



Seagate Technology – Science Teacher Grant Program

Please read this background information in full before submitting an application.
Incomplete applications will not be considered.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Introduction

The Seagate Technology – Science Teacher Grant program is offered to elementary, middle- and high-school science teachers in the St. Vrain Valley and Boulder Valley School Districts. The grant program is designed to support teachers' efforts to bring science to life in the classroom through hands-on applications of scientific principles. Areas of science considered in this grant program include: biology, chemistry, physics, earth sciences, astronomy and space travel, meteorology and oceanography.

Project Focus

Science Teacher Grants will be awarded to programs/projects that present:

1. An original, creative and innovative teaching approach that addresses student need.
2. A measurable approach and clearly defined process to evaluate success in at least one of the following:
 - a. Understanding of scientific principles
 - b. Academic achievement
 - c. Achievement of motivational goals (increased participation in extra-credit classroom exercises, science fairs and other extracurricular science programs/activities)
3. A realistic timeline for accomplishing the project within the school year
4. An appropriate budget

Eligibility Criteria

Any St. Vrain Valley or Boulder Valley elementary, middle- or high-school science teacher with curriculum covering biology, chemistry, physics, earth sciences, astronomy, space travel, meteorology or oceanography may apply for a Seagate Technology – Science Teacher grant.

- Only one grant application may be submitted per year.
- Projects must tie to existing curriculum in your school.
- Requested funds are not available from the school's budget.
- Funds will NOT be provided for projects requesting funds for:
 - Teacher release time or substitute teachers
 - Expenses incurred before the project is approved for a grant
 - The same project that has been funded by the same applicant/co-applicant in the last two years unless there is a significant and innovative change
 - Food, T-shirts or stickers. While we understand that these items can be strong motivators, the focus of this program is on academics.



Application Process

To apply for a Seagate Technology - Science Teacher Grant, complete in full the attached three-page application and fax to Cindy Martini, Seagate Corporate Communications, at 720-684-1213 by 5 p.m., Oct. 31, 2007. Selected applicants will be notified by Friday, Nov. 16. Grants will be issued in early December (approx. Dec. 3 – 14). If you have any questions, please email them to Cynthia.martini@seagate.com and type "TEACHER GRANT PROGRAM" in the subject line.

Be sure to review your application before submitting. All fields must be complete for your application to be considered.

Key Dates

Application due date: Oct. 31, 2007

Recipient notification: Nov. 16, 2007

Funds available: Dec. 3-14, 2007

Maximum award: \$2,000

Notification

Every applicant will receive an email by the notification date to let you know whether your project can be funded. By Dec. 14, 2006, selected applicants will receive:

- A check for the amount requested (made out to your school or science department, as noted by you on your application).
- Information about completing a follow-up report on the results of your program/project.

Recipient Requirements

Grant recipients must:

- Complete their projects and spend funds by June 1, 2008.
- Submit a follow-up report by June 15, 2008.
- Relinquish Seagate-funded materials to the sponsoring school if or when they leave or retire.