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OSPI EdTEch iGrant Funding Opportunities

Digital Navigation Grant (FP 280)

Digital Navigation involves providing students and their families with the skills needed to navigate online, including help with acquiring internet connectivity, and locating affordable devices. Supporting digital navigation can provide families with access to benefits such as affordable (or free) internet, access to email and school platforms, childcare, healthcare, and government programs that have moved online and require online skills.

Whereas these grants will be awarded to districts in both urban and rural areas, there will be some priority status given to rural/remote districts, districts with high percentages of FRP (Free and Reduced Price) and districts with high readiness to implement.

This funding goal is to increase the capacity and sustainability of digital navigation for students and student's families in school districts.

- Webinar: Wednesday, November 15th | 3:30 pm | Registration
- Grant FAQs
- Application due: December 20, 2023
- Questions? Contact Ana Ketch, Digital Navigation Grant Program Manager (ana.ketch@k12.wa.us or (564) 999-0503)

Adaptive & Inclusive Technology Grant (FP 282)

This grant aims to support schools and school districts by procuring specialized adaptive and inclusive technologies along with support for that technology. This support could include training all educators who come in contact with that technology to best support students utilizing it. These supports could include paraeducators, parents, and general education teachers who support students using adaptive/inclusive technologies receiving professional development and instructional coaching around best practices and use.

The max award per district is $25,000. Grants will be awarded on a rolling application until funding is gone or May 15th, whichever comes first. Districts are encouraged to work with the grant manager, KC Merchant, prior to submission to discuss grant goals, scope, and scale as well as optimize funding and purchasing. This grant requires the completion of a planning document to be completed, then uploaded in iGrants prior to submission. Funding for this year's grant must be spent by June 30th, 2024.

- Webinar: Wednesday, November 15th | 3:30 pm | Registration
- Questions? Contact KC Merchant, Digital Equity & Inclusion Program Supervisor, OSPI (360) 918-4565, kcmerchant@k12.wa.us

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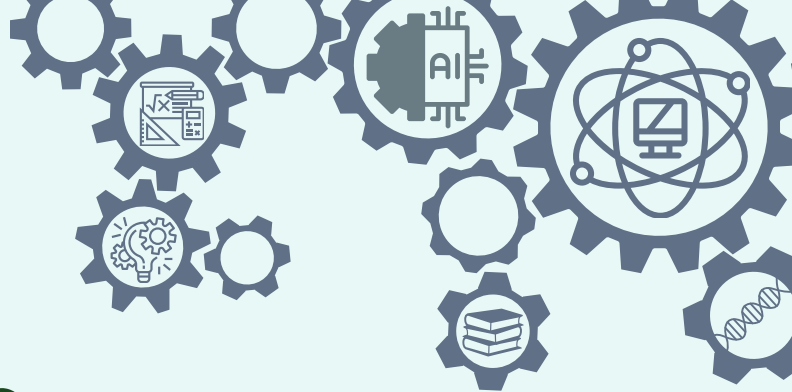Director of Education Technology
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Student Scholarship Opportunities

Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship Information for High School Seniors

The Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship program is built to provide high school seniors like you with up to $40,000 for college and summer internship opportunities at Amazon following your freshman year of college. And no, you don't have to be an engineer superstar to apply!

Key info at-a-glance:
- Applications are open until December 15, 2023
- Eligible students must be planning to attend an accredited 4 or 2-year college and planning to study engineering, computer science, or other related fields of study
- Up to $40,000 in scholarships
- Other eligibility requirements apply. Please see amazonfutureengineer.com/scholarships for more details

Note: Scholarship marketing materials are available by visiting Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship Marking Toolkit.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Join us for our upcoming EdTech and Computer Science events at Puget Sound ESD. Meet and collaborate with educators around the region to strengthen learning and teaching in your classrooms!

Intro to Programming with Edison Robots (PK-12)
Thursday • November 30th, 2023 | 4 PM-7 PM | In-Person

REGISTER | pdEnroller Event #162235

Esports Mini Series
Tuesday • December 12th, 2023 | 3 PM-4:30 PM | Online

REGISTER | pdEnroller Event #157743

Librarian & Media Specialist Leadership Group
Wednesday • December 13th, 2023 | 4 PM-5 PM | Online
Wednesday • January 10th, 2024 | 4 PM-5 PM | Online
Wednesday • February 7th, 2024 | 4 PM-5 PM | Online
Wednesday • March 13th, 2024 | 4 PM-5 PM | Online
Wednesday • May 8th, 2024 | 4 PM-5 PM | Online
Wednesday • June 12th, 2024 | 4 PM-6 PM | In-Person

REGISTER | pdEnroller Event #161785