

THE GRANT CONNECTION

WELCOME BACK! We hope you had a relaxing and safe summer. For those of you who are new to the Manatee County School District, we welcome you and invite you to check out our grant resources.

Some back to school reminders: if you or your school is writing a grant, please make sure that a *Grant Application Form* (GAF) (<http://act.manateeschools.net/documents/grants/GAF%20-%202010.pdf>) is completed and sent back to us at the School Support Center. It is critical to know what everyone is doing so that we can build upon existing grant opportunities, and learn about successful programs and grant applications.

Also, our **Grant Guru Program** is up and running. You could be the next one to get one of our little treats! Just let us know that you are writing grants and send in your GAF!

Thank you for all that you are doing for our students!



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First Class: The Grant Connection ■ *Grant Resources* on the Intranet

Here are a few upcoming opportunities, free resources, and award programs. Please let us know how we can help you apply for any of these sources. Don't forget to check out The Grant Connection for other funding opportunities, related articles, and tips.

SCOTCH BRAND AND CARSON-DELLOSA PUBLISHING, LLC

Purpose: Scotch Brand and Carson-Dellosa Publishing, LLC are inviting K-12 teachers to enter their Create, Decorate, Motivate Classroom Sweepstakes.

Awards: There will be 25 grand prize winners, each receiving a \$300 gift certificate for the purchase of Carson-Dellosa products and a \$200 gift pack of 3M Scotch products.

Deadline: September 30, 2011

Contact: <http://www.carsondellosa.com/cd2/contest/sweepvideo.html>

CVS CAREMARK COMMUNITY GRANTS

Purpose: One of the focus areas is public schools for children with disabilities that promote a greater level of inclusion in student activities and extracurricular programs. Proposed programs must be fully inclusive where children with disabilities are full participants in an early childhood, adolescent or teenage program alongside their typically developing peers.

Awards: \$5,000.00

Deadline: October 31, 2011

Contact: <http://info.cvscaremark.com/community/our-impact/community-grants>

BJ'S CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Purpose: "Support will be given to nonprofits that provide academic and vocational opportunities for the disadvantaged. These programs include the purchase of supplies for literacy skills, mentoring, tutoring and career development."

Eligibility: Public School, Private/Charter School, Higher Education

Amount: \$1,000 to \$15,000

Deadline: October 7, 2011

Contact: http://www.bjs.com/bjs-charitable-foundation.content.about_charitable.A.about_community2

AROUND THE BEND NATURE TOURS – A POSSIBLE GRANT PARTNER!

Around the Bend Nature Tours is pleased to announce that they are now a Business Partner with the Curriculum Team of the Manatee County School Board. Around the Bend can work with you on developing a field trip grant such as Target or the Southwest Florida Water Management Splash! school grant (due September 2).

Contact: <http://www.aroundbend.com/>

ADOPT-A-CLASSROOM

Purpose: This non-profit organization partners donors with teachers/classrooms. By registering, the classroom will be posted on the Adopt-A-Classroom website available for donors to select. When adopted, the teacher will have full discretion to purchase items for classroom needs through a list of approved vendors.

Contact: <http://www.adoptaclassroom.org>

TARGET FIELD TRIP GRANTS

Purpose: This program provides funds for K-12 field trips.

Amount: \$700.00 each

Deadline: Online applications must be submitted by October 3, 2011

Contact: <https://targetfieldtripgrants.target.com/register.php>

Note: Types of eligible trips include art, science, and cultural museum visits; community service and civic projects; career enrichment opportunities; and other events or activities away from the school facility. Funds may be used to cover trip-related costs such as transportation, ticket fees, food, resource materials, and supplies. *Idea! Around the Bend Nature Tours aligns with core standards and includes transportation. Karen Fraley is well-versed in grant writing and can help.* Karen@aroundbend.com

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“Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.” ~ Theodore Roosevelt

