

Learning by Doing Grant

PENNSYLVANIA FFA FOUNDATION



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TOTAL SCORE: ____ / 30 POINTS

Rating Scale: Score each section using the 1–5 rating scale below.

5

EXCEEDS CRITERIA

Materially exceeds the criteria through a creative or innovative approach or provides clear added value.

4

GOOD

Meets all aspects of the criteria with a comprehensive, clear response and strong evidence of the ability to deliver the proposed project.

3

FAIR

Meets the majority of the criteria and provides adequate evidence of the ability to deliver the proposed project.

2

WEAK

Meets some aspects of the criteria but falls short in others, with limited evidence of the ability to deliver the proposed project.

1

UNACCEPTABLE

Does not meet the criteria, demonstrates a significant misunderstanding of the criteria or provides no response.

Judges should consider the completeness, clarity, and evidence provided when determining the appropriate rating.

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PROJECT PROPOSAL: ____ / 5

MULTIPLY BY 2 FOR FINAL SCORE: ____ / 10

- Is this a quality proposed project?
- Is there a clear description of the project plans?
- Are the benefits and intended beneficiaries clearly articulated?
- Is the importance and relevance of the proposed project clearly demonstrated?
- What is the degree of benefit to the member or student(s)?
- What is the range of anticipated outcomes?

MEASUREMENT OF SUCCESS: ____ / 5

- Will this funding create, expand or grow the project?
- Does the project seek a range of benefits?
- Does the project provide a measurement for success?
- Does the proposed project demonstrate a high level of impact?

LONG-TERM BENEFITS: ____ / 5

- Is there clear evidence of how the learning opportunities or benefits of the project will be sustained?
- Have future funding needs been considered?
- Is there a strategy or plan to fund and sustain the project after the grant period ends?

PROJECT COSTS: ____ / 5

- Is there a clear and concise budget with an itemized list of project costs?
- Are the proposed costs reasonable and appropriate for the project?
- Are management costs or overhead expenses reasonable?
- Have other funding sources been identified, if applicable?

FUNDING PRIORITIES: ____ / 5

- Does the proposal provide clear evidence that the project will meet at least one of the following funding priorities?
- Provide a hands-on learning experience for students or members
- Improve the agricultural education experience
- Help transform or enhance agricultural education curriculum

FOUNDATION SUPPORT BONUS: ____ / 1

- Award one bonus point if the applicant has participated in or supported at least one of the following Pennsylvania FFA Foundation activities:
- Participated in the Scholar Dollars program by volunteering at the Farm Show or Ag Progress Days food stand
- Wrote thank-you letters to Pennsylvania FFA Foundation sponsors or donors
- Helped secure or recommend a sponsor or supporter for a Foundation program
- Volunteered at the Pennsylvania FFA Foundation Golf Outing

FINAL SCORES

Project Proposal: ____ / 10

Measurement of Success: ____ / 5

Long-Term Benefits: ____ / 5

Project Costs: ____ / 5

Funding Priorities: ____ / 5

Foundation Support Bonus: ____ / 1

IMPORTANT

If a required report was not submitted for a Learning By Doing Grant received during the previous grant cycle, the applicant will be disqualified from consideration.