

Kalkaska Public Schools

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COVID-19 Grants for Teachers and Support Staff

The Governor set aside "grant" funds to provide additional pay for educators. These grants will be issued directly from the Department of Treasury, not the Kalkaska Public School District.

The Department of Treasury grant has two applicable sections: K-12 Classroom Teachers and K-12 Support Staff. Those who qualify under the Treasury definitions as K-12 Classroom Teachers may be eligible for up to a \$500 grant from the Treasury. Those who qualify under the Treasury definition as K-12 Support Staff may be eligible for up to a \$250 grant from the Treasury. Qualification is determined based on an employee's position between April 2, 2020, and June 30, 2020.

Each eligible classroom teacher or support staff who worked during the 2019-20 period of COVID-19 school closure must submit an application if they want to be considered for the grant. The guidance as of November 6* is that all administrators and early childhood staff, including preschool staff, do not qualify. Each eligible applicant must certify they met one of the following from April 2 - June 30, 2020

- Worked additional time spent outside of normal working hours
- Experienced hazardous conditions, or
- Incurred additional costs related to ensuring students could effectively participate in their school's continuity of learning plan

Follow these steps for submission:

- 1. Fill out the application provided by the Kalkaska Public School District. If you did not receive an application and believe you are eligible, please contact Human Resources.
- 2. Submit the application to Human Resources via email (dtucker@kpschools.com) by 4:30 p.m. on December 4 No late submissions will be accepted.
- 3. Kalkaska Public School District will submit the information to the Department of Treasury for consideration by December
- 4. If approved, the Department of Treasury will mail the check directly to each staff member at the end of February.

For further information, please use the below links.

Classroom Teacher:

https://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,4679,7-121-1751_74806-542550--,00.html

Support Staff:

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/treasury/TSSC19_Grant_Topics_-_Eligible_Support_Staff_706737_7.pdf

Frequently Ask Questions:

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/treasury/TSSC19 Grant Program FAQs 705856 7.pdf