



Escondido Education Foundation Grant Applications 2025

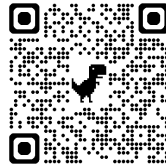
Need some \$\$\$ to implement an innovative or creative idea in your classroom or school?

Apply for a Mike Caston Innovation Grant!

Grant applications have gone digital! Please, use this link:

<https://forms.gle/FFj6s4df83o3tVky5>

or scan this QR code to access the Google Form application.



The link is also available on the Escondido Education Foundation website:

<https://escondidoeducation.org/>

We look forward to funding many applications this year. The deadline is Monday, November 3rd, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Checks will be dispersed in December at our “Grant Night.”



Please watch [this short video](#) about our grants from Leila Sackfield.

Please, read the grant questions in this flyer so you can prepare your answers before submitting the form.

Escondido Education Foundation Mike Caston Innovation Grant Application 2025

Find the form online to apply.

Preview of Questions

- Your First and Last Name
- Project Title
- Amount Requested:
 - \$500 for Single Class project
 - \$2,500 for a Team or Grade Level project
 - \$5,000 for a School-wide project
- Grade Level(s)
- Number of Classrooms participating
- Approximate number of students participating

•**Project Summary:** Please write 1 paragraph to summarize your project. Keep to 250 words or less. 10 points

•**How is this project innovative or creative?** These are the Innovation Awards, after all. Keep to 250 words or less. 30 points

Innovation: To better understand “Innovation”, please watch the video linked at the beginning of the application.

•**Student Needs:** Explain the reasons why this project is so necessary for your student population. Use data, examples, and passion! Keep to 250 words or less. 10 points

•**Standards:** Please, do not only supply the wording of the standards your project addresses. Instead, briefly explain how your project carries them out in narrative form. Be specific. Keep to under 250 words. 10 points

•**Project Plan:** Describe in detail how your project will be implemented. It should read similarly to a lesson/project plan with an introduction, implementation timeline, and evaluation. Limit it to 500 words or less. 40 points

•**Lasting Impact:** Having a lasting impact is not a requirement to receive a grant, however, it is nice to know how this might impact your classroom, the school community, or students for years to come. Limit it to 250 words or less.

•**Budget:** Use this link to a budget template to fill in a Google Sheet budget and then copy the link to that Google Sheet here. Remember to “share” the document with “anyone with the link”.

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Mike Caston Grant Application Check List

This form is to assist you with filling in the grant application. We want every application to be eligible for funding.

____1. **Plan your answers** to the application in another document so you can copy and paste into the Google Form and not lose anything if there is a connectivity issue. Here is a copy of the [questions](#).

____2. **Budget:** Plan what you want to buy with the grant award. Find out where you will buy it and how much it will cost. You will need to figure out tax and shipping for the budget template. When you open the budget template, it will be your own copy of the document. We don't have access to it unless you share it with us and post that link in the application. If you don't give us access, your application will not be read.

____3. **Open the Grant Application:** Make sure you watch any videos/screencasts linked in the instructions.

- Fill in your applications from your prepared answers.

____4. When you fill in the application, it will send you a copy to your email. Use your EUSD email address in the application. Make sure to **print your application** for signatures from your administrator and any co-applicant.

____5. **Deliver your printed hard copy with signatures** to the D.O. before Monday, November 3rd at 4PM.

____6. Email Terri Price tprice@eusd.org if you have any questions.

Good Luck!