

The Challenger Learning Center of Kentucky will have an Appalachian Regional Commission grant available for the 2008-2009 school year to assist school districts and/or individual schools in our service area to partially offset the expense of participating in Challenger Learning Center programs. This application form is being provided to you in expectation that your school district will apply for this pool of funds.

The grant funds will be disbursed on a competitive basis using information supplied by you from your district/school and decided upon by an impartial committee of Challenger Learning Center of Kentucky board of director members. A formula has been established to fairly and judicially disburse the grant funds based on established priorities such as a district/school's current academic performance, socioeconomic needs, past and anticipated future participation in Challenger programs, level of past participation, and statement of need. Dollar amount of awards will be based on estimated transportation costs to the center and could range from \$100 to \$500 per mission dependent upon distance from the center and the number of applicants and awards. Awarded dollars can be used to either pay for transportation and/or program costs.

If you have any questions about this application or the selection process you can call me (800-246-7521, Extension 73050) or email me at [Tom.Cravens@kctcs.edu](mailto:Tom.Cravens@kctcs.edu).

Challenger/ARC Grant Application

Name of school district \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Schools for which I am applying: \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like to bring a total of \_\_\_\_\_ mission groups (20-30 students) to the Challenger Learning Center.

My school district/school has participated in the simulated mission program at the Challenger Learning Center of Kentucky for the past \_\_\_\_\_ years.

\_\_\_\_\_ % of our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grade students have attended the center each of the years indicated above.

Please give the academic index for each of the schools in your school district for which you are applying along with an explanation of the scores.

Please describe the socioeconomic level of the school/schools for which you are applying in terms of free or reduced lunch participation or other indicators.

Describe your district or school's interest in participating in Challenger programs in future school years and any plans being made to insure sufficient funds to attend.

My school district/school is located approximately \_\_\_\_\_ away from the Challenger Learning Center of KY in Hazard.

Please supply a statement of need including why your district or school wishes to participate and what your participation will do for your students.