

AMFA Educational Trust Grant Parameters

The AMFA-ET is a 501(C)3 nonprofit organization that disseminates information about employment opportunities in manufacturing, provides grants to regional educational institutions, supports lifelong learning in technical education.

Organizations eligible for grant funding are 501(C)3 nonprofits, schools, and other public entities located in or serving the communities represented by the AMFA membership. To be considered, requests must address at least one of the following three priority areas.

- Employment opportunities in manufacturing
- Grants to educational institutions
- Lifelong learning in manufacturing-related education

The AMFA Educational Trust **WILL** consider grant requests for:

- Existing programs, expansion of program, and projects that are time-limited in nature.
- New programs/organizations that demonstrate clear and relevant goals.
- Programs and educational activities that seek to build capacity.
- Repeat applications, although priority will be given to NEW requests.
- Robotics programs/competitions. (Maximum award of \$500/team. Please note deadlines.)

The AMFA Educational Trust generally **WILL NOT** consider grant requests for:

- Programs/projects outside the priority areas or taking place outside the membership area.
- Grants to individuals, businesses, or private foundations.
- Sectarian religious programs.
- Endowment, capital campaigns, or support for fundraising events.
- Replacement of traditional government services or employee wages/salaries.
- Funding on continuous/duplicate basis.

The AMFA Educational Trust is interested in funding initiatives that:

- Expose youth to career opportunities in manufacturing
- Expose parents/teachers/influencers to career opportunities in manufacturing
- Impact/create a favorable perception of the manufacturing industry
- Increase the supply of skilled labor for manufacturers in the region
- Feed the pipeline for manufacturing-related technical education, including high school technical education equipment, curriculum, supplies/materials, field trips and competitions.

SELECTION PROCESS

Eligible proposals will be reviewed by the AMFA-ET Board of Directors on a biannual basis. The applicant may be asked to field questions in a personal meeting or conference call.

Applications Accepted	Review Date	Funds Released
January 1 – February 29	Mid-March	April
March 1 – April 30	Mid-May	June
May 1 – June 30	Mid-July	August
July 1 – August 31	Mid-September	October
September 1 – October 31	Mid-November	December
November 1 – December 31	Mid-January	February

FINAL REPORT

By accepting grant funds from AMFA-ET, you agree to:

1. Provide a final status report, including project photos approved for release per your school/company policy, within 90 days of completion of the project/event. Send to: Info@MidwestManufacturers.com
2. Acknowledge AMFA-ET as a project funding source in all relevant press releases, announcements, articles, etc. In addition, AMFA-ET stickers will be used for promotion as appropriate.

I acknowledge reading the AMFA ET grant parameters. Name _____

Organization: _____ Initials _____ Date _____

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