

## School Library Fall Semester 2021 Grants - Brief Program Description

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The Northeast Kansas Library System Staff and Executive Board enthusiastically announce a grant program exclusively for NEKLS school library members. We will offer up to \$50,000 in needs-based, competitive grants to school libraries that serve any combination of students aged K-12. All applicants must be <u>members</u> of Northeast Kansas Library System.

In recognition of the continued importance digital resources play in education, this year's grant program is designed to help school libraries obtain or maintain electronic resources for use by students and/or staff during the Fall 2021 semester.

The State Library of Kansas currently offers a rich array of electronic resources for all Kansas residents. (For a list of state library resources, see Online Databases <a href="https://kslib.info/221/Online-Databases">https://kslib.info/221/Online-Databases</a> and Digital Book eLending <a href="https://kslib.info/128/Digital-Book-eLending">https://kslib.info/128/Digital-Book-eLending</a>.) Resources purchased using funds from this grant program must not duplicate state library resources.

Individual schools may apply for a lump-sum amount in grant funds, based on school population. A 10% school financial match is required, either through administration or donated funds. Several schools per district may be awarded grant funds. Consideration will be given to NEKLS member schools that have not received grant funds within the past five years, though all members are encouraged to apply.

## Lump-sum grants will be awarded based on school population:

School enrollment (Spring 2020 semester)	Grant amount	Minimum matching amount
Up to 500 students	\$750	\$75
501 to 1500 students	\$1,500	\$150
1501 or more students	\$2,000	\$200

Applications are due at 8:00am on August 2, 2021. For more information about NEKLS services to schools, contact Anna Foote, Youth and School Services Consultant, <a href="mailto:afoote@nekls.org">afoote@nekls.org</a>.

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