



## Robin Appleford Enrichment Fund Grant Criteria

PIE uses the following criteria when evaluating Appleford grant proposals:

1. **Innovation and Creativity** – Proposals should introduce innovative materials or methods which enhance the learning experience in a creative manner. PIE is enthusiastic about new ways to explore student engagement, leadership and active participation in the school community and island community at large. PIE is particularly interested in ideas and materials that support student-led and student-run groups directly.

2. **Educational Value** – Proposals should directly affect the educational process by focusing on projects and ideas that deepen learning in the following arenas.

Civics & Community, including ideas that expand learning in areas such as:

- government
- voting
- social justice
- community activism
- communications

Environment & Ecosystems, including ideas that promote and educate youth in:

- The protection, care and well-being of natural systems on Vashon and beyond
- Sustainability of natural resources
- Ecology
- Animal welfare

3. **Need** – Proposals should address a recognized need. For example, an underserved segment of the student body, unaddressed but meaningful subject areas, or materials and equipment which unambiguously improve the educational experience.

4. **Impact** – Proposals which impact a large number of students or have multiple year longevity are preferred.

5. **Presentation** – Proposals are judged on their focus and clarity.

The following is a list of items P.I.E. generally does not fund:

- salaries
- refreshments
- travel (field trips DO NOT fall under this category)
- furniture