



ESCOLA TEACHER INCENTIVE GRANT

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Escola Teacher Incentive Grant
c/o Deborah McGee Mifflin, MFLA Awards Chair
9414 St. Andrews Way
Silver Spring, MD 20901-3722
mifflind@jhu.edu

GUIDELINES:

- I.** The purpose of this activity is for MFLA to provide financial support to teachers who have particular classroom-related materials or activities which they wish to develop or refine. Projects such as the following are acceptable: video tapes / DVDs, slide/tape presentations, written instructional units, handbooks for students, internet/web activities, computer programs, and similar instructional resources.
- II.** An award may be distributed annually to a classroom teacher of foreign language. **The recipient must be a current member of MFLA and may teach at any instructional level.**
- III.** Members of the Awards Committee of the MFLA Board will review applications, select nominees, and recommend the recipient to the Board, using specified criteria approved by the Board.
- IV.** Criteria to be used in evaluating proposals are:
 - A.** Clear relationship to classroom instruction and benefits to students/other teachers (20 points)
 - B.** Novel or innovative approach to topic. This may include the use of technology. (20 points)
 - C.** Clear statement of project objectives, procedures and assessment (20 points)
 - D.** Appropriateness for use with students of all abilities (20 points)
 - E.** Communicative or proficiency orientation of project (20 points)
- V.** Proposal must include all information required on the application form in order to be evaluated by the Awards Committee who will determine the merits of each project.
- VI.** The Escola Teacher Incentive Grant will be in the amount of \$500, plus an additional amount up to \$500.00 to cover materials, supplies, other expenses. Receipts must be submitted to the Awards Committee Chair. Recipients will not be eligible to receive the award more than once.
- VII.** The MFLA Board will receive the report of the Awards Committee once per year (Spring) and authorize payment of \$500.00 at that time. The remaining amount will be paid upon completion of the project submission of the results by September 1 to the Committee.
- VIII.** The recipient must agree to share the results of the project/activity with other foreign language teachers via:
 - A.** A presentation at the MFLA Fall Conference and/or
 - B.** An article in the MFLA newsletter



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NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PREFERRED EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

SCHOOL NAME AND ADDRESS _____

SCHOOL PHONE: _____ SCHOOL FAX: _____

SCHOOL E-MAIL: _____

LANGUAGE(S) YOU TEACH: _____

_____ YES, I AM A CURRENT MEMBER OF MARYLAND FOREIGN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION (MFLA)

Escola Teacher Incentive Grant

Date: _____

To be completed by the Awards Committee when evaluating application.

Name of Applicant: _____

Year/Title of Project: _____

- MFLA Member
- Completed Proposal

Criteria:

Clear relationship to classroom instruction & benefits to students / other teachers	5	10	15	20
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Comments:

Novel or innovative approach to topic	5	10	15	20
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Comments:

Clear statement of project objectives, procedures & assessment	5	10	15	20
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Comments:

Appropriateness for use with students of all abilities	5	10	15	20
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Comments:

Communicative or proficiency orientation of project	5	10	15	20
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Comments:

Total Score _____ **/ 100 points** **Final Disposition:** _____