

## Millstone Township Foundation for Educational Excellence

Devoted to funding grants for items that nurture extraordinary educational experiences for every student in Millstone Township Public Schools

# MTFEE Grant Process Most FAQs & Helpful Tips

#### Q: What types of grants can MTFEE fund?

- **A:** Following are some guidelines:
  - Grant that shows a clear benefit to Millstone Township students' education.
  - Grant that is not currently being done.
  - Grant that is beyond the scope of the general budget, which depends on the budget for any given year. It should be something that is <u>not</u> covered under the BOE budget.
     MTFEE does not supplement the district budget.
  - Grant cost that is reasonable for the scope of the project and number of students that will benefit.
  - There is no other funding available (i.e. state grants, corporate grants, etc.) for that grant.

### Q: What should be kept in mind when completing a grant application?

- **A:** 1) How will this grant benefit education for the students?
  - 2) Is the grant cost reasonable for the scope of the project?

### Q: What is MTFEE's grant review process?

A: MTFEE has a rigorous grant review process. The grant committee utilizes a grading system, similar to a rubric that the teachers use, to fairly evaluate the applications. After committee members have an opportunity to review them individually, they come together as a group to discuss them before their recommendations are presented to the entire MTFEE board of trustees for final approval.

### Q: What are some reasons grant proposals are not approved?

- A: Following are some reasons that grant proposals are not approved:
  - Proposal is handed in after the deadline.
  - Proposal is missing signature(s).
  - Proposal is incomplete.
  - Proposal objectives are not clearly defined and missing important details.
  - Implementation details are not clearly defined.
  - Proposal budget is not clearly defined.
  - Other options are available that are less costly, but offer the same benefit to students.
  - Proposal cost is not reasonable to meet the objectives.
  - There is funding available through other sources including the general school budget.