

2011-12 Professional Development Technology Program

A Program for Consortium Teachers of
The Edith Winthrop Teacher Center of Westchester

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Professional Development Technology program is designed to provide support for the implementation of innovative approaches to integrating technology into your classroom curriculum. It is an opportunity to approach or enrich curriculum (through technology) and to stimulate creative teaching techniques in the classroom.

1. Proposals should:

- Demonstrate how the technology can enhance student learning.
- Meet district technology requirements.
- Directly involve students.
- Promote creative student directed instruction.
- Be designed to encourage the exploration of new techniques and the development of educational resources.
- Meet the students' needs and increase motivation to learn.
- Stimulate creativity in the classroom.
- Relate to specific Common Core Learning Standards and/or assessments.
- Include an appropriate project evaluation.

2. Eligibility:

- Applicants must be a teacher in a consortium school of The Edith Winthrop Teacher Center of Westchester.
- Applicants must work directly with students.
- Teaching Assistants may apply with a classroom teacher.

3. Awards:

- Recipients of winning proposals will be reimbursed (up to \$600) to purchase an integral piece of technology for proposed project.
- All equipment purchased through Professional Development Technology Program becomes the property of the schools/districts.
- The Edith Winthrop Teacher Center of Westchester retains the right to disseminate projects or designs evolving from these technology proposals.

4. Criteria:

- The Teacher Center Reading Committee, a panel of teachers from our consortium districts, will use the enclosed rating rubric when screening applications.
- Proposals will be rated according to the categories described in the rubric, e.g., Program Design, Impact on Students, Budget.
- All proposals should include a specific classroom lesson(s) or unit(s).

Application Procedures:

- All applications must include a statement of purpose, a project description, an evaluation plan and a detailed (and itemized) budget. Budgets must specifically identify the piece of requested equipment and the price. No incomplete or handwritten proposals will be considered.
- Applications must be co-signed by the building principal or applicant's supervisor.
- An applicant or a team of teachers may submit only one proposal.
- Do not include teacher/school/district names in the body of the proposal.
- Two proposals may not be submitted by the same school for the same project.

Dates:

- PDT proposals are due at the Teacher Center by 4:00 p.m., Friday, December 16, 2011.
- Final reports are due no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 11, 2012 at the Edith Winthrop Teacher Center.