

A4LE ALASKA TRANSFORMATIONS GRANT APPLICATION

The Alaska Chapter of the Association for Learning Environments (A4LE) is pleased to accept submissions of applications for grant funding for design and construction projects that transform Alaskan educational environments and promote Alaska student involvement through hands-on learning in school planning, design and construction projects. The total grant amount will not exceed \$4,000.00 and may, at the Evaluation Committee's discretion, be awarded to a single recipient or multiple recipients.

A4LE is a non-profit organization of professional educators, administrators, architects, engineers, planners, and school maintenance experts. We are dedicated to improving the built environment by making schools high quality community places for learning and teaching. Learn more about us at A4LE.org.

GRANT MISSION

The mission of this grant funding is two-fold and grant applications must demonstrate how the proposed project will address both of the stated objectives. The first is to improve the physical learning environment, particularly of existing facilities, to "transform" them into positive places for learning and teaching. The second objective is to engage students in the learning process using hands-on strategies in real-life settings that empower students in multiple ways.

GRANT SCHEDULE

Applications must be received **no later than 5:00 pm on April 16, 2019** to be considered.

- April 16, 2019: Deadline for submission of Applications.
- April 17, 2019 April 24, 2019: A4LE Evaluation Committee reviews applications; announces grant recipient(s).
- April 25, 2019 November 1, 2019: Project Implementation (specific project timeline shall be proposed by applicant)
- December 5, 2019: A4LE State Chapter Conference, project report and/or presentation by Grant Recipient.

GRANT APPLICATION EVALUATION CRITERIA

Applicants shall complete the attached general information form and provide supplementary information as the applicant sees appropriate to fully describe the project and address the evaluation criteria. The A4LE Evaluation Committee will review applications and award funding based on the applicant's response to these criteria:

- What are the educational goals, learning objectives, and expected outcomes for the project?
- How will students be involved in the planning and execution of the project?
- How will the grant funds be used?
- Describe the partnerships involved in your project. Will there be financial and/or in-kind contributions from businesses, volunteer efforts by families, and/or additional grants from other sources?

- How will you utilize mentors (eg. architects, engineers, contractors) to collaborate with students and demonstrate real-life applications of their work? What other methods will be used to help students understand the relevancy of the project to their other studies and to other aspects of their lives?
- Describe the final "product" that will be provided to A4LE upon completion of the project. This may include a report, presentation, or other demonstration of the successful completion of the project. For example, students who received a previous grant produced a video of the entire project and presented it at the annual Alaska Chapter A4LE conference (travel funding was provided by A4LE).

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

Applications may be submitted in a sealed envelope or via electronic transmission. The applicant is fully responsible for ensuring that the application is received by the A4LE person designated below by the application deadline of **5:00 pm on April 16, 2019.** It is suggested that the applicant confirm receipt of the application through telephone call or email.

Alaska Chapter Transformation Grant c/o Craig Fredeen, Past President Phone: (907)441-1567 <u>cfredeen@coldeng.com</u>

GRANT AWARD

Grant awards, including the amount of such awards, are at the sole discretion of A4LE. If awarded a grant, the school shall be bound to the terms of the grant agreement with the Alaska Chapter A4LE. A sample grant agreement is included at the end of this document for general reference.



TRANFORMATIONS GRANT GENERAL INFORMATION FORM

APPLICANT NAME (Contact Person for this application): AFFILIATION (School, Organization): _____ APPLICANT CONTACT INFO: PHONE: ______ EMAIL _____ LOCATION OF PROPOSED PROJECT: _____ DESRIBE THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT YOU PROPOSE TO WORK ON (facility type, how students and adults use it, what its educational mission/purpose is, etc.): SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PROJECT (Applicant should attach more detailed information about the project to address the evaluation criteria) PROJECT SCHEDULE (start, milestones, completion): _____ FUNDING AMOUNT REQUESTED: _____

PLEASE ATTACH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS NEEDED TO DESCRIBE YOUR PROJECT.



TRANFORMATIONS GRANT GRANT AGREEMENT

This agreement is between _____, grant recipient, and

Alaska Chapter of the Association for Learning Environments, represented by its Past President,

_____ for a financial award in the sum of \$ ______.

| The grant recipient shall use funds | provided by A4LE for the grant project | ect described in the attached |
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| application and project description. | The project shall be completed by | (date). |

Grant funds shall be distributed in the form of a check to: _____

whose address is _____

The grant recipient shall submit an accounting of all expenses of the project, noting grant funds and inkind services, as appropriate to the project. If grant recipient is unable to fulfill the project described in the application, then all of the funds will be returned to the Alaska Chapter of the Association for Learning Environments.

Agreed to

by ____

(Grant Recipient)

date _____

AND

(A4LE AK Chapter Past President)

date _____