



THE EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC.
of
CALDWELL COUNTY

Student Activity Financial Assistance Fund



History:

The Student Activity Financial Assistance Fund began with a donation from the Whitener Foundation to the Education Foundation Inc. of Caldwell County honoring Helen Hall for her care and concern for children. Dr. Hall requested the donation be used to help students participate in educational experiences which are unattainable without such a fund. Since its inception, the Student Activity Financial Assistance Fund has been strengthened by funding from the Education Foundation.

What is the Student Activity Assistance Fund?

The fund is used to assist individual students during the school year who cannot participate in class-wide curriculum related or academic activities without financial assistance due to financial hardship. After school athletic activities or medical needs are not awarded under this fund. Students requiring financial assistance may request up to \$50.00 per year.

Who is eligible?

Students K-12 enrolled in the Caldwell County School System experiencing financial hardship are eligible to apply. All applicants shall be considered without regard to race, age, color, sex, national origin or disability. Priority will be given to activities that specifically relate to the grade level standard course of study.

Due to IRS reporting, funds not spent must be returned to
The Education Foundation.

Field Trip Policy

Please refer to Caldwell County Board of Education Policy 3320-R, Approval Criteria #9, which states that schools must “ensure all eligible students are given an opportunity to participate and that no student is denied participation because of the expense of the trip or because of the student’s disability.”



QUESTIONS?
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How to Apply

- Elementary and middle school students: Applications must be completed by a parent or legal guardian.
- High school students: Students may complete their own applications.

Each application must be individualized and include the required signatures of the parent/legal guardian, sponsoring teacher, and school principal. If a high school student completes the application, the student's signature is also required.

Applications may not be mass-produced or copied for multiple students participating in the same activity.

Application Guidelines

- Applications are reviewed monthly by the Education Foundation's Grants & Scholarships Committee.
- Applications must be received before the scheduled activity or field trip. Please plan ahead.
- Applications received after the activity has occurred or after May 1 will not be considered.
- The maximum award is \$50.00 per student per school year, subject to available funding.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Application Form

The following sections must be complete and all signatures obtained.

Name of student, parent (legal guardian), filling out application: _____

Students Name: _____ Age/Grade _____

School: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Amount Requested (up to \$50.00 per year) _____

Date of Activity: _____

To be completed by teacher/sponsor: Describe this activity and how it aligns/supports the NC Standard Course of Study. Attach additional information if necessary.

To be completed by Parent/Guardian or Student (high school): Provide a statement of need. (Why is funding needed?)

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____
(If student is the applicant)

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Teacher's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Principal's Signature: _____ Date: _____