

Fall 2026 Co-Curricular Grants Guidelines and Requirements



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These grants provide financial support for PPS co-curricular activities and recognize that these activities nurture a sense of belonging, engagement, skill building, and improved student attendance. They are often joyful parts of school with deep learning and powerful team building.

Who can apply:

- PPS staff who are club or activity advisors (Pre-K - PAE)
- Other PPS staff who have a direct connection to a co-curricular activity
- PPS students in leadership roles in PPS clubs or activities, with a staff sponsor (a co-curricular advisor, school principal, or assistant principal)

Allowable expenses:

- Materials or equipment
- Food, such as snacks or for parties
- Transportation or travel
- Registration fees
- Publicizing your co-curricular activity
- Efforts to make the activities more inclusive
- Paying outside speakers or partners for activities
- Other: explain what you need!

Non-allowable expenses:

- Payments to support existing activities that are managed by external parties (such as amazing groups like Portland Community Squash or the Telling Room)
- Stipends for paying advisors or students to participate
- Funds for sports teams

How much money can we apply for?

- We encourage you to apply for what you believe you will need and clearly explain why

- We will have a limited amount of funds, so grants are likely to range from \$100 to \$1000
- If we receive a large number of applicants, some grants will likely be partially funded.

Updates for the 2026-27 school year:

- We will send funds paying for outside experts or contracted services to PPS Finance to deposit into your school's contracted services account, instead of your school's activity account. We will send regular grant funds to your school's activity accounts, as usual.
- Please review your grant proposal with your school's principal or the appropriate co-curricular activity leaders before applying. Proposals cannot be accepted without their review and incorporated feedback.

Reporting Expectations:

All grant recipients are *required* to submit a co-curricular final grant report by the end of the school year. If your club received a co-curricular grant in a previous year, please make sure we have a completed final report *before* submitting another application. [Co-Curricular Grant final report form](#).

All recipients of an FPPS grant agree to the following:

- Provide photos, videos, stories, or other documentation sharing the impact of the grant.
 - These photos are used to share the impact of the co-curricular grant program in newsletters, social media, and/or fundraising efforts.
 - We are seeking photos of students engaged in activities. We do not need images of books or materials without students in them.
 - All images of students require signed media consent forms that are on file with the school.

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