

WINCHESTER EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Attention: WPS CERTIFICATED FACULTY AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF
Announcing: 2025-2026 NAVY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION WINCHESTER PUBLIC
SCHOOLS EDUCATOR GRANTS
Deadline: 11:59 P.M., MONDAY JUNE 30, 2025

The Application is attached. Apply by email. Carefully read this grant description prior to submitting your application.

The Winchester Education Foundation (WEF) is pleased to announce the continuation of the Navy Federal Credit Union **WINCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATOR GRANTS**. These grants, funded by Navy Federal Credit Union, have been established to assist our WPS educators further their careers in PreK-12 education.

The goals of the Navy Federal Credit Union **WINCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATOR GRANTS** are to assist Winchester Public School professional staff who serve as educators, administrators, and other certificated professionals in the Winchester Public Schools, to promote recruitment and retention by WPS of outstanding education professionals, and, to the extent possible, to promote a racially and ethnically diverse professional faculty by encouraging employment of persons of underrepresented populations.

- **Navy Federal Credit Union Winchester Public Schools Educator Grants:**

Two grants of \$1,500 each will be awarded to Winchester Public School teachers or certified professionals who are and have been employed by Winchester Public Schools in a position that requires a professional certificate ***for at least two years*** prior to the application date. Recipients may not receive this type of Educator Grant more than one time.

- A recipient of a Navy Federal Credit Union Winchester Public Schools Educator Grant must agree to remain with WPS for two additional school years following award of the grant, assuming WPS offers the recipient employment contracts in those years. Repayment will be expected if a recipient fails to remain with WPS for two additional years.
- Funds from a Navy Federal Credit Union Winchester Public Schools Educator Grant may be used in one of three ways:

(1) Direct payment by the WEF on outstanding student loan obligations for tuition incurred by the recipient in obtaining his or her education or

professional degree or in continuing coursework toward additional degrees related to the recipient's professional position.

- (2) Reimbursement by the WEF to the recipient for tuition expenses paid out-of-pocket by the recipient within the preceding 24-month period for obtaining his or her education or professional degree or in continuing coursework toward acquisition of additional degrees related to the recipient's professional position, if documentation of out-of-pocket payment by recipient is provided.
- (3) Direct payment by the WEF for tuition expenses to an institution of higher learning in which recipient is enrolled to acquire an additional degree related to his or her professional position, provided that the recipient is employed by WPS at the time that the disbursement is made.

Requests for distribution of funds must be made on the Request for Distribution form to be provided by the WEF, with supporting documentation. All requests for distribution must be received by the WEF within two years of the award. Funds not used within two years are subject to forfeiture.

Application Deadline: Apply by 11:59 p.m., June 30, 2025, by email to:

Larry Weiss, Executive Director of the Winchester Education Foundation, at wefsuccess@gmail.com.

If you have questions about the application process, you may address them to us at this email address.

**WINCHESTER EDUCATION FOUNDATION
NAVY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION WINCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATOR GRANT**

2025-2026 AWARD APPLICATION

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER(S):

EMAIL:

1. Are you currently employed by Winchester Public Schools?
Dates of WPS employment?
2. In what capacity/position are you employed by WPS?
3. At which school?
4. Describe your education beyond high school (colleges/universities attended; degrees obtained; years obtained).
5. Describe your career path up to this time.
6. Describe your plans for future education, if any.
7. Describe your future career plans/goals.
8. In 300 to 500 words, please relate why you chose to work in our Winchester Public Schools as a teacher or other professional, and what contributions you feel you can or do make to

better education is our community.

9. If, for purposes of this Education Grant, you seek to be considered as a candidate who will contribute to the goal of expanding racial, ethnic, or cultural diversity within the WPS teaching faculty, please provide applicable information.

In signing this application, I am certifying as to the veracity of the information provided in this application. I have read and understand the requirements and conditions of the Navy Federal Educator Grant. I understand that, if selected for this Grant, I am required to remain in the employment of WPS for two additional years or to repay the funds received. I understand that my application for this Grant does not guarantee my selection for it, and that all selection decisions shall be at the sole discretion of the Winchester Education Foundation Board of Directors.

If submitting by email, typing your signature below in all caps shall serve as an act of signing this application.

DATE

SIGNATURE

(Optional and does not affect selection decisions) Initial here _____ if you agree that, if selected to receive a grant, excerpts of your answer to Question 9 above may be used by the WEF on its website or in marketing materials about the Navy Federal Educator Grants.

Submission instructions:

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