



Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Committee

# Gedalyah Engel Education Award 2023

## History and Purpose of the Award:

The goals of the Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Committee, initiated by Rabbi Gedalyah Engel and the Mayors of Lafayette and West Lafayette in 1981, are to continue awareness of the Nazis' War against the Jews from 1933-1945, to honor the victims and survivors of the Holocaust, and to promote individual, community, and media responsibility for combating the forces of ignorance, hatred, and prejudice today.

To honor the work of Rabbi Engel, the Gedalyah Engel Education Award has been established by the GLHRC to support endeavors by local educators to educate and inspire their students to recognize discrimination, to stand up for minority groups and other vulnerable populations, and to speak out against manifestations of present-day hatred and prejudice.

Due in part to the persistent work of the GLHRC, teaching about the Holocaust is now mandated in the Indiana public school curriculum. The Engel award supports Holocaust education and broader human rights curriculum at any grade level and in any discipline.

Educators are encouraged to design feasible projects that demonstrate the applicant's commitment to the goals of the GLHRC and passion for teaching the Holocaust and/or related issues. Successful proposals will address issues related to genocide, discrimination, bullying, human rights, the Holocaust itself or "lessons to be learned from the Holocaust" with clearly outlined activities and specific student outcomes.

## Proposals should address a professional goal (Category A) or a classroom or school-wide need (Categories B-E).

- A. Teacher Learning - Educators applying in Category A must indicate how their learning will benefit students.
- B. Classroom Projects
- C. School-wide Projects
- D. Student Travel
- E. Education Outreach

## Timeline:

The deadline for submission is **FRIDAY January 27, 2023**.

Recipients will be notified on or before **March 15, 2023**

Public announcement and dispersal of funds at the GLHRC Educator Workshop **April, 2023**

## How much funding can I apply for? What if my project is bigger than this award?

THE GLHRC awards at least \$2000 TOTAL in funding each year. This may go to a single applicant or be split among multiple awards. You may apply for any amount up to \$2000.

*Partial funding:* Proposals for large amounts may be only partially funded. After funding decisions are made and recipients are notified, if a proposal is only partially funded and the amount will be inadequate for accomplishing the project or other necessary funds are not procured within the award timeline, the recipient must return the funds to the GLHRC.

**What is NOT an acceptable use of Engel award funds?**

- Capital improvement requests
- Reimbursement for food and entertainment costs
- Stipends for educators or substitute teacher payments
- Donations to organizations

**Who is eligible to submit a proposal?**

Applicants must be actively teaching in schools in Indiana ASP District 4 (Benton, Warren, Fountain, Montgomery, Tippecanoe, White, Carroll, Cass, and Clinton counties) Proposals may be for any grade level, in any discipline, and they may be extra-curricular in design.

**Am I eligible if I have received an Engel award in the past?**

Previous Engel Award winners are not ineligible to apply. However, first-time award applicants may receive priority for funding.

**Am I eligible if I plan to retire or leave teaching soon?**

It is hoped that recipients will continue in their educator capacity for at least one year after the fulfillment of the Award.

**When and how are winner(s) announced?**

All applicants will be notified about the status of their proposal on or around March 15<sup>th</sup>. The announcement of the Award winner(s) will be made during the annual GLHRC Educator Workshop in April.

**How much time are recipients given to spend the funds?**

The Award cycle runs for one calendar year—from April of the year the award is made until April of the following year (i.e, from Conference to Conference). In the event of unforeseen circumstances that make it impossible for a recipient to complete the project within the year, the award may be deferred for one year. In other words, the grant will remain active for two years from the date of the original award. In the unlikely event that a recipient needs to defer, funds must be returned to the GLHRC and will be reissued upon request within the additional one-year period.

**What is required after implementation?**

- Report to the GLHRC: A one-page written report, submitted to the Education Outreach subcommittee of the GLHRC is expected by April of the following year.
- Winners will be expected to present their projects at the next calendar year GLHRC Educator Workshop.

**What is the Review Process?**

- The Gedalyah Engel Educator Award is competitive. Not all proposals will necessarily be funded and proposals may be funded only in part.
- Proposals are reviewed by a small committee of volunteers associated with, but not active on the GLRHC committee.
- Reviewers will conduct a blind review of the submitted proposals. Applicants should not mention their name, their school, or their school corporation except on the cover page. The decision of the reviewers is final.

**What are the Criteria for Evaluation?**

Proposals which do not meet formatting and content requirements will not be reviewed. Proposals must be within the 2 page limit. All questions and requirements must be completed including cover page and letter of recommendation on letterhead stationery.

**Proposals will be evaluated on a 100-point scale in these categories:**

**Worthiness:** Proposal pertains to an identified need that corresponds to the goals of the GLHRC.

**Impact:** Proposal outlines clear and meaningful benefits to students and, in Category A, to the teacher as well.

**Passion:** Proposal demonstrates the applicant's commitment to the goals of the GLHRC and/or passion for teaching the Holocaust or topics related to the Holocaust.

**Feasibility:** Proposal outlines an endeavor that the applicant will be able to complete within the time frame of the award cycle.

**Budget:** Proposal presents a realistic budget in adequate detail.

**How are funds dispersed to recipients?**

Funds will be dispersed directly to teacher in the amount specified at the time the award is announced publicly at the GLRHC Educator Workshop in April. Recipients must have a signed grant agreement and applicable tax forms before dispersal. A W-9 form for the GLHRC is required as the award funds are not tax-exempt.

**Who do I contact about the application process or proposal content?**

Questions about the application process or suitability of a proposal for this Award may be directed to Mary Eisert at [meisert@tsc.k12.in.us](mailto:meisert@tsc.k12.in.us).

**PROPOSAL COMPONENTS:**

**Cover Sheet:** The cover sheet is the only place where your name, school, or school corporation should be mentioned. The cover sheet will be removed for a blind review of the proposal. Thus, please identify each page of your proposal in the upper right hand corner with the category letter and a short descriptor of your project.

**Letter of Recommendation:** The application must be accompanied by a short letter of recommendation on letterhead stationery from a principal, superintendent, colleague, or mentor who can attest to the applicant's ability to complete the course of activities outlined in the proposal in the time frame allowed by the grant cycle. The recommendation should confirm the reviewers' decision that the project is warranted and feasible and attest to the applicant's ability to fulfill responsibly the terms of the proposal. (The applicant's name will be blacked out prior to the reviewers' reading of the letter of recommendation.)

**Format requirements:** Applications must be no longer than two pages including the budget, single-spaced, and typed using standard margins and a font no smaller than 11-point. All questions must be answered completely. Proposals should be spell-checked and proofread. Proposals that do not conform to these specifications will not be considered.

**HOW TO SUBMIT:**

Proposals can be submitted electronically to Mary Eisert at [meisert@tsc.k12.in.us](mailto:meisert@tsc.k12.in.us), but must include the letter of recommendation with a scanned original signature. The deadline for electronic submissions is **FRIDAY, January 27, 2023.**

Proposals can be personally delivered to Wea Ridge Middle School by the close of the school day (2:30 PM) on **Friday, January 27, 2023.** Please write ATTN: Mary Eisert on the envelope.

Proposals can be submitted by US Mail. A mailed proposal must be **postmarked by Friday, January 27, 2023.** Please mail to Mary Eisert, Wea Ridge Middle School, 4410 South, 150 East, Lafayette, IN 47909



## GLRHC Engel Award Proposal – Detailed Requirements

**Use a paperclip to keep your Cover Sheet, Proposal, and Recommendation together. DO NOT STAPLE. The Cover Sheet and Recommendation will be separated from the proposal.**

### Cover Sheet:

Your Name

Title of Award Proposal

Category and Short Descriptor of Award (to be repeated on each page of the proposal)

Amount of Award \$ Requested

Project Start and End Date

Your Mailing Address

Your Email Address

Your Telephone

Number

School

Corporation

School

Grade Level Involved

Subject Area or Extra-Curricular Involvement

Statement re: Previous Engel Awards. Have you previously received an Engel Award(s)? If so, when?

Name and Title of Your Recommender

### CONTENTS OF PROPOSAL:

- Proposals should be no more than two pages, single spaced.
- In the upper right hand corner of each page, state the Category (A, B, C, D, or E) and a short descriptor of your proposal so that it can be separated from the cover page.  
(example: "D. Field trip to Illinois Holocaust Museum)
- On the left hand side of the first page of the proposal, write the title of the proposal and the amount of money requested.
- The following questions should be addressed in paragraph form in sufficient detail to demonstrate that the project is warranted and feasible and that the applicant has thought the project through and will be able to complete it.

**1: Summary:** In approximately 50 words, summarize your proposal: What will you do, why will you do it, and how will your students benefit?

### 2: Description of Proposed Project, Categories B-E:

A. Classroom Projects (funds for speakers, resources, materials, etc.)

B. School-wide Projects (funds for speakers, resources, materials, etc.)

C. Student Travel (funds for transportation, admission, etc. Food or substitute teachers are not eligible)

D. Education Outreach (funds for speakers, travel, resources, etc.)

- What need(s) does this proposal address?
- How does it address the goals of the GLHRC?
- What are the specific benefits you see this project providing to your students and how many students will this project impact?
- What activities will you and/or your students engage in during the period of the project?
- What outcome(s) do you anticipate?
- How will you measure the impact of these activities upon your students or yourself?

**Description of Proposed Project, Category A:**

- A. Teacher Learning (funds for tuition, travel, resources, etc.) Educators applying in Category A must indicate how their learning will benefit students.

Though educators applying in Category A may not envision a specific plan for application to student learning prior to the proposed teacher coursework, they should indicate their previous experience with Holocaust education (or topics related to the Holocaust) and/or communicate their own passion for the topic, and indicate some possible outcomes for students so that the potential benefit to them is clear.

**3: Budget**

List specific items and costs and justify within your project description the necessity for these items or associated costs. **It is acceptable and advisable to include the appropriate tax bracket percentage of the amount needed for the proposal in the total budget for income tax purposes.**

Format:

Item	Amount	Purpose
Estimated Tax Liability		
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b>		

**4: Timeline**

List the dates of the various activities including the April reporting date (Use April 1 for that date).