



SPECIAL PROJECTS PRO-D FUND

Funding Application Form 2011-2012

Surrey Teachers' Association

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Members must submit all <u>ORIGINAL</u> receipts in order to receive reimbursement.	Date of Application:
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Project Information

Topic:	
Location:	Date:
Project outline included (*see guidelines on reverse) YES: <input type="checkbox"/>	

Expenses: Maximum allowable = \$250 x # of participants	Amount Requested	Approved
Teacher-on-Call (\$201.26/day)		
Resources for participants (eg. Books)		
Total		

For STA Office Use Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved
Comments:		
STA Pro-D Chair:	Amount Approved \$	
	Date:	

Special Projects Pro-d Fund--Application Procedures

1. Fill in a "Special Projects Pro-d Funding Application" Form. Please include an outline of your proposed project.
2. Fax or courier the application form to the STA office — attention STA Professional Issues Officer, Stephen Anderson. (*Keep a copy for your own records.*)
3. You should ensure your application is processed and approved by the STA Professional Issues Officer, Stephen Anderson, at least 30 days prior to the date of the project.
4. You must submit all original receipts (where applicable) along with a copy of the “APPROVED” application form to the STA office no later than 30 calendar days following the date of the project.
5. Any date changes must be forwarded to the STA Professional Issues Officer and the STA accounts clerk.

What is the ‘Special Projects Pro-d Fund’?

It is a fund for small groups of teachers to access **once per school year** to pursue professional growth opportunities in addition to regular opportunities for STA members.

Who may apply?

Any group of 2 to 4 STA members may apply. Group members do not all have to work at the same school.

How much funding is available for your group?

Your group can apply for up to \$250 times the number of members in the group.

What does the \$250 cover?

The fund is designed to cover one release day (TOC cost) for a regularly scheduled work day or each member of the group plus any necessary resource for the experience to be carried out. For example if a book needs to be purchased for the group members, this could be covered from the fund.

***Note: Teachers who do not normally work on the scheduled project day will not be able to take an in-lieu day at a later date.**

The fund does not cover the cost of food, transportation, accommodation, facility rentals or field studies.

What would be the focus of the professional development opportunities?

For the purpose of this initial Special Projects Pro-d Fund, the committee asks that one of the following three areas be the focus for your group:

- (a) **reciprocal teaching observation(s)** and debriefing(s) on any area(s) of teaching that your group wishes to pursue
Example: one teacher on split grade curriculum management and another teacher on differentiated instructional techniques
- (b) **sharing/collaboration** such as for instructional practices, management techniques, or intellectual connections
Example: three teachers discuss and plan strategically regarding the behavioral concerns of a group of students they will be working with during the coming year
- (c) **a book study** where a group of teachers get together to read and discuss a book that is pertinent to their teaching experiences
Example: four teachers at an inner city school read and discuss the book *A Framework for Understanding Poverty* by Dr. Ruby Payne.

These three areas are designed to be broad enough to allow groups to select the professional focus that best suits their needs.

What do applicants need to send to the STA?

Applicants need to send one form per group. The group also needs to send a project outline that includes: a ‘specific goal’, an ‘action plan’ for the day, and ‘expected outcome(s)’.