



GRANTS FOR BRIGHT IDEAS

2025 - 2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Madill Alumni Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with the mission to financially and materially support the students and graduates of Madill Public Schools, to maximize student potential through educational programs and resources, and to champion innovative teachers.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Grants for Bright Ideas Program is designed to encourage, facilitate, recognize, and reward innovative and creative instructional approaches to address student academic needs and social/emotional wellness. Proposals must reflect the objectives and goals of Madill Public Schools.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Individual faculty or teams of Madill Public Schools involved in student instruction. Each application must include a certified teacher.

ELIGIBLE GRANT CATEGORIES

- Innovative or creative approaches to learning (materials, activities, programs, etc.) supporting higher levels of student achievement, extending learning outside of the classroom, or entrepreneurship.
- Provide students the opportunity to grow and become creative, innovative, and critical thinkers.
- Allow students to apply classroom knowledge to real-life applications.
- Provide students with cultural exposure and innovative experiences (could include guest speakers).
- STEM
- Arts
- Literacy
- Career/Technical Education
- Health and Wellness

ELIGIBLE PROPOSALS

Instructional approaches or projects designed to take place during the 2025-2026 school year that meet the *selection criteria*.

up to

\$500

per MPS site

2025-2026 Grants will be awarded in amounts up to \$500 to teacher-initiated programs and projects.

One recipient will be chosen at each MPS site:

ECC

Elementary

MMS

MHS

DEADLINE

OCT 15, 2025

APPLY HERE



SELECTION CRITERIA

The following criteria will be considered during the grant review process:

- The degree to which the proposal addresses important project objectives.
- The degree to which the proposal represents a creative or innovative approach to the accomplishment of objectives.
- The degree to which sound evaluation procedures are incorporated in the proposal.
- The degree to which the proposal is clear and logical.

ITEMIZED BUDGET

A proposed budget should be included in the application itemizing how grant funds will be utilized if awarded.

NAMES & SIGNATURES

The name(s) and signature(s) of the applying teacher(s) *AS WELL AS* the site administrator are required for the application to be considered complete. The signature of the site administrator indicates his/her agreement and approval of the application for grant funds. All grant proposals should align with respective MPS site values and curriculum.

GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS

- Applications may be accessed via the QR code shown on the front of this flyer or through the Madill Alumni Association website at www.madillhsalumni.org.
- Signature authorization page attached should be signed and uploaded within the grant application.
 - *Failure to provide signature authorization will render the application incomplete.*
- Additional forms are available on the Madill Alumni Association website: www.madillhsalumni.org
- Applications will be reviewed by the Madill Alumni Association Grant Review Committee. If recommended for approval, the application will then be presented to the full Madill Alumni Association board for final approval.
- Applicants will be notified of awards prior to Thanksgiving Break 2025.
- Inquiries may be directed to the Madill Alumni Association at madillhsalumni@gmail.com.