



Vashon Partners in Education
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Dear Vashon Teachers and Staff Members,

On behalf of Vashon Partners in Education (PIE), we would like to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year. We continue our strong commitment to you, your colleagues and the students of Vashon Island by again offering grant monies to enhance learning opportunities in the Vashon public schools. Grant application materials are available online at www.VashonPie.org.

It's time for our annual Fall granting cycle! In the past, PIE has had one deadline for fall grants, at the beginning of October. Since we are entering uncharted territory this school year, we know that there will be unanticipated needs arising as the year progresses. *In response to this, the PIE board is setting up to review grant proposals monthly; once in September, once in October, and once in November.*

The first grant deadline is set for September 15th, 2020. We have a new online application which we hope will make applying easier and less paper intensive. You will need to fill out your application by September 15th, and it will automatically be sent to your school principal, who will need to sign it before September 20th. Please give us feedback as to how this new grant application process works for you this year. Our goal is to be nimble and responsive to your needs.

The additional grant deadlines will be October 15th, and November 15th. We may also have a Spring grant cycle, depending on availability of funds.

We welcome applications for individual classroom grants, grade-wide, school-wide and district-wide programs. In selecting projects to support, PIE evaluates applications based upon the following criteria:

1. Educational value
2. Innovative/Creative projects
3. Need
4. Impact (the number of students and the period of time they will be benefited)
5. Presentation (clarity and legibility) of the application

For previous grant recipients: We also consider whether you met the deadlines for grant spending and completing the required evaluation form.

Technology grant requests must be accompanied by the "Technology Grant Addendum" which requires review by the district technology department. You will find the addendum included in the online application.

You are required to spend any grant monies awarded by January 31, 2021 unless you make special arrangements with PIE in advance.

If you have questions, or would like further help with your application, please contact:

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Thank you for your continued interest and support of PIE.

Sincerely yours,

Karen Boyle
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