



## GRANTS FOR TEACHERS FUNDING REQUEST FORM

The Montana Water Environment Association (MWEA) is an association of water environment professionals who support student education and career-building efforts in the stormwater and wastewater fields. Our rivers and wetlands are healthier than they've been in generations, but more work is needed to protect our watersheds and community livability. The Grants for Teachers program was established to support water science education, involvement and restoration activities by K-12<sup>th</sup> grade students in Montana who are working toward clean water education goals.

The following evaluation criteria and process ensure tracking and accountability for funds allocated to schools, promote fair distribution of funds, and leverage MWEA's public education goals. Visit [www.montanawater.org](http://www.montanawater.org) for more information.

### **Evaluation Criteria**

- Curriculum/project is for K-12<sup>th</sup> grade students during the 2018/2019 school year.
- Curriculum/project is science-based and includes water, wastewater and/or stormwater education elements.
- Grants will not be awarded for technology such as ipads, mini ipads, computers, etc. Grants may be awarded for equipment used in water or wastewater testing such as DO, pH, turbidity, etc. Grants will be determined by the review committee with input from the Board if items requested are questionable.
- Strongly suggest curriculum/projects include a wastewater treatment facility tour for grades 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> (if teacher of 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> feel a tour would be beneficial, we encourage you work with your local facility. Some facilities have limits on ages of students) and/or a presentation from a local wastewater/stormwater agency. Strongly suggest projects include a presentation from local wastewater/stormwater agency for grades K-7<sup>th</sup>. MWEA will provide contact information for your local wastewater/stormwater agency if unknown.

### **Process**

- A MWEA review committee will determine the level of funding to be awarded.
- A check payable to the school will be mailed to the contact provided.
- The school agrees to use the funds only as proposed unless otherwise approved.
- A summary of fund use (how the money was spent) and digital photos must be received by December 1, 2019 for inclusion in the grant annual report.

### **Amount Available**

The average funding level will vary depending on the number of applicants and funding level request. Total program fund available is \$2,000.

### **Deadline**

Applications for the 2018/2019 calendar year can be submitted starting July 1, 2018. Award recipients will be notified within 60 days of funding application being received. Funds will be distributed until total available funds are depleted. For submission and questions, please contact:

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**MONTANA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION**  
**GRANTS FOR TEACHERS FUNDING REQUEST 2018/2019**

School name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project title: \_\_\_\_\_

Key contact person/instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Funding use\*\*: (Check all that apply)

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|---|---|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference/Workshop              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation planting  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Stream/Habitat Enhancement |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clean up             | <input type="checkbox"/> Bus transportation               |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute Teacher   | <input type="checkbox"/> Monitoring                       |                                    |

Other \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Funding may not be used to purchase technology (ie, ipad, ipad mini, tablets, computers, etc.). Funding can be used to purchase equipment (ie, turbidity meter, pH meter, DO meter, etc.)

Amount Requested: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***Grant recipients are strongly suggested to take a wastewater treatment facility tour (7<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>) and/or have a presentation from their local wastewater/stormwater agency. If unknown, contact Amy Deitchler at [adeitchler@greatwesteng.com](mailto:adeitchler@greatwesteng.com).***

Name of nearest wastewater treatment facility: \_\_\_\_\_

**Curriculum/Project Description and Purpose:**

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**Location of project site or area if outside classroom:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of waterbody (i.e. stream, river, wetland, lake) (if applicable):** \_\_\_\_\_

**If enhancement project, what specific water quality benefits will this project have?**

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**How many participants will be involved in this curriculum/project (number of students and instructors)?**

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**What other groups or organizations have made commitments to work on this curriculum/project?**

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**What is your plan of action/timeline for completing your curriculum/project?**

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**Will you take a wastewater treatment facility tour and/or have a wastewater/stormwater professional present to your class?**

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**Have your students taken a wastewater treatment facility tour in the past? If so, where and when?**

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**Has a wastewater/stormwater professional presented to your students in the past? If so, who and when?**

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**Budget:**

Funding will depend upon on the number of applicants and funds available. Funds can be used for educational materials, supplies, equipment, transportation and contracted professional services. Funds may not be used for food.

**Expense Item**

**Cost**

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**Other Contributions and Funding (if applicable):**

List contributions for other sources or groups (financial, materials, services).

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**Signature**

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**Date**

**Thank you for nurturing our future water professionals. Please return this form to:**

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