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A Prescription for Education

The federal Stimulus Bill is directed at a revitalization opportunity for academic enrichment including tutorial services to help students – particularly those who attend low-performing schools – to meet state and local student-performance standards in core academic subjects. These areas are designated as symptomatic weaknesses in the struggling body of American education.

Pitsco Education, LEGO Education, and Hearlihy are educational EMTs based on the objectives enunciated by a variety of leaders toward healing an ailing education body. The learning environment created by the Missions, Modules, Suites, and CareerPorts curricula is the remedy at the forefront of the most recent research. In addition, our robotics and Algebra programs are transfusions to revitalize the energy to drive that body.

We must also consider revitalizing certain processes and information. In the future we will provide more details to assist you in recognizing grant openings and provide better information on the availability and deadlines for education grants. This additional information is provided with the grant leads that follow. Included in this issue is a National Science Foundation offering sent to me by Kristie Brown that would be a perfect fit for a variety of our products. Thank you, Kristie.

Carl Perkins Act

The purpose of the federal Perkins Act is to prepare a workforce with the academic and vocational skills needed to compete successfully in a world market. According to the National Assessment of Vocational Education study, the most frequent uses of funds include curriculum materials for learning labs and curriculum development or modification. These basic grants are given to states according to a formula based on states' populations in certain age groups and their per capita income. The statute strongly encourages eligible organizations to collaborate with school districts when applying for funds. Essentially, all funds are handed down from the feds to the states and then to the local education agencies.

Application Deadline: Varies from state to state

Grant Amount: Varies

Expected Distribution: October to February

More information: <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OVAE/CTE/perkins.html>

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National Science Foundation

Targeted Partnerships focus on studying and solving teaching and learning issues within a specific grade range or at a critical juncture in education, and/or within a specific disciplinary focus in mathematics or the sciences.

MSP-Start Partnerships are for awardees new to the MSP program, especially from minority-serving institutions, community colleges, and primarily undergraduate institutions, to support the necessary data analysis, project design, evaluation, and team-building activities needed to develop a full MSP Targeted or Institute Partnership.

Application Deadline: August 20, 2009

Grant Amount: Varies

Expected Distribution: Within 90 days

More information: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2009/nsf09507/nsf09507.htm>.

ADC Foundation

The ADC Foundation makes direct grants to two strategic focus areas: mathematics/science education and nonprofit access to technology. Grants are made to organizations whose primary mission impacts K-12 or higher education for projects where the aim is systemic improvements in the teaching or learning of mathematics and science or enhancements to the “pipeline” for the preparation of students for work in technology-oriented industry.

Application Deadline: Open

Grant Amount: Board meets quarterly to approve all grants over \$25,000

Expected Distribution: Quarterly

More information: <http://www.adc.com/aboutadc/adcfoundation/>

Braitmayer Foundation

The Braitmayer Foundation is interested in K-12 education throughout the United States. Of particular interest are curricular and school reform initiatives.

Application Deadlines: Fall grant cycle application due Nov. 15 (summer cycle deadline has passed)

Grant Amount: \$10,000-\$35,000

Expected Distribution: March 2010

More information: <http://www.braitmayerfoundation.org/>

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Hilton Hotels Foundation

This foundation supports K- 12 education and leans toward science. Most charitable giving interests are focused in areas involving K-12 Education programs and youth programs.

Application Deadline: Ongoing

Grant Amount: \$2,000-\$10,000

Expected Distribution: September, December, March, June

More information: <http://www.flaghouse.com/hiltonSupport.html>

Teacher's Pet

(grant tip geared specifically toward teachers' smaller projects)

Adopt-a-Classroom

Teachers will receive \$500 worth of credit to purchase items that enrich the learning environment, including classroom technology.

Application Deadline: Varies (summer most advantageous)

Grant Amount: \$500

Expected Distribution: Varies

More information: <http://www.adoptaclassroom.com>