



The WEDF is proud to partner with the Grafton Hillers Organization to offer mini-grants to Worcester Public Schools athletic team coaches and physical education teachers for the 2012-2013 school year. These grants are generously funded by the Grafton Hillers Organization in memory of the late *Kevin D. Lyons*.

Summary

The Worcester Educational Development Foundation, Inc. (WEDF), founded to improve educational opportunities for the students and teachers in the Worcester Public Schools, announces the availability of funds to support Mini-Grants for Athletic Coaches and Physical Education Teachers.

Eligibility

Any athletic coach in the district may apply for a grant of up to \$500 to help defray costs associated with running or organizing a sports team and any gym teachers in the district may apply for a grant up to \$250 to support health and wellness activities/curriculum, and or the physical education curriculum.

Fund Use

Funds may be used for uniforms, equipment, transportation costs, or any other expense that directly benefits student athletes, health and wellness activities/curriculum, and/or the physical education curriculum. Funds may not be used for stipends or salary for Worcester Public Schools personnel or for non Worcester Public School personnel acting in a coaching capacity.

Application

A cover page and two-page application are required and must be signed or approved via email by the building principal or immediate supervisor. Attachments, including cover letters, are not allowed and will automatically disqualify applicants. All applicants must complete a Grant Development Form found on WEDF's website accessed through Community on the WPS website.

Applications may be emailed or delivered to:

WEDF, Inc.

Attn: Sports/Physical Education Mini-Grants

210 Park Avenue, Suite 224

Worcester, MA 01609

WEDFWPS@gmail.com

Awards

Awards will be determined by a broad-based review committee and based on the need identified. Priority will be given to proposals that help defray costs to student Athletes and their families, and/or align with WPS/MA DESE Physical Education Curriculum Frameworks.

Timeline

Application Deadline: **Friday, November 2, 2012**

Assistance/Questions

Contact: **Michael P. Lyons at LyonsM@worc.k12.ma.us**

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