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“Helping Districts Improve Student Learning”

## SUPERINTENDENTS’ COUNCIL

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### REMINDER:

*All grant writing services are free for all members.*

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### GENERAL INFORMATION:

*Reminder to “like” our Facebook page for ongoing grant notifications.*

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### CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES:

#### Kansas Department of Health and Environment Waste Grant

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment is accepting applications for small grants to help schools reduce solid waste and increase their recycling. The department is taking applications online until Feb. 15. KDHE will award grants ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000 for projects that seek to reduce waste through education, composting and recycling. But the projects must be integrated into classroom instruction. The goal of the program is to teach students and school workers habits that can be applied in their homes or other places. For more information, visit [www.kdheks.gov/waste/about\\_grants.html](http://www.kdheks.gov/waste/about_grants.html)  
*Deadline February 15*

#### Captain Planet Foundation Grant

The mission of the Captain Planet Foundation is to fund and support hands-on, environmental projects for children and youths. The Foundation is interested in funding innovative programs that empower children and youth to work towards solving environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. All funded projects must involve young people ages 6-18 (elementary through high school). The foundation primarily makes grants to U.S.-based schools and organizations with an annual budget of less than \$3 million. Nonprofit organizations and public schools worldwide are eligible to apply for grants of \$250 to \$2,500. In order to be considered for funding, proposals must:

- Serve as a catalyst to getting environment-based education in schools, and
- Inspire youth and communities to participate in community service through environmental stewardship activities

Generally, the range of grants awarded by the Foundation is \$250 - \$2,500. Preferential consideration is given to requests seeking seed funding of \$500 or less and to applicants who have secured at least 50% matching or in-kind funding for their projects. (Projects with matching funds or in-kind support are given priority because external funding is a good indicator of the potential for long-term sustainability of the activities.) Captain Planet Foundation will on occasion consider grants up to \$2,500. In the event a request exceeds \$500 Captain Planet Foundation may choose to fund a portion of the project budget that best fits within the foundation guidelines or contact an applicant for further discussion. For more information, visit: [www.captainplanetfoundation.org](http://www.captainplanetfoundation.org) *February 28*

### *Ezra Jack Keats Minigrants for School and Public Libraries*

The Ezra Jack Keats Foundation offers \$500 minigrants to K-12 school and public library programs that encourage literacy and creativity in children. Programs relating to the work of Ezra Jack Keats are welcome, but not required. For more information, visit: <http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/minigrant-program/> *March 15 deadline*

### *Healthy Playground Makeover Sweepstakes*

The Healthy Weight Commitment Foundation and Discovery Education are sponsoring the Healthy Playground Makeover Sweepstakes, which is offering a variety of prizes to elementary schools. This year, there are 2 grand prizes: a \$30,000 grant and a new playground from Playworld Systems. One grand prize drawing will be chosen from among all eligible entries. The second grand prize drawing will be from among all eligible entries whose schools qualify for the Title I Schoolwide Program. In addition to the 2 grand prizes, 3 schools will receive a \$5,000 grant to improve school wellness programs. For more information, visit: <http://www.togethercounts.com/at-school/win-for-your-school/sweepstakes> *March 15 deadline to enter the sweepstakes*

### *Doodle 4 Google*

Doodle 4 Google is a competition in which K-12 students are asked to create Google's homepage logo. This annual competition invites students across the United States to design their own Google logo around this year's theme: "My Best Day Ever..." The winning artist will see his or her artwork on the Google homepage for 24 hours and win a \$30,000 college scholarship and a \$50,000 technology grant for his or her school. More information at: <http://www.google.com/doodle4google/> *Deadline is March 22*