

OUTDOOR EDUCATION FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Camp Ondessonk is proud to offer scholarship funding to schools, but requests often exceed available funding.

Listed below are funding opportunities available to schools that could help fund your visit.

Illinois Biodiversity Field Trip Grant

Amount Awarded - \$500 per teacher

Available to prekindergarten through grade 12 teachers in Illinois schools and home-schooling teachers in Illinois and are awarded for the purpose of studying some aspect of Illinois' biodiversity. Items eligible for funding include transportation as well as admission and other fees directly related to the field trip. The field trip must occur before December 31, 2024.

Application - <https://walmart.org/how-we-give/local-community-grants>

The NEA Foundation Student Success Grants

Amount Awarded - \$1,500 to \$5,000

Available to teachers, education support professionals, or specialized instructional support personnel who are current members of the National Education Association. Grant funds can be used for resource materials, supplies, equipment, transportation, or technology.

Application - <https://www.neafoundation.org/educator-grants-and-fellowships/student-success-grants/>

Academic Enrichment Grants

Amount Awarded - up to \$10,000

The McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation provides grants to educators to develop in-class and extra-curricular programs that improve student learning.

Application - <https://mccartheydressman.org/academic-enrichment-grants/>

Foundation for Rural Service Community Grants

Amount Awarded - \$250 to \$5,000

Open to communities served by NTCA - The Rural Broadband Association members to provide support to a variety of local efforts to build and sustain a high quality of life in rural America.

Application - <https://www.frs.org/programs/grant-program/community-grant>

Casey's Cash for Classrooms Grants

Amount Awarded - \$3,000 to \$50,000

Available to K-12 public and nonprofit, private schools in a region served by a Casey's General Store to support projects including efforts to engage students with the community. Funds must be used within 12 months of receiving the award.

Application - <https://walmart.org/how-we-give/local-community-grants>

WalMart Community Grants

Amount Awarded - \$250 to \$5,000

Available to K-12 public or nonprofit, private schools and charter schools to provide enrichment for low-income individuals and families.

Application - <https://www.caseys.com/community/cash-for-classrooms-grants>

