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NEWS AND RESOURCES FOR GRANT WRITERS

NEWS

The popular and informative Bring Home the Bacon listserv is now available as a value-added service for [SchoolGrants Biweekly Newsletter](#) subscribers. Not only do subscribers receive informative electronic newsletters twice each month, they have access to one of the most popular PK-12 grant-related listservs on the Net!

Most, if not all, of the information included in this abbreviated newsletter was published in some form previously in [SchoolGrants Biweekly Newsletter](#). If you are a serious grant seeker, you owe it to yourself to check it out!

Teacher-to-Teacher Summer Workshops

<http://tinyurl.com/mkwwg8>

The U.S. Department of Education is holding a series of 14 regional Teacher-to-Teacher workshops for teachers and principals through August. They will provide attendees with deeper content knowledge and pedagogy that will increase the likelihood that their students will achieve at higher levels. Teachers from public, private and charter schools may register to attend the free workshops. There is still time to register for several of the workshops.

Go to <http://www.t2tweb.us/Workshops/Schedule.asp> for information about the topics and locations of available workshops. It may be possible to secure professional development credit for your attendance at the workshops. Some states have provided the U.S. Department of Education with information about what steps teachers should take to obtain professional development credits.

If you are unable to attend, the [Teacher-to-Teacher Web site](#) hosts links to online video, PowerPoint presentations, teacher feedback, and other reference material related to previous workshops.

Using the Internet to Raise Funds and Build Donor Relationships

<http://tinyurl.com/k38e5>

As the Internet continues to grow in popularity, more and more nonprofits are using it for some of their fundraising efforts. Convio, as an Internet software and services company that provides online Constituent Relationship Management (eCRM) solutions for nonprofit organizations and higher education institutions, has published a free guide that covers the basic concepts for creating effective

online fundraising campaigns. The guide describes list-building techniques nonprofits can use to increase their potential donor base, how to target your fundraising campaigns, and how to track the success of your online fundraising efforts. It also includes strategies leading nonprofits have used and tells how your constituents can help raise money for your organization.

EASY FUNDRAISING IDEA!

Educational and nonprofit organizations within the contiguous United States can earn technology, classroom and recreation equipment, and even cash through the [FundingFactory Recycling Program](#). Empty cartridges and used cell phones can be collected within a school, district or entire community to help raise needed funds or earn equipment. FundingFactory provides free collection boxes, promotional materials, and business support supplies.

Participants also are able to compete for great prizes through a host of contests. This year's contest schedule includes digital cameras, die-cut equipment, Palm handheld devices, iPods, movie vouchers, pizza parties and more. [Sign up now!](http://tinyurl.com/mizf) (<http://tinyurl.com/mizf>)
Please mention that you learned about FundingFactory through SchoolGrants when you register.

Map Tool for Needs Assessments, Proposals

<http://tinyurl.com/nn7hs>

A map tool available through the National Center for Education Statistics will help in conducting needs assessments and will allow creation of maps for use in proposals. You can map your entire school district or just a portion of it. Map data is based on information from the 2000 Census. The tool also allows comparisons between two school districts.

KnowledgeWorks Foundation Symposium: The District Role in High School Redesign

<http://www.kwfdn.org/webcasts/>

KnowledgeWorks Foundation is an Ohio-based foundation committed to transforming the state's public schools. The Foundation hosts an archived Webcast of a symposium dedicated to reforming our nation's high schools to improve the education and advancement of our young people. Sponsored by the Carnegie Corporation of New York and *Education Week*, expert panelists at the symposium

debated and discussed how to develop a system of excellent high schools that will provide all children the opportunity to learn and excel. The topics discussed by three panels were:

- * Beyond One-Size-Fits-All High Schools
- * Teaching and Learning in Redesigned High Schools
- * Lessons from Research and Experience

Popularity of Charter Schools Continues

http://www.edreform.com/_upload/cer_charter_survey.pdf

The [Annual Survey of America's Charter Schools](#), released by the Center for Education Reform, tracks the size, scope, demographics, and operations of 990 charter schools (out of 3,300) operating in the Spring 2005. Several significant findings include:

- * 56% have significant waiting lists for students who wish to attend;
- * charters spend \$2,000/pupil less than traditional schools;
- * a median of 60% of students are minority;
- * 63% of students qualify for free/reduced lunch; and
- * an average charter serves 297 students.

GRANT & AWARD OPPORTUNITIES

FOUNDATION/CORPORATE OPPORTUNITIES

Samuel Harris Fund For Children's Dental Health Dentistry Grant Program

<http://tinyurl.com/e8ywj>

The Harris Fund will award grants for programs whose oral health promotion programs are designed to improve and maintain children's oral health through community education programs. The program philosophy seeks to increase access to, and education on, oral health care by encouraging volunteerism in the health professions community.

SCHOOLGRANTS SERVICES

SchoolGrants provides the following services at reasonable costs:

- * Expert grant writing
- * Proposal review
- * Hands-on site-based workshops
- * *Let's Write a Grant* interactive CD

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Proposals submitted by community-based, not-for-profit, oral health promotion programs in the United States and its territories will be considered. Eligible programs include dental health education conducted at schools, health fairs and social agencies; oral health and nutrition education materials designed for parents; and development of public service announcements to increase the awareness of and appreciation for proper childhood oral care.

The Harris Fund will award competitive grants of up to \$5,000. A total of \$210,000 is available for grants.

Only one proposal per organization will be accepted. Proposals must be postmarked by no later than **July 10, 2006**.

The Palmer Foundation

<http://tinyurl.com/j5pl6>

The Palmer Foundation believes in honest, open communication, creativity, education and individual empowerment. With these values in mind, the Foundation seeks to empower young people to reach their potential to become responsible contributors to their families and communities. The Foundation accepts grant proposals for programs that empower young people ages 0 to 25.

The Palmer Foundation accepts letters of inquiry from 501(c)(3) nonprofits. The Foundation's geographical region is usually limited to the Mid West states and the Mid Atlantic states, unless one of the directors has a special interest elsewhere.

Online letters of inquiry must be submitted by **July 31**.

SMARTer Kids Foundation

<http://tinyurl.com/mgft>

SMARTer Kids Grant for SMART Products helps educators purchase SMART products for their classrooms.

The SMARTer Kids Grant for SMART Products is available to all public or private, accredited not-for-profit education institutions, authorized home schoolers, museums, science centers, and libraries involved in K-12, college, university, vocational and technical institution or administration. Grant amounts are 15–55 percent of the suggested list price for the purchase of qualifying SMART products.

Applications must be received prior to midnight, **September 30, 2006** and grants must be used by October 31, 2006.

FEDERAL OPPORTUNITIES

Advanced Technological Education (NSF)

<http://tinyurl.com/na9wg>

The Advanced Technological Education (ATE) program promotes improvement in the education of science and engineering technicians at the undergraduate and the secondary school levels. Proposals to the program may aim to affect specialized technology courses or core science, mathematics, and technology courses that serve as prerequisites or co-requisites for specialized technology courses.

The ATE program focuses on two-year colleges and expects two-year colleges to have a leadership role in all projects. Effective technological education programs should involve partnerships between two-year colleges, four-year colleges and universities, secondary schools, business, industry, and government, and should respond to employers' need for well-prepared technicians with adaptable skills.

A total of \$39 million is available for 60 grants to be awarded during FY 2006 and FY 2007.

Full proposals are due by **October 12, 2006**.

FINAL DETAILS

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