

Grant Ideas Based on Available Funding

This table provides a list of grant ideas to support school-based substance use prevention and student mental wellbeing initiatives. Funding levels are approximate and will vary based on factors such as the size of participating schools or program scope.

FUNDING	GRANT IDEAS
Less than \$2,500	Ten substitute teachers to allow ten teachers to participate in a one-day planning or training session.
	Food for annual teacher training/professional development or annual discussion with parent-teacher organization.
	Curriculum developer's fee to provide an on-site trainer/facilitator to conduct one-day training for all school staff.
\$2,500-\$5,000	Room rental, A/V and food expenses for annual convening for multiple grantees.
	Laptop and other technology required by Grant Director to support program oversight and implementation.
	Posters, pencils, lanyards and other supplies to integrate the curriculum into school culture.
	Off-year administration of the Indiana Youth Survey in up to 20 schools to assess student substance use, mental health, gambling, and protective and risk factors associated with these behaviors.
	Stipends (\$25/hour) for faculty and staff at a single school (approx. 80 employees) to attend 2.5 hours of booster training.
\$5,000-\$10,000	Commissioned survey of local schools to assess capacity and barriers to implementing prevention and mental wellbeing programs. The findings of this survey can help inform the design of the grantmaking initiative.
	Annual foundation meeting expense for staff mileage, food/meals for meetings and site rentals to meet with grantees.
	Annual stipend for one building-level employee (lead teacher, counselor) to serve as a "building-level champion." This person acts as a liaison between the district-level program coordinator and teachers within the building for activities such as professional development and implementation monitoring, which support coordinated implementation throughout the district.
	Registration and travel expenses for 5-person program leadership team to attend national conference conducted by curriculum developer.
	Annual, per-grantee fee to provide implementation technical assistance (TA), including 12 hours of 1:1 TA consulting for each grantee and facilitated peer learning cohorts.
\$15,000-\$50,000	Annual wages for a part-time contractor (Family Services Coordinator, Supplemental Mental Health Provider) to expand a school's implementation staff capacity.
	Three-month planning grant to provide schools staff time and financial resources to identify the program(s) that best meet the needs of their students and staff and develop a plan for implementing the selected program(s). Schools may use planning funds to provide stipends to planning team members, pay for substitute teachers, purchase sample curricula, or travel to observe schools implementing one or more programs.
	Average annual implementation grant for a single-site school or small school network (e.g., charter school network with 2-3 schools).
	Physical curriculum materials for 40 classrooms or a 5-year digital curriculum license for single-site school.
	One district's annual license for Panorama Survey or Partnerships in Education and Resilience (PEAR) Assessment to measure student mindsets and other outcomes.
	Annual wages for a part-time contractor (Family Services Coordinator, Supplemental Mental Health Provider) to expand a school's implementation staff capacity.
\$50,000-\$85,000	Commissioned report studying a community's current needs related to substance use disorder (SUD) or mental health, strategies to address the problem, and gaps that can be addressed through philanthropic support.
	Average annual implementation grant for a small school district (total student body <15,000).
	Annual salary/benefits for one full-time position such as grant director, school counselor, or other leadership position to manage grant-funded activities.
\$250,000-\$350,000	Average annual implementation grant for a large school district (total student body > 15,000).
	Four months of 1:1 technical assistance support provided to 45 planning grantees, including virtual information sessions for all grantees and intensive 1:1 support to help grantees select and plan to implement the program(s) that best meets their needs.
	Annual cost to hire a third-party evaluator to collect, analyze and report on the aggregated impact of your grantmaking initiative.