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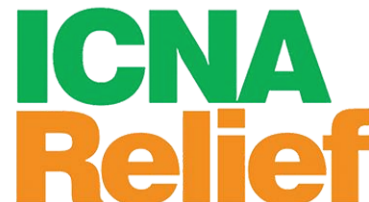
Webinar for teachers, "Continuing Your
Educational Journey"



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At the session, we will share

- Who is eligible
- Products and Services teachers can use the grant on
- Deadlines for the Grant
- Application Details
- High Score & Low Score Application
- Tips from Last Year Grant Recipient: Maajid Coleman



What is the empower Grant

- **Empower Grant program was established in 2020 by ICNA Relief Back2School program.**
- **The Empower Grant program offers grants of up to \$2,000 per year to teachers for classroom enhancement.**
- **Classroom Enhancement Grants: These grants support teachers in implementing innovative projects or programs in their classrooms. They can be used to purchase materials, technology, or resources that enhance the learning experience for students.**



Who is Eligible

- Any elementary/middle school teacher at a public or private school will be considered.
- Must agree to and follow ICNA Relief Terms of Use to apply and receive funds.
- Must provide:
 - Legal name of the grant applicant:
 - W9 & SS #
 - ID
 - Picture of SS card
- Please Note: There will be a 1099 Tax document generated to awardees
 - Grant funds are counted as taxable income on your federal tax return. This means that you will be required to pay taxes on these funds.



Please Note

- The number of classroom grants awarded will depend on the total number of applications. Grants are available up to \$2000, pending availability and demand. We anticipate that we can award 50 recipients.
- Applications are on a first come, first serve basis....So Apply EARLY!



Application Dates

- Application Opens on June 20th, 2023
- Application Closes on July 20th, 2023



Application and Evaluation Criteria

- Each application will be evaluated by a panel of experts and given a value out of 30 points. Applications will be evaluated based on the following:
 - Impact of meaningful instruction on students inside and outside the classroom (+5 points).
 - Funds will be used to develop an impactful and innovative experience for students (+5 points).
 - Letter of recommendation from school (+10 points).
 - 30-120 seconds video (+10 points).
 - For more information visit our empower grant webpage: <https://icnarelief.org/back2school/grants/>.

Application Details

- Contact Information
- School Information
- Grant Request Summary
- YouTube Video
- File Uploads

Application Low Score Application

- **Lack of clarity or feasibility:** If the application lacks clarity, is poorly organized, or fails to demonstrate a well-thought-out plan, it may diminish the chances of receiving the grant. The proposal should clearly articulate the goals, activities, and expected outcomes, while also presenting a realistic timeline and budget.
- **Incomplete application:** If the application lacks required supporting documents, such as a well-written letter of recommendation or a compelling video, it may weaken the overall application. These documents are often essential in demonstrating the credibility, support, and potential impact of the proposed project.
- **Insufficient impact or innovation:** If the proposed project lacks a significant impact on students' learning or fails to demonstrate innovation, it may be less likely to receive grant funding. Grant programs often prioritize initiatives that bring about substantial improvements or introduce novel approaches to teaching and learning.

FAQ

- Can teachers purchase the supplies before the grant is awarded?
 - **No**, teachers cannot purchase the supplies before the grant is awarded.
- Will the school reimburse the teacher?
 - **No**, the school will not reimburse the teacher.
- Can the school keep the award check, partial funds, and or supplies?
 - **No**, the teachers will be awarded, and they are the legal owner of the supplies.
- What do applicants need from the School
 - We need a letter of recommendation from the Principal
- Who is **not** eligible?
 - High School teachers and Administrator teams are **not** eligible





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