

STUDENT ENRICHMENT GRANTS

The goal of the Student Enrichment Grants is to provide funds for students in grades K-12 to participate in experiences that extend beyond the classroom. The experiences may include but are not limited to the following:

- Tuition and fees for 5th grade students to participate in Camp Grady Spruce
- Summer Academies such as Debate, Fine Arts, Leadership, Math, NASA Space Camp, Robotics, SAT/ACT, Science, etc.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Grant Application must be typed for consideration.

Please read carefully to fully understand guidelines and expectations.

Award Range:

- Up to \$2,000/Student between September 1 and August 31 of each year
- **The number of grants funded will depend upon available funds.**

Application Deadline: 45 days prior to the required funding

Notification of Recipients and Awarding of Funds:

- Recipients will be notified within 30 days of application submission.
- Funds will be sent to the vendor sponsoring or hosting the activity.

Applicant Eligibility:

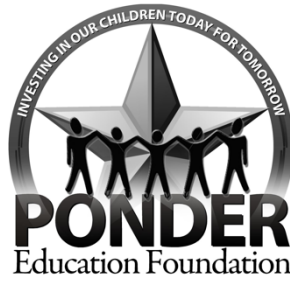
- Student Enrichment Grants for Students are limited to students in the Ponder Independent School District schools who would like to participate in enrichment activities that are above and beyond regular, remedial or required study.
- A letter of recommendation is required for all enrichment applications except for Camp Grady Spruce.
- *If students do not attend the enrichment activity 85% of the time, parents are responsible for reimbursing the Ponder Education Foundation and will not be eligible to apply for another Foundation grant for one year.*
- *A participation certificate verifying attendance must be submitted to the Foundation, plus a summary report at the conclusion of the activity.*

Eligible Projects:

- All Enrichment grants must provide the applicants with information that will enrich the students' total learning experiences.
- Students are responsible for maintaining their school's expectations, and enrichment activities in no way supersede the school's curriculum.

Application Review:

- Before the applications are reviewed by the Programs Committee, a Ponder Independent School District campus administrator and/or counselor will review the applications for the express purpose of assuring student compliance with the criteria of the Student Enrichment Grants program.



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PONDER EDUCATION FOUNDATION
APPLICATION FOR STUDENT ENRICHMENT GRANT

Note: Review of proposals is anonymous. The first and second pages will not be included as part of the review process. Consideration of your request will be based entirely on the following proposal.

Student Name _____

Home Address _____ Zip Code _____

Area Code/Telephone _____

Date of Birth _____ Grade Level _____ School Campus _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Please list the activity for which you are applying:

Complete Name of Enrichment Activity _____

Describe the Enrichment Activity _____

Vendor Address, if applicable _____ Zip Code _____

Contact Person _____ Phone Number _____

Total Dollar Amount of Funds Requested _____

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APPLICATION FOR STUDENT ENRICHMENT GRANT

*For Parents:

Describe the need for funds.

If your child receives the Student Enrichment Grant, he/she is requested to submit a summary of the experience of the program to the Ponder Education Foundation.

As the parent/guardian, I certify that the information on this application is true and accurate and I understand the importance of my child attending the enrichment activity. If my child does not attend regularly (at least 85% of the time), I understand that I will be responsible for reimbursing the Ponder Education Foundation for the amount of the Enrichment Grant.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

**This information will be kept confidential and may be used only to determine eligibility for the Enrichment Grants for Students program. It will not be released for any other purpose.*

Administrator/Counselor Recommendation

Administrators or counselors may offer comments or input (optional) regarding this student's circumstances or background. Please sign and date that you have reviewed this application.

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Name of Administrator/Counselor _____

Please attach information about the enrichment activity (brochure, pamphlet), and send the application with three (3) copies to:

Ponder Education Foundation
400 W Bailey Street
Ponder, Texas 76259

DO NOT FAX OR EMAIL

Date Received _____

Ponder Education Foundation Student Enrichment Grant Application

DIRECTIONS: Please TYPE your answers to questions 1-5 in 150 words or less on a separate sheet of paper and reference your answer to the question number. Be as detailed as possible and be aware this is the only page that will be evaluated by the Review Committee. All decisions are based on the information below.

Title of Enrichment Activity _____

Total Dollar Amount Requested \$_____

Date Funds Needed _____ Funds will be used for _____

Briefly Explain Need for Funds: _____

1. Why do you wish to participate in this enrichment activity? **(40 pts.)**

2. What do you hope to learn from this enrichment activity? **(25 pts.)**

3. How can you share what you gain from this activity with other students? **(25 pts.)**

4. List the school activities in which you are currently involved. **(5 pts.)**

5. List the community activities in which you are currently involved. **(5 pts.)**

**PONDER EDUCATION FOUNDATION
STUDENT ENRICHMENT GRANT SUMMARY**

Directions: Please submit the grant evaluation summary to the Ponder Education Foundation Office **within two weeks after participating in the enrichment activity.** Using the space provided in each section, write one or two paragraphs in response to each statement. Expand the document to accommodate your response. *If you have video or photo materials you would like to share, please submit them for Foundation use.*

I. Give a description of the activity in which you participated and describe how it met your expectations.

II. What did you learn from this activity? Please be specific.

III. Explain how you will share what you learned with other students.

Campus:

Title of Enrichment Activity:

Dates of Enrichment Activity:

Printed Name of Recipient

Signature of Recipient

Date

Send to:
Ponder Education Foundation ~ 400 W Bailey Street, Ponder, Texas 76259