

# DEQ Environmental Education Grant Guidelines

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) seeks to encourage teachers and youth leaders to develop effective environmental education programs, environmental projects and/or strategies by offering yearly environmental education grants.

## Grant Requirements

Applicants must be an Oklahoma teacher, public or private (preschool-12<sup>th</sup> grade), school environmental club, youth group leader, and/or organization with a youth component to apply for the grant.

The proposed project must:

- have an environmental education focus
- include direct student involvement
- contain clear ties to classroom learning objectives or state curriculum standards
- be completed by the end of the next school year.

Additional suggestions:

- community collaboration is strongly encouraged

## Frequently Asked Questions

- **When are grant applications due?**  
All applications are due by December 1, 2023
- **What amount of funding can we request?**  
This year, the maximum amount you can apply for is \$1,500 and the minimum is \$200.
- **Do I have to be a school to apply for the grant?**  
Any organization, community group, nature center, museum, school, etc. that is based in Oklahoma and that involves youth in environmental and/or conservation education is welcome to apply for this grant.
- **When will funds be awarded?**  
If your application is successful, you can expect to receive a check by February.