

2027 Bright Ideas Grant Program Application



Central Alabama
Electric Cooperative

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

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To be considered for the Bright Ideas Grant Program, complete the following application.
Applications must be emailed to **communications@coop.caec.com** by **Dec. 4, 2026**.

1. Individual teachers may apply for funds up to \$750. Teams of teachers may apply for up to \$1,500 (maximum amount).
2. Principal's digital signature is required on the copy that is sent to cooperative. Please keep a copy for your records.
3. Only one application per project per school will be accepted.
4. Proof of project/program completion is required by the end of the school year for which the grant is requested for. The teacher(s) should also make arrangement with CAEC for a documentation opportunity. Proof of completion can be through photographs or visits by CAEC employees and trustees.
5. **Grants are not intended for equipment or capital investments** (ex: iPads, tablets, computers, printers, projectors, playgrounds) unless the equipment is used in conjunction with a creative initiative.

email completed application to:

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Or for more information contact:

(334) 351-2125
or (800) 545-5735 ext. 2125
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Applicant Name: _____ **Personal Phone:** _____

School Name: _____ **School Phone:** _____

School Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Home Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Primary E-mail Address: _____

Team Members (if applicable): _____

Section A

Project/Program Name: _____

Number of students benefiting from the project/program: _____

Amount Requesting: \$ _____ **Would you accept partial funding?:** ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If so, what is the minimum amount needed to implement the project/program?: \$ _____

Will the items purchased with this grant be used for more than one school year?: ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Project Summary (Describe creative, innovative elements of the project in 200 words or less. Attach additional sheets if necessary.) *Grants are not intended for equipment or capital investments (ex: iPads, tablets, computers, projectors, printers, playgrounds) unless the equipment is used in conjunction with a creative initiative. Please include a list of materials that would be purchased with the grant to make this project possible.*

Section B

Email additional sheets if necessary for any questions in this section.

Population *(Describe students to be served, including grade level (100 words or less))*

Goals *(What are the goals or objectives of the project (200 words or less))*

Needs & Benefits *(How will the project address students' needs and provide ongoing benefits (200 words or less))*

Evaluation *(How will the project outcomes be evaluated (100 words or less))*

How will the project be documented for CAEC?

Itemization *(describe or list to the best of your ability the material to be purchased):*

Section C

I have read the guidelines and agree to the terms and conditions for the Bright Ideas Grant Program. Should I receive any monies from this program, I will adhere to the guidelines stated in this application.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Approval (please check):

- ☐ This application has been reviewed and approved by the principal of this school.
- ☐ This application does not request money for salaries or professional development.

Digital signature of Principal: _____

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To streamline the process, we are moving to email-only submissions for Bright Ideas applications. This change eliminates the need to mail applications, making the process more efficient and convenient.

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