

Innovation Grant

ULEAD

Education Innovation Program and Grants

Under [House Bill \(H.B\) 386: Education Innovation Program](#) (Utah State Legislature), individual classrooms can apply to their Local Education Agency (LEA) to approve an alternative classroom schedule or alternative curriculum and award up to \$5,000 per class for the school year. All approvals are done at the local level, however; ULEAD can assist in developing a monitoring plan and collects evidence concerning the innovation after the class is complete. ULEAD can assist those applying to their LEA to formulate their plan, can advise on monitoring components, and serves as a pass through for approved plans from the LEA to access the financial awards.

[Innovation Grant links and materials](#)

Alternative Curriculum

Alternative Curriculum means curriculum in one or more subject areas that is based on standards that are different than the standards adopted by the state board and applicable to the regular curriculum offered in the subject area(s) in the applicable school or LEA. In elementary school this includes English, mathematics, science, or history and social science. An innovation program application that proposes an alternative curriculum may include a proposal for a different curriculum or an innovative delivery of curriculum.

Field Work

I would like to use the grant to fund field work for my classes and/or for the school depending on allotment and approval. I believe that field work brings deeper understanding and engagement to learning. It also helps to reach all students, especially the ones that have low confidence in the classroom or low engagement. The data in my classroom proves my belief in field work, showing higher test scores and grades when fieldwork is part of the curriculum and lower behavior issues.

Field work both on campus and off campus, requires funding for transportation, materials, etc. The money from this grant will go to support increased fieldwork for the 2026-2027 school year.

Off Campus Field Work I have participated in during 2025-2026

6th Grade

- Bike Utah
- Women's Basketball Game
- Planet Walk
- Aviation at USU
- River Ecosystem Monitoring
- Benson Marina Kayaking and Ecosystem Monitoring Twice
- Ice Skating
- LHS Musical twice
- Bear River Bird Refuge
- First Dam
- International Guitar Night
- Falconer and Artist
- Trout Release
- First Dam Kayaking
- Field Day

4th Grade

- River Ecosystem Monitoring
- Benson Marina Kayaking
- Stokes Nature Center
- Bear River Bird Refuge
- Trout Release
- Field Day

5th Grade

- River Ecosystem Monitoring
- Benson Marina Kayaking
- Bear River Bird Refuge
- LHS Musical
- Bike Utah
- Grocery Store
- Trout Release
- Field Day

On Campus Field Work Examples

5th Grade

- Save Sam STEM Challenge
- Elephant Toothpaste
- Engineering Projects
- Plate Tectonics
- BARC visit
- Earthquake Table
- Erosion Table
- Clark Planetarium Visit
- Water Distribution Lab
- Sublimation Keychains
- Rockets - paper and canisters
- Copper Tape Circuits
- STEM Action Center chemistry visit
- Coordinate Plane Building
- Cooking in the Bistro
- Microscopes
- Mineral Identification
- 3-D Printing

6th Grade

- Boat STEM Challenge
- Save Same STEM Challenge
- Elephant Toothpaste
- BARC Visit
- Clark Planetarium Visit
- Sublimation Keychains
- Ocean Currents Lab
- Igloo Thermal Energy Lab
- Engineering Projects
- 3-D Printing
- Gravitational Force Lab
- Paper Rockets
- Moon Phases Lab
- GSL Labs

4th Grade

- Boat STEM Challenge
- Save Same STEM Challenge
- Elephant Toothpaste
- Clark Planetarium Visit
- Sublimation Keychains
- Dissecting Plants
- Owl Pellet Dissection
- Sea Turtle Hospital Video Call
- Fossil Lab
- Waves Lab
- BARC Visit
- Cup Phones
- Sundials
- Energy Transfer Machines
- Hotwheels Lab
- Copper Tape Circuits
- ESTITCH felt sewing circuits
- Loveland Living Planet Aquarium Visit
- 3-D Printing
- Paper Rockets