



Mississippi Professional Educators Administrator School Grant Program

Mississippi Professional Educators invites its members to apply for our administrator school grant funding to try out a new idea to motivate, inspire, reward, and encourage teachers and staff. These administrator grants are intended to provide funding for projects that boost morale and celebrate teachers' and staff accomplishments.

WHAT:

Grants up to **\$1,000** will be awarded to administrators to provide incentive programs including new projects or programs, expansion of an already existing program, special events, professional development opportunities, parent involvement programs. (Grant funds cannot be used for capital supplies, furniture, landscaping, equipment, or travel expenses. Funding will not be provided for field trips.) All items purchased with MPE grant funding will become the property of the school district. MPE members may apply for one administrator grant per school year.

WHO:

Any public or private school administrator, IHL or community college dean, or post-secondary department chair who is an active member of MPE a minimum of one year immediately prior to the application deadline is eligible to apply. Lead teachers are not eligible for the grant funds. Funded grants are limited to one per school district, college or university per school year.

HOW:

Completed applications must be scanned in and submitted as a PDF via email to Barbie@mpe.org. Applications must be signed by the submitting administrator and his/her superintendent. All decisions regarding grant awards are made by MPE and are final.

2026 Grant Deadlines: September 30, 2026 (Awarded by: October 30, 2026)

- All applications must be received in the MPE office by 4:30 p.m.
- Funding notifications will be given approximately four weeks after the application deadline.
- Please note that all administrator school grant funding received in the 2026-2027 school year must be spent in that same school year.
- Four grant awards will be awarded in each of MPE's eight membership districts, and eighteen grants will be awarded to the highest ranked applicants in the remaining pool of applications (the state at large). If MPE does not have any applicants from a membership district or applications that meet minimal point requirements, MPE will award that grant to the next highest ranked applicant from the state at large. If MPE receives multiple applications from the same district, college or university, the grant will be awarded to the highest ranked applicant in the district, college or university. In the event of a tie, the applicant with the most years of MPE membership will be awarded the grant.
- As Article 4, Sections 66 and 96 of the Mississippi Constitution prohibit compensation to school employees when no services are rendered or paying more than the contractual amount, MPE will send the grant award to an administrator's PTO, educational foundation, or community entity on the administrator's behalf.

All decisions regarding grant awards are made by MPE and are final. All grant funds must be deposited within 60 days of the date of disbursement. All funds not deposited within 60 days will be forfeited.

Grant winners will submit a brief write-up to MPE by July 1, 2027, with photographs and detailed final expenses of their administrator grant project. Failure to submit any of the above requirements by the grantee will result in denial of future applications.



2026 Mississippi Professional Educators' Administrator Grant Application

For MPE Office Use
Only

MPE District: _____

Please follow these guidelines for your application to receive consideration:

1. Applications must be typed or printed legibly in black ink.
2. Email completed application and all required information by 4:30 p.m. on September 30, 2026, to barbie@mpe.org.

School Name: _____ School District _____

Name: _____ Job Title _____ MPE Member# _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number (Work): _____ (Cell): _____

Email Address: _____

Project Name: _____

Amount Requested (up to \$1,000): _____

***All awards will be paid approximately 2 weeks after notification of funding.

As Article 4, Sections 66 and 96 of the Mississippi Constitution prohibit compensation to school employees when no services are rendered or paying more than the contractual amount, MPE will disburse the grant funds to a Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), educational foundation, or other community entity on your behalf. Please list the PTO, educational foundation or other community entity you prefer the grant funds to be disbursed to.

Name: _____ Contact Person: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Project Description:

Please use a separate sheet (no more than 2 pages typed) attached to this cover sheet. Include:

1. Project Description
2. Goal(s) of Project
3. School Profile (including the number of faculty and staff and teacher to student ratio)
4. Detailed Project Budget (May be submitted separately on 3rd typed sheet, if necessary)

Signatures and Date Required

Administrator

Superintendent/Supervisor

Date

Date