

# Funder Researcher Report: Department of Education

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## Mission

ED's mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access. This is achieved through providing funding for organizations and programs that focus on:

- Establishing policies on federal financial aid for education, and distributing as well as monitoring those funds.
- Collecting data on America's schools and disseminating research.
- Focusing national attention on key educational issues.
- Prohibiting discrimination and ensuring equal access to education.

## Grants Offered

ED.gov provides resources for all aspects of the educational experience. There is information for students, parents, educators, and administrators. The grants they offer provide funding for a wide variety of educational endeavors. They include:

- Recreation Programs
- Early Reading Programs
- Special Teaching Initiatives
- Drug Prevention & Safer Schools
- Minority Education

*To access the grant opportunities available through the Department of Education go to:  
[www.ED.gov](http://www.ED.gov)*

## Eligibility

Eligibility requirements will vary by grant. Most grant applications will require that the applicant is a non-profit organization, and must provide a tax identification number to prove this status. Other examples of qualifications:

- Public School Systems
- Specific Age Groups
- Measureable Impact on Community

The best way to find a grant that you qualify for is to use the "Grants to apply for" tab, and then specify your qualifications. There are a wide variety of grants so there is probably something for any organization focusing on education.

## Application Method

Grants can be selected and applied for directly through the ED.gov website. Some grants will require additional information to be sent with the application.

## Recommendation

I would recommend using ED.gov to search for grants for any group seeking funding for an education focused non-profit, or any schools seeking funding for a special project use. There is such a large amount of grants available and wide variety that there is surely something for each group that meets the two basic requirements of education based and non-profit.