

A4LE Central Texas Chapter Educator Grant Award

Overview:

The A4LE Central Texas Chapter Educator Grant is a competitive, need-based grant program designed for current educators who desire financial support to help the betterment of their learning space.

The Grant will be allocated to a recipient who is an educator in a school district in the Central Texas area which currently has a member in A4LE. The method for the selection of the recipient to receive the Grant shall be at the discretion of the Central Texas Chapter Board.

Scholarship Award:

Up to two (2) educators will be selected as the recipients of a \$1,500 Scholarship (up to \$3,000 total awarded).

A4LE:

The Association for Learning Environments (A4LE) was first established in 1921 as the National Council on Schoolhouse Construction (NCSC), changing to its current name in 2015. A4LE is a non-profit, interdisciplinary association of professionals working at the intersection of learning and place to drive the evolution of learning environments in order to improve the places where people learn.

A4LE is a diverse community made up of nearly every discipline involved in school planning, construction, and maintenance. From product suppliers to architects in the field, to school district facilities superintendents, we work to serve the needs of this profession.

A4LE is seen as the foremost resource for planning, design, construction, and operation of learning environments and recognized for its knowledge, essential training, accreditation, and certification. As a result, A4LE membership has expanded throughout the world to include more than 5,400 professionals with one single goal - to build healthy, safe, and resilient 21st century learning environments.

The mission of the Association is to continually seek out best practices in creating quality learning environments for students. It is A4LE members who lead the educational facility planning profession towards a new vision based on innovation and discovery.

Requirements:

Educators must submit all required submission forms and essay by 5:00 PM on November 17, 2023. All applications must be emailed to donna@a4le.org with the title "CTX Educator Grant (your name)". No paper submissions will be accepted.

Qualifications:

1. The candidate shall be a current educator with a classroom or learning space.
2. The candidate must be from a Central Texas School District which has a current member in A4LE. Applicants from the following School Districts are eligible:
 - a. Del Valle ISD, Dripping Springs ISD, Round Rock ISD, Leander ISD, Lake Travis ISD, Austin ISD, Hays CISD, Elgin ISD, Killeen ISD, Conroe ISD, Bryan ISD, Fort Bend ISD, Lorena ISD

Essay Information:

There has been increasing evidence that the design and condition of an educational facility has a significant impact on the quality of education and a student's ability to learn. **In 500 words or less**, please describe how you would use the Grant Award to help improve your learning space, and how this will directly impact your students' learning.

A4LE Central Texas Chapter Educator Grant Application

Please **type** or **print** your answers. If application is illegible, it will be returned to you.

1.	Last Name:	First Name:	
2.	Mailing Address:		
	Street: _____		
	City:	Postal Code:	
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: ()	Email:	
4.	Date of Birth: Month	Day	Year
5.	Current School:	Number of years employed:	
6.	Grades taught: _____		
	Subject(s) taught (if applicable): _____		
7.	Personal Essay Essay Subject: <i>“There has been increasing evidence that the design and condition of an educational facility has a significant impact on the quality of education and a student’s ability to learn. In 500 words or less, please describe how you would use the Grant Award to help improve your learning space, and how this will directly impact your students’ learning.”</i>		
8.	The following items must be attached to this application in order for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the scholarship committee. Circle “Yes” or “No” to be sure you have attached each item required. Yes / No Completed signed application form (this form) Yes / No Personal Essay (500 words maximum)		