



### **Learning Forward Affiliate Grant**

The purpose of this grant is to provide a Learning Forward affiliate organization with the opportunity to further their work within their respective state/province. Many affiliates want to provide more programming to fulfill Learning Forward's purpose within schools and regions of their state/province. This grant provides funding to allow an affiliate to create or expand their outreach thus enhancing the focus on professional learning that improves student achievement. The affiliate that receives this grant should be able to expand their work and extend their networking opportunities within their state/region/province.

**\*\*Important: This grant is available only to officially recognized Learning Forward state, regional, or provincial affiliate organizations. Contact Jody Wood at [Jwood23@slu.edu](mailto:Jwood23@slu.edu) if confirmation is needed. See <http://www.learningforward.org/about/affiliates.cfm> for more information about affiliates.\*\***

### **Requirements of Grant or Scholarship**

The Affiliate Grant recipient will be required to complete the application, which describes a multi-year (two to three year) learning experience focusing on the implementation of Learning Forward's definition of professional learning. Within the application, the affiliate must complete the action plan including specific steps, timeline, responsible persons, resources needed, and anticipated results. Applicants will also complete a full budget template to explain the amount needed and the expected expenditures. Please explain how these expenditures align with the outlined multi-year experience. The affiliate should review the statement of commitment, which includes submission of biannual reports due at the summer and annual conferences and a summative evaluation based on evidence collected throughout the grant period. The affiliate will need to maintain regular communication with the grant representative from the Learning Forward Foundation and submit photos and updates on a regular basis throughout the life of the grant.

## **Length of Grant and Foundation Support**

This grant funds a multi-year project. The grant period should be two to three years. The amount will be \$10,000.

## **Selection Process**

Learning Forward Foundation Board members will read and score the applications received using the rubric attached. The Foundation will contact the applicant with the highest score to award the grant.

## **Evaluation**

The Foundation requires a summative evaluation based on evidence collected throughout the grant process. At the conclusion of the grant, an evaluation committee representative will conduct a final evaluation through a face-to-face meeting with the recipient.

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