

CEF Classroom Grant Rubric

Criteria	Excellent (4)	Good (3)	Satisfactory (2)	Needs Improvement (1)	Score
1. Brief Description of Project & Goals	Clear, concise, and specific description of the project. Well-defined, measurable goals.	Description of the project is clear, but goals could be more specific or measurable.	Description of the project is vague, and goals are not clearly defined.	Description is unclear, or goals are missing or too broad.	
2. Imagination, Innovation, & Creativity	The project is highly imaginative, innovative, and demonstrates a creative approach.	The project demonstrates creativity but lacks some innovation.	Some creative elements but overall lacks originality or innovation.	No clear signs of innovation or imagination.	
3. Student Engagement & Learning Experiences	Project offers rich opportunities for student engagement and enhances learning experiences.	Project provides some level of engagement and supports student learning.	Limited engagement; learning opportunities are basic.	Project lacks meaningful engagement or student learning focus.	
4. Expected Project Outcomes	Clear and measurable outcomes are outlined with specific learning objectives.	Outcomes are clear but not fully measurable or lack specificity.	Outcomes are unclear or general without a clear tie to learning objectives.	No clear outcomes or no link to student learning outcomes.	
5. STEM/STEAM Connections	Project has strong, well-integrated STEM/STEAM connections.	STEM/STEAM connections are present but not strongly integrated.	STEM/STEAM connections are vague or superficial.	No STEM/STEAM connections identified.	
6. Implementation Steps & Timeline	Detailed and realistic steps with a clear timeline. All milestones are achievable.	Clear steps and timeline, but some milestones lack clarity or feasibility.	Steps and timeline are vague or unrealistic.	No clear steps or timeline provided.	
7. Budget	Budget is thoroughly detailed with accurate cost estimates for all items.	Budget is clear but lacks full detail or some cost estimates are approximated.	Budget is incomplete or contains some inaccuracies.	Budget is unclear, incomplete, or lacks research and detail.	

Scoring:

- **Excellent (4):** Exceeds expectations for this section.
- **Good (3):** Meets expectations with room for improvement.
- **Satisfactory (2):** Partially meets expectations; needs improvement.
- **Needs Improvement (1):** Does not meet expectations.