



BRAINSTORMING TIPS

 DISCUSS IDEAS WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES AND PRINCIPAL

 CONDUCT A SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) ANALYSIS

WRITING TIPS

 EMPHASIZE ENHANCED LEARNING FOR STUDENTS

 ESTIMATE THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS SERVED
DO NOT USE ENTIRE SCHOOL ENROLLMENT IF ONLY STUDENTS IN A SPECIFIC CLASSROOM WILL BE IMPACTED

 ENSURE GRANT RESPONSES ARE COMPLETE AND CONCISE

 PROVIDE SPECIFIC DETAILS ABOUT OUTCOME AND IMPACT

 MAKE A STRONG TIE TO CURRICULUM

 BE ILLUSTRATIVE – TELL YOUR STORY!

SUBMISSION TIPS

 CHECK SPELLING, GRAMMAR, AND CALCULATIONS

 INCLUDE YOUR COMMUNITY! SUPPORT GRANT REQUEST WITH OUTSIDE FUNDING OR DONATIONS.

 REVIEW, REVISE, AND REWRITE UNTIL READY TO SUBMIT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1 WHO CAN APPLY FOR A NEEF GRANT?

NEISD teachers, coaches, librarians, principals, District Coordinators, and Directors are eligible to apply for a NEEF Grant.

2 I APPLIED LAST YEAR. CAN I APPLY AGAIN THIS YEAR?

Yes! Applicants can revise and resubmit a previous application. If an applicant was awarded a previous grant, they are eligible to apply for a current grant.

3 HOW LONG SHOULD I SPEND ON THE APPLICATION?

There is no recommended time for completing a grant request. Applicants should answer all questions thoroughly, thoughtfully, and briefly.

4 DO YOU AWARD PARTIAL FUNDING FOR GRANTS?

Yes, NEEF **frequently** awards partial funding for many grants! Typically, there is over \$1 million requested and we are only able to fund a fraction of those requests.

5 CAN I WORK WITH ANOTHER TEACHER ON THE GRANT APPLICATION?

Yes! Don't work alone. Find the best writer on your staff, the best proofreader, and work together on the grant application.

6 IS THERE A MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF FUNDS I CAN REQUEST?

There is no limit to how much money applicants can request.

7 WHEN WILL I BE NOTIFIED IF MY GRANT REQUEST IS APPROVED?

Grant awards will occur in August 2025. Once grant funding is distributed, every grant applicant will receive an approval or denial letter.

8 IF AWARDED, WILL GRANT FUNDS ROLL OVER TO THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR IF ALL MONEY IS NOT USED?

No, all awarded monies must be spent by April 1, 2026. Any unused funds will be returned to NEEF.