



Piedmont Soil and Water Conservation District
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SERVING AMELIA, NOTTOWAY AND PRINCE EDWARD COUNTIES

Now Offering: 2021-2022 OUTDOOR CLASSROOM MINI-GRANT

As part of our commitment to natural resource & environmental education, the Piedmont Soil and Water Conservation District is once again offering *Outdoor Classroom Mini-Grants*. These grants are available to schools within Amelia, Nottoway or Prince Edward Counties. The grants will provide financial assistance to teachers and schools to establish or revive outdoor learning areas on campus designed to enhance teaching and learning about natural resources. Past grant recipients may get up to \$250. New applicants may be awarded up to \$500.

AVAILABLE TO: K-12 Schools located in Amelia, Nottoway and Prince Edward Counties

AMOUNT: Previous grantees -- up to \$250 for enhancement. New applicants or projects--up to \$500

WHEN: *Application Deadline – October 28, 2021.* Applicants will be notified by the end of November.
Final grant report due April 20, 2022. However, due to COVID-19 and the uncertainty of school times we are flexible with the grant report due date, please contact us if you should need to make alternate arrangements.

IDEAS: Enhancement and development of outdoor learning areas or nature trails; pollinator garden, edible garden, habitat restoration projects; aquatic labs, construction materials; seating; purchase of native plants; soil; soil amendments; demonstration sites; and field guide purchases are acceptable. Contact Kelly if you have questions about your project idea.

The committee will NOT fund textbooks, travel, software/apps, or beautification projects.

WE PROVIDE: Funds, design and vegetation recommendations, suggested maintenance plan (upon request), educational signs

YOU PROVIDE: Man-power to establish space, final grant report, a picture or video of the space being utilized, agree to keep signage posted and space maintained for at least 5 years

HOW TO APPLY: Complete the attached application in paper or [digital form](#) and return to the Piedmont Soil & Water Conservation District, 100B Dominion Drive, Farmville, VA 23901 or email it to katkinson@piedmontswcd.org. For more information contact us via the email listed above or call (434) 392-3782 ext 132.

**PIEDMONT SOIL & WATER OUTDOOR SPACE MINI-GRANT
2021-2022 Application**

Please return completed application on or before *October 28, 2021*, to Piedmont Soil & Water Conservation District, 100B Dominion Drive, Farmville, VA 23901, by email to katkinson@piedmontswcd.org or submit [Google Form](#).

I. Name of Applicant _____

Mailing Address _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Name of School _____

Grade & Subject Taught _____

II. Project Title _____

Project Description (Include information on how this space fits into conservation education, lesson topics this space will enhance, anticipated participants.) Attach additional information as needed.

III. Project Planning (Include information about who will assist in setting up this space, and how the space will be maintained.)

IV. Project Budget:

Amount Requested from PSWCD Conservation Grant Fund _____

(Keep track of all expenditures as you will need to submit a detailed list in the final grant report.)

V. What will you purchase with this money? _____

VI. Future Plans (Do you foresee growing this space in the future? If so, how?)

Signature of Applicant

Date

**PIEDMONT SOIL & WATER OUTDOOR CLASSROOM MINI-GRANT
2021-2022 Evaluation**

Please complete this project evaluation form by April 20, 2022, unless alternate arrangements have been made. Return the form to Piedmont Soil and Water Conservation District, 100B Dominion Drive, Farmville, VA 23901, email to katkinson@piedmontswcd.org, or complete the [Google Form](#).

Please provide a picture or video of the outdoor classroom being utilized*. Attach any additional information as needed.

Applicant's Name: _____

Project's Name: _____

I. Itemize the expenditures

Item	Amount
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total Funds Spent	\$ _____
Total of Grant	\$ _____

II. Describe how your students or audience benefited from the grant funded project or event.

III. Describe how you anticipate this project will continue to benefit students and teachers.

IV. How many and what demographic audience (i.e. elementary, middle, high school aged students, etc) has benefitted from this project?

I certify that I spent the Conservation Grant in the manner described above.

Signature: _____

*by submitting images you are granting the PSWCD permission to use these images in our future publications

Reviewed by Education Committee on _____ Committee Chairman Signature _____