

# 2021 Lean into Learning

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## *Innovative Technology Education Fund*

### *Qualifying Information*

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The Innovative Technology Education Fund's Lean into Learning grant supports innovative approaches to teaching and learning through professional development. Innovation **requires fresh thinking**: a new possibility, opportunity or approach to learning and/or teaching that will inspire excitement and curiosity in your classroom or school. Successful LIL grants could reflect a willingness to go beyond a traditional conference.

**NOTE: Due to COVID-19, ITEF will not fund grants that require any out of state travel for educators in 2021.**

**NOTE: All PD must be completed by Dec 31, 2021.**

#### **Project Name\***

Name of Project.

*Character Limit: 100*

#### **School Zip Code\***

Please enter 5-digit zip code

#### **Please choose best description\***

##### **Choices**

Yes, we are an accredited public, private or parochial school in Missouri or Illinois.

No, we are not an accredited public, private or parochial school in Missouri or Illinois.

Yes, we are a licensed K-12 charter school in Missouri or Illinois for three years or more.

#### **Agreement Commitment\***

I agree to complete and submit my feedback to ITEF **within 14 days** of completing my PD. I understand failure to comply removes me from eligibility for a PD grant in the following year. My feedback will include a) my key learnings; b) how the experience will impact my pedagogy; c) whether this experience should be recommended for other educators.

##### **Choices**

Yes, I agree to comply with the feedback requirements.

No, I do not agree to comply with the feedback requirements.

## Application

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### Name of School and District\*

*Character Limit: 100*

### Name of Lead Educator\*

List the following:

1. First and last name
2. Role/title
3. School email address
4. Preferred summer email address
5. Preferred phone number

*Character Limit: 2500*

### Professional Development Selection\*

What type of professional development are you selecting? Check all that apply.

#### Choices

- Attend an online conference or training
- Bring an expert to your school or district
- Collaborative work session
- Visit a Saint Louis metro school

### Professional Development Selection\*

Why did you select this professional development experience?

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Successful PD grants reflect creativity, expand an educator's knowledge and include at least one educator peer with whom the experience can be shared. ITEF believes sharing the PD experience expands thinking and increases the synergy and exploration.

### Bringing PD to your School or District\*

We are bringing an expert to our school or district.

#### Choices

- Yes, we are bringing an expert.
- No, we are not bringing an expert.

### Preparation for Bringing PD to your School or District

1. Who is the expert(s) you are inviting? List name, title, professional affiliation.
2. What is the date of your event?
3. How many people will be invited?
4. Where is the venue for the speaker?

5. What is the venue address? Does the venue accommodate social distancing if needed?
6. Is the expert you are inviting to facilitate your PD available to present online?
7. How will your district support this plan?

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### Attending a Professional Development Experience

List the name of the Saint Louis metro conference or event or virtual conference you wish to attend. Where and when is it occurring?

**Include website links** to the conference, school or other relevant information if available.

What?

Where?

When?

**List the date your professional development experience begins and the date it ends. Your PD must be completed by 12/31/2021.**

*Character Limit: 2500*

### Professional Development Participation

If you are attending a Saint Louis metro conference, event or visiting a school, or virtual conference/event, who from your district or school will also be in attendance? List their name(s) and role(s).

*Character Limit: 1500*

### Innovative Approach to Teaching\*

How does this professional development experience support an innovative approach to teaching?

*Character Limit: 1500*

### Sharing Learnings with Peers\*

How will you share your learning with other educators and colleagues?

*Character Limit: 1500*

### Professional Development Expenses\*

List all expenses associated with your experience. State specific costs with links, quotes, etc where possible when listing fees, honorariums, etc. **State a total \$ amount for your request.** *Your PD request MUST NOT exceed \$4000 per application.*

*Character Limit: 2500*

### Innovator Grant Application\*

Will you apply for an Innovator grant in the upcoming grant cycle?

#### Choices

Yes, I will apply.

No, I will not apply.

### **Letter of Recommendation\***

You must upload a letter of recommendation from a school administrator that demonstrates you have their support to participate in this professional development experience.

*File Size Limit: 2 MB*

*Thank you for your interest.*

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Thank you for your interest in the Lean into Learning program.

Thank you for your interest but you do not qualify for this grant at this time.