlet, Canvas)
- Teaching supplements (e.g., field trips to zoos / museums / cultural centers, speaker events)
- Workshops / professional development events for teachers

#### **Out of Scope:**

- Consumable items (e.g., food, gift cards, PPE / medical supplies)
- Teacher salaries and / or bonuses, including reimbursements for teach-from-home items
- Funding for student-led groups (purpose of grant is for teachers)

## Fall 2023 Application Process and Timeline





- 1. Am I eligible for a Special Grant if this is my first time applying to EPAK?
  - a. Yes! All Belle Haven and EPACS teachers are welcome to apply.
- 2. Can I apply to an EPAK Special Grant and another EPAK grant? a. Yes!
- 3. A friend who teaches at another school is interested in the Special Grant. Can he / she apply separately?
  - a. Given that this is the first time we're offering the Special Grant, we are limiting this application cycle to just Belle Haven and EPACS teachers to make sure this is as impactful and rewarding for the participating teachers as possible. Our goal is to expand to all schools eventually, but please be patient!
- 4. Can I partner with a teacher from another school for the Special Grant?
  - a. For this application cycle, we strongly encourage teachers to partner with other teachers from the same school. However, we will consider exceptional cases on an individual basis if the teacher in question has specialized skills for a project primarily benefiting Belle Haven or EPACS.

If any further questions, please feel free to contact <a href="mailto:bruce@epak.org">bruce@epak.org</a>

Thank You! - Your friends at EPAK