Grants and Funding Opportunities: Outdoor Learning

1. **NH Schoolyard Partnership Grant** – up to $5,000 and offers lots of free help from the partners. New Hampshire Audubon, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service New England Field Office, New Hampshire Project Learning Tree, and NH Fish and Game have joined efforts to support schools that want to achieve the benefits of nature-based studies for student development and learning. Grant Period: Open November 27, 2023 - January 25, 2024. <https://nhfishgame.com/2023/11/16/nh-schoolyard-action-grant-applications-being-accepted-now-through-january-26/>
2. **Wellborn Ecology Fund School-based Project Grants** – up to $5,000; Rolling Application. New Hampshire Charitable Foundation's Wellborn Ecology Fund is dedicated to increasing environmental and ecological science knowledge in the Upper Valley. Since 2013, the Foundation has been focusing Wellborn resources to increase access to high-quality place-based ecology education in schools, with particular emphasis on K-8 education in underserved New Hampshire school districts, such as Claremont, Mascoma and Newport. <https://www.nhcf.org/how-can-we-help-you/apply-for-a-grant/wellborn/>
3. **Greenworks Grants** - Project Learning Tree offers GreenWorks! Up to $1,000 to schools and youth organizations for environmental service-learning projects that link classroom learning to the real world. Students implement an action project they help design to green their school or to improve an aspect of their neighborhood’s environment. The annual deadline to apply is end of September. Funding is distributed in December. <https://www.plt.org/resources/greenworks-grants/> (This grant may be discontinued.)
4. **Honey Bee Grant**: Either $1500 to support education program, a traditional hive or an observation hive. Grant opens September and deadline is mid-November. The Honey Bee Grant program allows for a K-12 school or non-profit organization to receive support for an educational honey bee hive. <http://www.thebeecause.org/index.php/grant-program>
5. **NH Farm to School Local Foods Cooperative Agreement:** <https://nhfarmtoschool.org/local-food-for-schools-cooperative-agreement/>
6. **Upper Valley Teaching Place Collaborative eNews** – Sign-up for this newsletter to stay up-to-date on funding sources. <https://vitalcommunities.org/place-based-education/#!/sign-up>
7. **Sullivan County Conservation District eNews** – Sign-up for this newsletter to stay up-to-date on local resources and curriculum to use in your outdoor classroom. <https://my.sendinblue.com/users/subscribe/js_id/2l80w/id/1>
8. **Sullivan County Conservation District Website –** You can find this resource page there with all the links as well as many other resources for environmental education. [www.sccdnh.org](https://sullivancountynh.wixsite.com/educationandoutreach)
9. **USDA Farm to School Grant Program –** up to $500,000, Opens in October, Closes mid-January. Can be used for planning, implementation, and training. The purpose of the USDA Farm to School Grant Program is to assist eligible entities in implementing farm to school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools. On an annual basis, USDA awards up to $5 million in competitive grants for training, supporting operations, planning, purchasing equipment, developing school gardens, developing partnerships, and implementing farm to school programs. <https://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/farm-school-grant-program>
10. **Kaboom Playground Grant –** Playground grants to help communities build safe places for kids to play. <https://kaboom.org/grants>
11. **Bogs Footwear Outdoor Education** **Grant**- They seem to be giving bog boots to organizations. Can’t seem to find out how. <http://www.bogsfootwear.com/shop/community.html>
12. **Vermont Farm to School Grants** – up to $20,000, Deadline late April. <http://agriculture.vermont.gov/producer_partner_resources/market_access_development/farm_school>
13. **Kids Gardening Grants** – KidsGardening offers a variety of grants to new and existing youth garden programs across the nation. Each funding opportunity has its own timeline, defining features, eligibility requirements, and reporting expectations. <https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/>
14. **NHEE’d to Get Outside Grant** – Up to $2000. Funds outdoor learning experiences taking place in 2025 starting on September 15, 2024. The deadline to apply is November 20, 2024. Awards will be announced December 15, 2024. Grants are awarded in January. <https://www.nhee.org/node/85>
15. **L.L. Bean Charitable Donations** –accepted on a rolling basis. <https://llbean.sponsor.com/form?pid=0&cid=23197>