

Friends of the North Fork & White Rivers

Watershed Education Grant Program

About the Watershed Education Grant Program

Friends of the North Fork and White Rivers (FNFWRivers) is dedicated to protecting and enhancing the water quality, natural beauty, and ecological health of the North Fork and White River watersheds through education, stewardship, and community engagement.

The Watershed Education Grant Program supports educators who inspire students to explore, understand, and care for the rivers, streams, springs, forests, and wildlife that make our region unique. Grant funding is available for hands-on projects that connect students to their local watershed and encourage lifelong environmental stewardship.

Eligible applicants include educators serving students within the North Fork and White River watershed in north-central Arkansas. This includes schools and educational programs located in Baxter, Boone, Fulton, Independence, Izard, Marion, Newton, Searcy, and Stone counties in Arkansas. If you are unsure whether your school or organization is within the watershed area, please contact FNFWRivers before applying.

Eligible Applicants

- Public and private schools
- Homeschool cooperatives
- Early childhood education programs
- Nonprofit educational organizations
- Teachers, librarians, administrators, conservation educators

Eligible Project Examples

- Outdoor classrooms
- Native plant or pollinator gardens
- Water quality monitoring equipment
- Stream ecology/macrobenthos studies
- Watershed models and educational materials
- Environmental field trips
- Habitat restoration
- Rain gardens
- Tree planting
- River and stream cleanups
- Environmental education programs

Ineligible Expenses

- Salaries or stipends
- Fundraising
- General operating expenses
- Construction projects
- Completed project

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Grant Application

Applicant Name: _____

School/Organization: _____

School District: _____

Position/Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Principal/Supervisor: _____

Grade Level(s): _____

Number of Students Impacted: _____

Project Title: _____

Grant Amount Requested: _____

Project Dates: _____

School/Community: _____

County: _____

Project Summary

Describe the project and how it engages students in watershed education (250–300 words).

Need Statement

Why is this project needed?

Educational Objectives

List 3–5 measurable learning objectives.

Student Engagement

Describe hands-on student participation.

Watershed Connection

Explain how the project increases understanding of the North Fork and White River watershed.

Community Partnerships

Describe partner organizations or volunteers.

Evaluation

How will success be measured?

Long-Term Impact

How will benefits continue after the grant?

Budget

Item	Cost
Total Requested	\$

Certification

I certify that the information provided is accurate and that any awarded funds will be used solely for the purposes described.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Principal/Administrator _____ Date _____

Submit application to:

Friends of the North Fork & White Rivers

PO Box 61, Mountain Home, Ar 72654

Or: friendsoftherivers22@gmail.com