

# Funding Opportunities

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## Where to Find Funding & How to Succeed

### Why Funding?

Budgeting at Jonesboro Public Schools can be a tedious task. After budgeting for the things that are needed to keep the school district going, there's not much left for technology. Yes, we have quite a bit of technology in our district. What you may not know is that the technology we have acquired has been purchased using grant and federal monies. If there is something technology specific you may need in your classroom, you may want



to look for funding opportunities. Please remember that any funds awarded must pass through Central Office before distribution to your classroom.

### Helpful Links

**[The Arkansas Department of Education](http://www.arkansased.org/programs/grants.html)** (<http://www.arkansased.org/programs/grants.html>) has compiled a list of grant opportunities for districts, schools, and individual educators. They also provide training for interested educators on grant writing.

**[The Foundation Center](http://foundationcenter.org/)** (<http://foundationcenter.org/>) is a great resource to find funding as well. They maintain a comprehensive database on U.S. grant-makers and their grants.

**[Guide Star](http://www2.guidestar.org/)** (<http://www2.guidestar.org/>) a resource that has a searchable database of over 1.7 million U.S. non-profit organizations, including foundations.

**[Grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov)** (<http://www.grants.gov>) is managed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. You can find and apply for various federal government grants.

### Writing Tips

**Remember to read and follow grant guidelines, organize your proposal and write clearly!**

**[Non-Profit Guides](http://www.npguides.org/)** (<http://www.npguides.org/>) provides free Web-based grant-writing tools useful for non-profit organizations.

**[Step By Step FundRaising](http://stepbystepfundraising.com/20-free-grant-writing-resources-non-profits/)** (<http://stepbystepfundraising.com/20-free-grant-writing-resources-non-profits/>) offers a list of 20 free grant writing resources for non-profit organizations.



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