

Schools can access a variety of federal, state, and private grants to fund programming for health, wellness, STEM, and nutrition. Key funding opportunities for 2025–2026 include USDA Farm to School grants, No Kid Hungry grants, and various STEM-focused initiatives.

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Here are the specific types of grants and links based on the areas requested:

## 1. Health, Wellness, & Mental Health Support

- [School-Based Mental Health Services Grant Program \(DOE\)](#): Increases credentialed mental health service providers in Local Educational Agencies (LEAs).
- [Mental Health Service Professional Demonstration Grant Program](#): Supports partnerships to train and hire school-based mental health service providers.
- **Trauma Recovery Demonstration Grant Program**: Assists students from low-income families experiencing trauma in accessing services.
- [Action for Healthy Kids \(AFHK\) Grants](#): Funds student wellness, physical activity, and social-emotional health.
- [School-Based Wellness Center Grants \(California\)](#): Funds on-campus health, behavioral health, and suicide prevention services.



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## 2. Food Education, Nutrition, & Food Insecurity

- [No Kid Hungry Grants](#): Provides funding for school breakfast programs, grab-and-go meals, and food insecurity initiatives.
- [Patrick Leahy Farm to School Grant Program \(USDA\)](#): Funds projects that connect students to local food through education, gardens, and field trips.
- [California Farm to School Incubator Grant Program](#): Supports nutrition education and sustainable food procurement.
- [Kitchen Infrastructure and Training \(KIT\) Grant \(California\)](#): Funds equipment upgrades to improve meal quality, specifically for freshly prepared onsite meals.
- [Team Nutrition Grant \(USDA\)](#): Supports nutrition education for Pre-K-12 schools.

## 3. STEM Programming (After School & In-School)

- **Afterschool Alliance STEM Funding**: Provides resources and grants for after-school STEM programs (e.g., robotics, 3D printing, AI).
- **Toshiba America Foundation Grants**: Funds innovative STEM projects, with grants under \$5,000 for K-5 and 6-12.
- **STEM Action Grants (Society for Science)**: Provides up to \$5,000 for non-profits and schools conducting community-driven STEM.
- **STEM Research Grants**: Supports middle/high school teachers with up to \$5,000 for equipment.

- **Kid Spark Education STEM Grants:** Provides hands-on STEM learning for elementary/middle schools in underserved communities.
- [DonorsChoose.org](https://www.donorschoose.org): Crowdfunding platform for teachers to fund classroom projects in STEM, renewable energy, and robotics.



## 4. After School & Early Childhood Education

- [21st Century Community Learning Centers \(21st CCLC\) \(California\)](#): Funds academic enrichment, including after-school safety and enrichment programs.
- **After School Education and Safety (ASES) Grant:** Provides funding for before- and after-school programs.
- **Early Intervention Preschool Grant (EIPG) (California):** Provides funding for early childhood education.



## General Grant Search Resources

- [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov): The central clearinghouse for all federal grant opportunities.

- **State Department of Education (CDE) Funding:** Look for your specific educational grant opportunities and application submission sites.
- [Instrumental/GrantStation](#): Curated databases for finding active STEM and community grants.