

GASSSS (GA Scientists Supporting Science for Students) Program Information and

Application Form

The General Atomics Sciences Education Foundation (GASEF) is starting a new program for 2010 that supports GA employees who want to improve K-12 science education in their communities. This is in addition to the funding that the GASEF currently provides to regional science related non-profits. GASEF will provide financial support for the purchase of supplemental Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM) related materials that also involve the active participation of a GA employee. This support does not include support for the GA employee's time. For individual classes, the GASEF will provide up to \$200 in support. For entire school or regional activities, the GASEF will provide up to \$500 in support. The recipient of the financial support cannot be a for-profit business. Some examples:

1. A local teacher needs some supplementary science related materials. You purchase them and provide them to the teacher, and assist the teacher in using them. GASEF will reimburse the cost of the materials.
2. A local teacher wants you to do a science demonstration or talk about some aspect of your work. You need to purchase some materials to do an effective demonstration – GASEF will provide financial support for you to purchase the materials that you will leave with the teacher.
3. A local school or regional science entity needs funding to help pay for the cost of a new science related laboratory or a regional science activity. You will provide some science assistance. GASEF will provide funding to the school or entity for the science related laboratory or activity.
4. A GA employee wants to present a science talk or workshop at a school or science conference. GASEF will support their travel expenses and the purchase of materials needed for the workshop.

Note that the program has 2 required elements: the participation of a GA employee in a local science activity, and related financial support for STEM provided by the GASEF. Please fill out the short application below to participate in this program.

The GASEF will only provide funding for STEM related materials or activities for which original receipts are provided. Funding will only be provided for requests that have been approved by the GASEF.

The program will evaluate requests on a regular basis until the funding is depleted. Initial funding will support up to 25 \$200 grants and up to 5 \$500 grants. A recipient can only receive one round of funding each year.

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Application Form for GASSSS (GA Scientists Supporting Science for Students) Funding

Proposal (fill out prior to activity - email to Larry.Woolf@ga.com)

Name:

Date:

GA email:

GA group/division:

School or Non-profit name and location (City/State):

Teacher name or non-profit contact person and email address:

Description of proposed use of funding:

Maximum funding level requested (\$200 (class) or \$500 (school or region)):

Activity that you will be assisting in classroom (e.g. helping with science, talking about your career, giving a demonstration, tutoring science, etc.):

Results (fill out after activity - send receipts to Larry Woolf at Mail Stop 78-110 along with a completed version of this application; email the completed application to Larry.Woolf@ga.com)

Description of how GASEF funds were or will be used by the teacher or non-profit (provide copy of receipts):

GASEF check should be made out to:

Date of activity:

Can the above information be made public? (Yes/No)

If you have questions about this program, please contact Dr. Larry Woolf, President, GA Sciences Education Foundation at the following address: Larry.Woolf@ga.com

Procedural Issues:

1. This program will be publicized using the GA internal web site and the GASEF web site.
2. GA employees who wish to participate will fill out the proposal part of the above application and email it to Larry.Woolf@ga.com.
3. The application will be approved by the GASEF President (Larry Woolf).
4. After approval, Larry Woolf will notify the applicant that their proposal has been approved.
5. The applicant performs the proposed activity.
6. After the activity is complete, the applicant will complete the entire application and email the completed application to Larry Woolf at Larry.Woolf@ga.com and will also send a hard copy of the completed application with receipts to Larry Woolf at Mail Stop 78-110.
7. After receipts have been obtained from the applicant, Larry Woolf will send the receipts to Ryan McKenzie, who will make out a check and send it directly to the applicant.
8. After the check has been sent, Larry Woolf will send an email confirmation thank-you note to the applicant, and will ask that they consider supporting the GASEF via contributions during the United Way campaign.