



# No Child Left Inside Grant Program 2019 Phase 1 Mini Grants Application

**Instructions:** Please read the complete *Request for Proposals* and other associated documents before submitting this application. **Applications for Phase 1 can be submitted starting at 9:00 a.m. on October 23, 2019 and will be funded on a geographically-balanced statewide, first-come, first-served basis. Incomplete applications and those received prior to 9:00 a.m. on October 23, 2019 will not be considered. Applicants should not plan to start any project work prior to December 1, 2019. Project work for Phase 1 Mini Grants must be completed by June 1, 2020.**

**Submit questions and applications to:**

[outreachgrants.dnr@state.mn.us](mailto:outreachgrants.dnr@state.mn.us) with the subject line, "2019 No Child Left Inside Mini Grants"

**Applicant**

Organization name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational institution, non-profit organization, or community group where students are based**

Facility name \_\_\_\_\_ ISD # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of youth at facility that qualify for free and reduced lunch \_\_\_\_\_ %

**How many estimated youth will be reached by this program?**

Pre-K – 4th grade \_\_\_\_\_ 5 - 8<sup>th</sup> grade \_\_\_\_\_ 9 - 12<sup>th</sup> grade \_\_\_\_\_

**Location where programming will be delivered (park, nature center, or other outdoor venue)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nearest city \_\_\_\_\_

**Provide a summary that describes your project and the expected outcomes (200 words or less)**

**Funding amount requested** - \$500 (minimum) - \$5,000 (maximum) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

<b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b>	Tracking number <b>20NCP1</b> _____	funded / not funded
Date received _____	Time _____	a.m. / p.m. by whom _____
Staff administrator _____	Region _____	

**Natural resource education or outdoor recreation supported by program (check all that apply)**

- Education classes** that are held outside and use established environmental or natural-resource educational curriculum
- Training** of teachers, facilitators or volunteers to deliver environmental or outdoor education (EOE), including, but not limited to Project WET/WILD/Learning Tree, Driven to Discover, Tread Lightly!, E-STEM (Environment, Science, Technology, Engineering, Math), Becoming an Outdoors Family
- Safety Training:** Firearms, Boat and Water, ATV or Snowmobile
- Programs at State Parks or Trails** that cover topics, such as water quality, raptors and bird watching, plants and animals, maple syruping, weather and seasons, watersheds, prairie restoration, pollinators and forests, etc. (Work closely with park staff on project scope and schedule, ensure the project complements existing activities, fits with available services and capacity, and complies with park rules)
- Similar programs at other parks, trails, nature or environmental learning center facilities**
- Minnesota School Forest Program activities**
- Outdoor recreation activities with an environmental component:** paddling or camping tied to water quality, hiking with plant or tree identification, snowshoeing to find animal tracks, night sky viewing, fishing with aquatic habitats, prairie seed collection, nature photography, etc.
- Investigations on water issues:** water quality, water conservation, research, citizen science, aquatic wildlife and plants, weather, storm drains, Mississippi River, habitat restoration, macro invertebrates, service learning projects, water festivals, winter snow and ice, and other topics related to watersheds
- Angling**
- Hunting**
- Shooting** (trap or archery)
- Paddle sports**
- Cross-country (Nordic) Skiing**
- Biking or hiking at state and local parks or trails**
- Snowmobiling**

**Funding will be used for the following activities or materials (check all that apply)**

- Transportation** or travel costs to parks, natural lands or EOE programs and facilities
- Program fees**, such as admission, tours, facility fees, hired educators/speakers, or equipment rental
- Teacher prep time or substitute teacher stipends** for work on EOE curriculum integration or to attend professional development
- EOE curricula and tools** needed to do investigations
- Classroom set of EOE equipment**, such as snowshoes, binoculars, cameras, GPS units, compasses, or other outdoor instructional tools
- Outdoor classroom equipment** such as benches, outdoor chalkboards, storage shed for supplies, greenhouse, etc.
- Installing trails, teaching shelters or outdoor classrooms**
- An organized biking, hiking, paddling, fishing or camping trip** in a state or local park or trail
- Fishing equipment**
- Archery equipment**
- Hunting equipment** (guns and ammo are not eligible)

**Fill in the estimated total cost of the project(s) and the grand total of the dollar amount requested (\$500-\$5,000)**

Matching amounts are not required for the mini grant program, but strongly encouraged.

Item	Description	Funding amount requested	Matching amount (not required)
Transportation			
Program Fees			
Teacher or sub stipends			
Curricula and materials			
Equipment			
Contractors			
<b>Grand Totals</b>			