

Norwalk Education Foundation's 4th Classroom Innovation Grants a la Shark Tank.

Here's how it works:

Overview

- Students may work alone or with a group.
- Each project must have a staff supporter to sign off on the proposal.
- Ideas must enhance their school. Ideas should address one or more of the following: academics, extra-curricular activities, social-emotional well being, physical health/nutrition or safety.
- Proposals which can be sustained after the NEF funding period will be given priority.
- Proposals are due by March 9th.
- An NEF committee will review proposals and select finalists to present *Shark Tank* style to a group of community, education and business leaders on **March 28**th.
- Project budgets should not exceed \$500.
- Funding will be provided to schools by mid April.

Submission Criteria

- Proposals should be submitted via email to: <u>info@norwalkeducation.org</u> by **March 9th.**
- Proposals must include a budget, itemizing all costs. Links to purchasing sites can be included as back up.
- Proposals must be signed off by an educator/administrator in the school.
- Please answer all questions on the application, not to exceed 2 pages (budget can be separate).

*Important

NEF will not fund daily supplies like paper, pens, and pencils nor do we fund field trips.

Norwalk Education Foundation "Shark Tank" Application:

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| Staff supporter: | email | |
| Signature: | | |
| Name of School: | | |

In no more than 2 pages, please answer the following questions:

- 1. Describe your proposal with a short project description, including timeline, goals and how you will sustain in subsequent years after NEF funding is over.
- 2. How will this project enhance your school? How will it engage students, improve learning or pilot a new and innovative idea?
- 3. What inspired this idea? What research have you done to make sure it's a worthwhile idea? Can you provide any examples of this idea being implemented in other schools?
- 4. How much will this cost? Please provide a complete budget with costs for all items.

Thank you to our funding partner:

