



# Arkansas State Teachers Association Classroom Mini-Grant Application

## **Available Awards:**

Up to six mini-grants will be awarded this year, depending on the total number of applicants. Awards are available up to a maximum of \$500.

## **Allowable Uses for Classroom Mini-Grant Funds:**

ASTA mini-grants can be used to pay for a wide variety of projects and materials, including supplies and materials, books, software, equipment, audio-visual, and technology items. Feel free to indicate to the awards committee what you need for your classroom! Classroom projects and activities may occur anytime during the 2009-10 school year.

## **Eligibility:**

These Classroom Mini-Grants are available to any Arkansas educator. Awards are competitive. Both new and veteran ASTA-AAE members are given first preference; however, classroom mini-grants are not exclusively limited to ASTA-AAE members.

## **How to Apply:**

### **Each candidate should submit:**

- **Attached cover sheet**
- **A brief professional résumé** listing academic background, employment history, membership in professional associations, and any awards or honors received.
- **A short narrative** answering the questions listed below.  
(This narrative section should be typed, paginated, and organized with each question clearly identified.)
  - 1) How and when will these mini-grant funds be used? Please describe the class project you have in mind or the item you need to purchase for your classroom.
  - 2) Please describe your objectives and how this award will benefit the students in your classroom.
  - 3) Is this project, activity, or classroom item something that you plan to share with other teachers in your school? If so, please describe how you plan to share this activity (or item purchased) in order to maximize the benefit of the mini-grant. Are you willing to share a brief report or post-activity “success story” about this project with your colleagues at a faculty meeting?
  - 4) If you are an ASTA-AAE member (veteran or newly-joined), please describe briefly your primary reasons for joining ASTA-AAE as your professional association.
- **Itemized budget**

## **Application Deadline:**

Application must be received in the ASTA office by October 31<sup>st</sup> for fall funding or March 30<sup>th</sup> for spring funding.

## **Details on Mini-Grant Award Payment Options:**

Teachers awarded mini-grants will be required to submit documentation (receipts) for approved expenses within 60 days after receipt of the award or the mini-grant can be awarded directly to the school. Mini-grant award winners agree that their names and photos may be used in ASTA-AAE newsletters, or websites, and may be announced in local newspapers.

Please send application to: **ASTA \* 705 S. Pine St., Suite 3 Cabot, AR 72023**  
If you have any questions, please call us toll-free at 1-877-742-ASTA or email [kboswell@astapro.org](mailto:kboswell@astapro.org)