



Field trips have long been a foundation of education. Studies have shown that exposing children to the arts adds to the value of classroom teaching. Kids love the excitement of a field trip, especially watching a performance of a favorite book coming to life right before their eyes! We hope to make your experience fun and entertaining for your students and easy, organized and stress free for you. An amazing experience awaits you and your students when you visit Circa '21 Dinner Playhouse.

Just by attending the show at Circa '21 and having a general discussion about the production and its elements on your return to school, teachers may address several IA/IL Curriculum Standards.

Many schools are cutting back on programs, especially in the arts. We offer a student activity packet that addresses curriculum standards for your convenience, free of charge, on our website.

With education funding either reduced or unstable, the budget for field trips in many schools would benefit from the addition of a grant. To pay for those admission tickets and transportation costs, grant money eases the way. Below are some grants and foundations that could give you that unique learning experience to a child.

TARGET CORPORATION FIELD TRIP GRANTS



The Target Field Trip Grants program provides funds for K-12 field trips in order to give students throughout the country the opportunity to explore more of the world outside the classroom. Last year, 5,000 grants of up to \$700 each were awarded to educators, teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, and classified staff who are employed by accredited K-12 public, private, or charter schools. Types of eligible trips include art, science, and cultural museum visits; community service and civic projects; career enrichment opportunities; and other events or activities away from the school facility. Funds may be used to cover trip-related costs such as transportation, ticket fees, food, resource materials, and supplies.

Visit the Target website to learn more about the program.

Bank of America Foundation



The Bank of America Foundation funds, as its primary focus, education projects; particularly those that deal with early childhood education, school readiness programs, financial education, teacher preparation and certification, and literacy. The Foundation does not directly fund private or public K-12 schools. Bank of America also funds health and human services, arts and culture, and community development projects under its Community Catalyst Grants. All requests for funding should be submitted to local Bank of America offices. Organizations located in Arizona, Arkansas, California, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and Washington are eligible to participate in Bank of America Foundation's grant program. Those interested in applying for a grant should send their Bank of America local senior banking executive a brief introductory letter. There are no application deadlines. Visit Bank of America Foundation's Web site for more information: <http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation>



How does it work?

DonorsChoose.org is an online charity that makes it easy for anyone to help students in need. Public school teachers from every corner of America post classroom project requests on our site, and you can give any amount to the project that most inspires you. When a project reaches its funding goal, we ship the materials to the school. You'll get photos of the project taking place, a letter from the teacher, and insight into how every dollar was spent. Give over \$50 and you'll also receive hand-written thank-yous from the students.

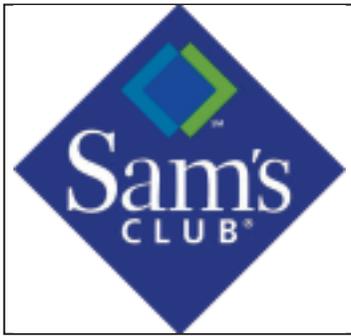
Is there a minimum donation?

You can give as little as \$1 and get the same level of choice, transparency, and feedback that is traditionally reserved for someone who gives millions.

What kinds of schools do you serve?

K-12 public schools in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, including public charter schools.

SAM'S CLUB STORE GRANTS



Most Sam's Club stores have budgeted \$1,000 for local Non-profit civic groups, including schools (outreach and educational programs like field trips). It is best to apply for this grant money at the beginning of each year, however it is quite possible that your neighborhood store might still have all or a portion of the funds remaining.

The grant application process is quite easy. You will need to fill out a short form to take to the store. Ask for the Store Manager or the

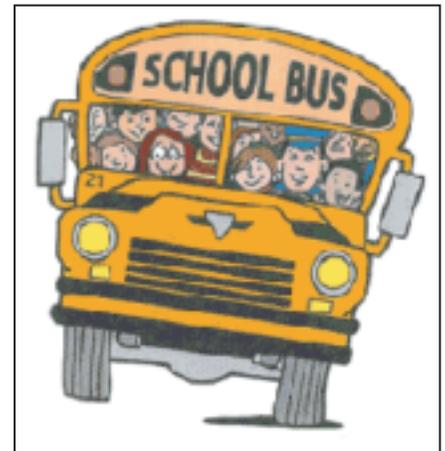
person in charge of grant funding. Go to:

<http://www.walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/8916.aspx>

Big Yellow School Bus Grants **IOWA SCHOOLS ONLY**

Big Yellow School Bus Grants help underwrite field trips for pre-K-12 schools to attend arts events.

Funding for Big Yellow School Bus Grants is made possible by an annual appropriation from the Iowa Legislature to the Arts Division of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs (Iowa Arts Council) and by the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.



Patron Foundation

The Patron Foundation offers a "Culture for Kids" grant periodically. This preK-12 grant focuses specifically on trips to museums, zoos, aquariums, and performing arts productions with the belief that unique experiences with the fine arts and nature enrich the education of children. If awarded the grant, your transportation and admission costs will be covered up to \$10 per student. The application process is open to parent organizations and administrators of both public and private schools and must include a destination listed on the Patron Foundation's roster of participating organizations.

Read more: <http://www.aieac.org/LINKSfunding.html>

Community Foundation Great River Bend



Get a Grant

Gifts to the Community Foundation, from many generous donors, provide a variety of grant making opportunities in our community.

Our grant making work strives to honor each donor's charitable wishes, while strengthening nonprofit organizations. The grant money these nonprofits receive is transforming our region every day. We encourage you to explore the various types of grants we offer, where the money comes from to support our grant making, and how you can apply today!

The Roy E. Murray Foundation Grant for Youth

The Roy E. Murray Foundation Grant for Youth seeks to support charitable organizations in the Quad Cities that promote youth activities. Roy, the former President of Hiland Potato Chip Co., recognized the importance of leaving a legacy and meeting the needs of those in the community who needed help the most. Grant applications that meet nonprofits emergency needs will be given preference. In addition, applications in support of capital campaigns will also be considered.

Grant amount

Funding from the Roy E. Murray Foundation ranges between \$500 to \$1,000 and applications will be reviewed upon receipt.

Access to Artistic Excellence

Funded by: National Endowment for the Arts



To encourage and support artistic excellence, preserve our cultural heritage, and provide access to the arts for all Americans. Grants support projects that provide short-term arts exposure or arts appreciation for children and youth as well as intergenerational education projects.

Program Areas: Arts

Recipients: Public School, Private School, Higher Education, Other

Website: <http://arts.gov/grants>

Availability: All States

ING Foundation



The ING Foundation is the charitable-giving arm of ING in the Americas. The Foundation awards grants to non-profit organizations addressing a variety of community needs and resources, focusing on four

primary areas: children's education, financial literacy, diversity, and environmental sustainability.

Program Areas: Arts, Community Involvement/Volunteerism, General Education, Health/PE, Math, Reading, Science, Environment, Social Studies, Vocational

Recipients: Public Schools, Private/Charter Schools, Higher Education

Email: ingfoundation@us.ing.com

Website: <http://ing.us/about-ing/citizenship/ing-foundation-grants>

Availability: All States

Community Grants Funded by State Farm Companies Foundation



State Farm is committed to meeting the needs of our communities by focusing our giving in three areas: Safe Neighbors (safety), Strong Neighborhoods (community development), and Education Excellence (education).

Program Areas: Adult Literacy, After-School, Arts, At-Risk/Character, Community Involvement/Volunteerism, Disabilities, Early Childhood, Family Services, General Education, Health/PE, Homeless, Math, Professional Development, Reading, Safe/Drug-Free Schools, Science/Environment, Social Studies, Special Education

Recipients: Public Schools, Private/Charter Schools, Higher Education, Other

Website: http://www.statefarm.com/about/part_spos/grantsogrants.asp

PRIME Grants



The Rock Island-Milan Education Foundation provides PRIME Grants (Promoting Rock Island Milan Education) to teachers, schools, and District 41 to improve the quality of education of students throughout the District.

All teachers throughout the Rock Island-Milan School District have the opportunity to apply for classroom and school grants from the Foundation. An individual teacher grant can be no more than \$1,000 and must meet certain guidelines. For more information and to see a sample grant application, visit <http://rockislandschools.org/riec/rimef/grants/>

Music Is Revolution Foundation Mini-Grants

Funded by:

Music Is Revolution Foundation and Svengirly Music, Inc.

The Music Is Revolution Foundation administers a mini-grant program for Music Is Revolution activities designed by teachers to implement, support, and/or improve their ability to provide quality music education for their students. Mini-grants up to \$500 are available to teachers for music education activities of all types. Only projects that clearly contain a music education focus – that is, projects based on the concept of music education, through musical experiences, initiating students into a sense of their social, academic, and cultural identity, and humanizing them through the emotional, cognitive, and/or physical impact of music – will be considered. Applicants are encouraged to include activities that expose students to genres and styles of music not likely to be experienced as a part of their normal daily lives, and to plan the project with input from students, parents, and school administrators, so that the project supports the imaginations of the students while maintaining relevance to the curriculum already in place.

Program Areas: Arts, Elementary through High School

Recipients: Public Schools

Email: info@svengirly.com

Website: http://www.svengirly.com/mir2/pdf/Mini_Grant_Application.pdf

Availability: All States

Address: Music Is Revolution Foundation, c/o Svengirly Music, Inc., PO Box 91894, Pasadena, CA 91109

Kinder Morgan Foundation Education Grants

Funded by: Kinder Morgan Foundation



Grants are primarily directed to educational programs for youth in grades K-12. Funding is provided to local, state, provincial and regional

educational institutions, libraries, and programs that provide ongoing support such as Junior Achievement. The foundation also supports youth programs provided by local arts organizations, symphony orchestras, museums, and others. Initial approach is to contact the foundation for application form, which is required.

Program Areas: Arts, Community Involvement/Volunteerism, General Education, Library, Math, Reading, Science/ Environmental, Social Studies

Recipients: Public School

Email: km_foundation@kindermorgan.com

Website: http://www.kindermorgan.com/community/km_foundation.cfm

Availability: All States