

# Teacher Grant Application

## 2018-2019 School Year



Dear Teachers of Students with Autism,

The Mecklenburg County Chapter of the Autism Society of North Carolina (ASNC-MCC) is pleased to announce the availability of grant money to teachers of students with autism for 2018-19. We are really delighted to be able to offer this opportunity to our children's teachers. The ASNC-MCC Teacher Grant program is intended to enhance the educational experience of students with autism in Mecklenburg County and to reward the efforts of teachers who dare to dream of our children's potential. These grants are only available to those who teach in Mecklenburg County.

In past years we have funded many interesting projects that have enriched the lives of our children. We will give priority to applications from teachers and schools who have not been funded the past two years. This is to assure that our funds end up benefiting as many students as possible, rather than the same students and schools each year. That said, we encourage past recipients to apply again this year as we would like to distribute our entire teacher grant budget.

While we don't want this to be a difficult process, we do take it seriously. Our goal in providing these grants is to make possible some innovative and worthwhile learning experiences for as many students with autism as we can. To assure a fair and effective grant process, we have the following guidelines:

1. Applicants should have a specific goal/objective in mind when completing the attached application form. Grant money is intended to fund:
  - the purchase of materials for a particular project or educational component that will enhance the learning experience of a majority of the students in a class and help the teacher to creatively meet their IEP goals;
  - the purchase of materials which would provide for the increased success for students in an inclusion academic or social environment;
  - the purchase of certain durable goods (an item that can be used for many years) benefiting as many students as possible; or
  - expenses incurred in providing community inclusion opportunities appropriate to the IEP goals of the students in the class.
2. Grant applications may be submitted by a single teacher for the benefit of one class or by a team of teachers to support an entire program. More than one application may be submitted from a school site, though they must each be for different projects.
3. The maximum amount of money awarded for any given grant application is **\$300**. All applications must include an itemized budget to justify the applicant's request. *Please include where the materials may be purchased.* Website and item number are most helpful. If that is not available, please provide the name and address of where the materials may be purchased locally. A grant application for less than **\$300** is acceptable. Alternatively, funding beyond that amount may be provided for grant proposals that are truly innovative and will show evident skill development for several students over the course of many years.
4. For consideration, grants should:
  - include a complete description of how the grant would fit in with the goals for the students;
  - identify the number of students who will benefit from the request;
  - include a complete, itemized budget;
  - not be for materials schools would normally be expected to provide, such as furniture, consumables, standard materials, equipment;
  - not be late or incomplete (these applications will not be considered by the board);
  - not request funds for field trips or one-time events; and
  - not be for digital camera or associated printers.
  - not be for gift card purchases or for Teachers Pay Teachers' purchases.
5. If you are awarded a grant, ASNC-MCC will provide you the materials you requested at a dedicated event. Details about the event will come with your award notification.

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of NORTH CAROLINA  
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**APPLICATION DEADLINE**  
**Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

### General Information

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Principal: \_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's e-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Audience Information

Grades of children that will benefit from grant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of children that will benefit from grant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount requested (not to exceed \$300): \_\_\_\_\_

### Applicant Information

#### Home Address:

Street : \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (School): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_

e-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide a **detailed description** (maximum 1000 words) of the project, item(s), or event that the grant money will fund. *Include in your description how this fits into meeting the needs of the students in your class.*

Additionally, include an **itemized budget** outlining the costs involved with this project, item or event thus accounting for the amount of money requested. If possible, include a website, item name, and number so that we can research your choices. If that is not possible, please include information which would help us research your purchases on line.

I have looked into these other sources of funding:    PTA    ADM    Donor's Choice

Date: \_\_\_\_\_