



Innovative Curriculum Funding Award: Call for Submissions 2025-2026

The San Gorgonio Education Foundation (SGEF) is pleased to announce the 2025-2026 funding cycle for the **Innovative Curriculum Project (ICP)**. This initiative seeks to foster educational innovation by supporting projects and proposals that enhance student engagement, improve educational outcomes, and address critical community issues.

SGEF has a long-standing commitment to the Banning Unified School District (BUSD) and the students it serves, including those who reside in neighboring areas such as Cabazon, Whitewater, and the Morongo Reservation. Through this funding opportunity, we aim to expand our reach and further develop the collaboration between school district staff and community organizations.

A panel of judges composed of Banning community members will score applications and select the recipients of this SGEF funding award. To maintain discretion, judges will review redacted applications when scoring. Please review the application guidelines below before submitting your proposal.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- Applications will only be accepted from Banning Unified School District educators, staff, and other personnel or teams.
 - Examples include but are not limited to, teachers, nutritionists, custodians, aides, office staff, counselors, specialists, administrators, librarians, et al.
- Applicants can apply for up to \$4500.
- There is no restriction on the number of separate applications submitted from any one school.
- Applicants must include a budget that supports the project.
- Late submissions will not be accepted.
- Applications must be submitted no later than **September 8th, 2025** to sangorgonioeducationfoundation@gmail.com
- After funds are dispersed and the innovative project is complete, the recipient of the funding must provide a report or presentation detailing the learning outcomes and results of the implemented project. Copies of all receipts pertaining to project expenses must be provided. Failure to provide a final report or presentation to SGEF by **June 30th, 2026**, will result in disqualification from future funding opportunities. Please keep a copy of your application and curriculum plan for your records.

For questions and additional information, please contact:

sangorgonioeducationfoundation@gmail.com

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Application Requirements

Applicants must submit a complete proposal including the following:

Part 1: Project Narrative

1. Project Information

- Goals and objectives of the project.
- Description of how the project is innovative and addresses critical community issues such as food insecurity, civic engagement, climate resilience, or educational inequities.
- Explanation of planned activities and how they will enhance the students' educational experience.
- Identification of the measurable outcomes or impact on the target population. Please describe your target population for the project (e.g., individuals experiencing food insecurity, justice-impacted minors)

2. Collaborative Element:

- Proposals must demonstrate a partnership between school staff and at least one community-based organization (e.g., local church, nonprofit, business).
- Applicants should outline how the partnership will support the project's implementation and success.

3. Evaluation Metrics:

- Create a plan to measure how well your project works by:
 - i. Counting how many students and community members participated or were served.
 - ii. Gathering feedback through surveys, interviews, or stories to show the project's impact.
 - iii. Tracking improvements in the community, like new partnerships or better access to resources.
 - iv. Summarizing these results to show what worked and what can be improved.

Part 2: Budget

- Detailed budget, with categories such as personnel, materials, transportation, and other relevant costs. See attached budget worksheet to this application.

San Gorgonio Education Foundation Grant Application
(For committee reference only: Project Number_____)

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Project Title: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Staff Position (Title): _____

School Name: _____

Site Administrator: _____

School Address: _____

School Phone Number: _____

Please select which group(s) will participate in your project and include their information (select all that apply):

☐	Grade Level:
☐	Club/Organization:
☐	Department:
☐	Entire School:

Please indicate the number of participants for each group below. If none, please enter "0".

Students: _____

Classes: _____

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II. PROJECT NARRATIVE

Project Title:
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Please include your project description here or in a separate attached document. If attaching separate document, responses must not exceed two pages and must be double spaced.

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III. BUDGET

Project Title: _____
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Total Amount Requested (applicants can request up to \$4500): _____

Please outline the project's intended budget below:

Category	Cost	Brief Justification
Personnel (Ex. speaker fees, consultant costs, etc.)		
Materials & Supplies		
Transportation		
Other (please specify): (Ex. tickets, application fees, etc.)		
	Total Budget Amount: \$ _____	

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IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Does your request meet Banning Unified School District's requirement of health and safety code for students? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Can you ensure that your request will not duplicate materials or programs currently funded by BUSD? ☐ Yes ☐ No

The San Geronio Education Foundation assumes funding recipients will follow through with their projects and programs in good faith and request beneficiaries to present or summarize their results to the Foundation. If recipients do not provide a final report by June 30th, 2026, they will be disqualified from future funding opportunities.

Please make a copy of your completed application to keep for your records. Altering the original application can result in disqualification. By signing this application, the applicant acknowledges and agrees to the terms above.

Applicant Signature

Date

Printed Name and Title

Site Administrator Signature

Date

Printed Name and Title