

## Ohio STEM Learning Network STEM Classroom Grant Program

### 2025 – 2026 Application Preview

This document is a preview only. To access the application when it opens on July 29, go to:  
<https://www.cybergrants.com/battelle/OSLN>

**Required:** Each applicant must use or create an individual account in the grant portal to submit an application.

### Applicant Information

Have you or your school ever received funding from OSLN or Battelle? If so, provide a brief description of the funds received. (500 characters max)

Have you previously participated/are you currently participating in an OSLN program? If so, which programs? (e.g., Code.org, Innovative Leaders Institute, Fostering STEM Institute, Ohio Teacher Academy, Ohio Statewide Design Challenge, Ohio STEM Innovation Summit, etc.)

At OSLN, we believe that strong STEM pedagogy includes authentic problem-based learning and design thinking. It requires an integrated, innovative curriculum that prepares all students with the skills and mindsets to pursue college and/or a career in STEM. How would you rate your current involvement with STEM?

- (1) Beginner – I’m brand new to STEM teaching and learning
- (3) Explorer – I’ve started implementing STEM strategies
- (5) Champion – I’m a seasoned STEM educator who trains others in STEM strategies

### School Information

School Name (this should be your specific school, not your full district)

Street Address

City

State (This grant is only for schools located in Ohio)

Zip Code

County

Website

A public-private partnership of:



Department of  
Education &  
Workforce

NCES District ID (lookup [here](#))

School IRN (lookup [here](#))

Is your school public or private? (This grant is only for public schools)

Is your school an Ohio STEM or STEAM Designated School (or equivalent)? (a full list of currently designated schools is available on the [OSLN website](#))

Select the statement that best describes your school:

- We integrate STEM across all aspects of our school.
- We have strong STEM programming within our school but do not currently embed STEM across all aspects of our school design.
- We are new to STEM and looking for ways to expand our STEM opportunities for students.
- No organized STEM effort.

Which OSLN Hub is your school connected with? If your school isn't connected, please select the Regional Hub that serves your county based on [this map](#).

## School Demographics

Is your school at Title 1 School?

What is the percentage of free and reduced lunch eligibility at your school?

Which best describes your school's community? (select one):

Rural, Small Town, Suburban, Urban

Provide a short narrative about the student demographics at your school. (500 characters max)

## Proposal Information

Project Title: What is the name of your proposed project? We encourage you to be creative! (50 characters max)

Project Start and End Dates: Projects must be implemented within the current school year.

Project Statement: In a clear and concise manner, describe your project in 1-2 sentences. (500 characters max)

Project Narrative: Provide a short narrative describing the project, what you hope it will accomplish, and a brief implementation timeline. (2,500 characters max)

Culture for Learning: Briefly describe how your project will build a culture of STEM in your classroom. (1,200 characters max)

Learning and Teaching: Explain how your proposed project will embed any of the following Learning and Teaching strategies: Integrating Academic Disciplines; Problem or Project Based Learning, Design Thinking; Using Modern Technologies to solve real problems; and/or Personalized Learning. (1,200 characters max)

Pathways to Success in STEM Careers: Explain how your proposed project will provide age-appropriate opportunities for students to learn about real STEM/STEAM careers and how their classroom learning connects to these fields. Priority consideration will be given to projects with real-world partnerships or community learning experiences connecting classroom learning to local needs. (1,200 characters max)

How many students will the project serve?

What grade levels are involved in the project?

How will your project expand participation in STEM learning opportunities to those who may have had fewer opportunities in the past? (1,200 characters max)

## Student Learning Outcomes

What are the anticipated student learning outcomes for your project? (1,200 characters max)

How will you assess if your intended outcomes were met? (1,200 characters max)

## Budget

What is the amount of grant funds being requested? **\$2,500** or **\$5,000**

Budget Narrative: Briefly explain the items and quantities (where applicable) that you plan to purchase with the funds. (1,200 characters max)

Example 1: I plan to purchase 5 iPads for classroom use, 1 weather station, and 20 weather science kits.

Example 2: I plan to purchase 10 backpacks and a variety of materials like stickers, blocks, balloons, and duct tape to stock the STEM Backpacks.

Example 3: I plan to purchase a variety of STEM items for our library STEM corner such as K'NEX, LEGO, Magna-Tiles, and Brackitz.

Budget Template: Download and complete the [Budget Template](#), then upload as an **Excel** file.

*Note: Budgets must outline all the funding requested. For example: If you request \$2,500 in funding but only outline \$2,200 on the budget, we are unable to process this application, and it will be disqualified.*

*Item costs may be estimated when necessary. Applications that fail to use the proper template or upload a blank document will be disqualified.*

*Name your Excel file as follows: Budget\_ProjectTitle (e.g., Budget\_Sequatchie River Water Study).*

## Fiscal Agent: School District Information

***This will be the payment information used for programs that are funded.***

District Name

District Office Street Address

District Office City

District Office State

District Office Zip Code

Contact name and email address of the grant manager, treasurer, or financial officer responsible for grant funding at your school's district office.

## W9 and Payment Information

***A completed IRS Form W9 for the Fiscal Agent (School District) must be submitted with this application. Line 1 must list the legal name of the public school district. Incomplete forms will not be accepted.***

Is the W9 signed and dated within the past 12 months? If not, please obtain a signed and correctly dated W9 and return to the application.

What is the Employer Identification Number listed in Part 1 of the W9?

What is the organization name listed in Line 1 of the W9? This must match IRS records for the EIN number. Checks are only made out to public school districts (not the school itself) unless special arrangements have been made.

Upload a copy of the W9.

## Terms and Conditions

1. Should I be awarded a grant, I agree to fully expend the grant funds as outlined in the submitted proposal by June 1, 2026. I understand that any purchases not outlined in the proposal must be approved by Battelle prior to purchasing.
2. Should I be awarded a grant, I agree that everything purchased with the grant funds is to become property of the school and must stay with the school even if the individual who requested the grant departs.
3. Should I be awarded a grant, I agree to submit a Student Impact Report on or before June 30, 2026. I understand that this report must include how the funds were used, a brief description of the project's implementation and outcomes, the number of educators and students served, and at least one photograph.
4. Should I be awarded a grant, I give the Ohio STEM Learning Network and Battelle permission to use all information in the submitted proposal as well as photographs, logos, published/printed information, and any other information related to this grant and how the funds were spent in press releases, on their website, and/or in publications both in print and online.
5. I understand that awards must be made to an organization or fiscal agent that is tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Service code 501(c)(3) or a governmental entity. Awards will not be made to individuals. All grant award checks will be issued and mailed directly to the respective **School District Office**. In cases where multiple awards are granted within a district, a letter detailing the allocation of individual grant amounts will accompany the disbursement.

## Conclusion

How did you hear about this grant program? Email, colleague, social media, OSLN event, other.

Would you like to sign up for our newsletters and receive notifications of other STEM opportunities in your area?

How would you rate this online application system?

Provide any feedback you may have regarding the online application.