

Grant Guidelines for Student Trips, Conferences, and Competitions

For the Kellogg Youth Advisory Fund of the Hillsdale County Community Foundation (Adopted November 2013, Revised January 2025)

The YOUTH give priority to trips meeting the following criteria:

- There is a strong educational/academic component to the experience
- Support the core academic activities (tied to specific classroom lessons)
- The group will serve as ambassadors for the community
- There is an apparent long term effect on the community (measurable and demonstrated impact)
- Serves a population with special needs and/or limited opportunities
- Occurs within the state of Michigan
- Additional funds are raised by the requesting organization (the YOUTH are not the sole/primary source of funding)

Lower priority is given to:

- Annual, regularly occurring events
- Out-of-state trips
- Trips for competitions
- Low number of students participating

Generally, there is a cap of \$2,000 per trip; this depends on the number of students participating, core cost of the trip, and if guideline criteria are met.

The YOUTH will not fund costs for adult chaperones, parents, or teachers.

