# **GRANT APPLICATION**

# ADVANCED ON-CAMPUS STRUCTURE/EQUIPMENT

# HOW LONG IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

Please allow 6 weeks for applications to be reviewed.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year. Annual funds are limited, so we encourage applicants to submit their completed applications as soon as possible.

To receive funding in time, applications should be submitted at least 6 weeks from the date of your field trip/program or construction start date.

# HOW CAN I ACKNOWLEDGE THE COMMISSION?

We receive our funding from donations, as well as non-recurring state funds.

If your application is successful, you may wish to acknowledge the Commission's support. For example you might:

Mention us in your newsletter, website or magazine.

Share photos of your field trip/program on social media and tag us @GoOutsideNC.

Acknowledge us at your official structure opening.

Approach local newspapers, radio stations about our support.

Erect plaques (provided by the Commission), or signs with our logo around your premises/ facilities.

To clarify your grant eligibility or for more help, visit **www.GoOutside.nc.gov** or email **GoOutside@nc.gov** This form is an application for funding form the North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission.



# CHECKLIST

# Have you reviewed and understood our guidelines?

Ensure you have read our guidelines in full before submitting your application. Current guidelines can be viewed and downloaded from www.GoOutside@nc.gov/go-grants/apply

# Is your organization eligible?

In order to be eligible your organization must be a North Carolina K-12 school (public, private, or charter) or a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit whose mission and values align with our own.

### If you are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, have you completed the Nonprofit Application Supplement form?

To be considered for grant funding, 501(c) (3) nonprofit organizations are required to submit this form in addition to their application form. This does not apply to schools that have nonprofit status, who may submit just the application.

# Is your request something we can fund?

We fund a wide range of outdoor-related expenses but cannot fund playground structures, beautification projects, and sports/gym equipment (with some exceptions). You can view the full list of expenses that we cannot fund in the GO Grant guidelines.

# Have you attached cost evidence?

For example: quotes from contractors and suppliers or equipment shopping lists. Please note that we cannot provide additional funds to an existing grant once it has been awarded.

# Have you attached information detailing the location of your structure?

Please provide a location mockup (photo/sketch) and check that you have the necessary permits for construction.

# Have you answered every question and signed the application form?

If you're the person filling out this form, you must belong to or be employed by the applicant organization and have the authority to answer any questions we may have. Please note we cannot accept incomplete applications.

# Important note for 501(c)(3) nonprofits working with schools:

This application form must be signed by the teacher, principal, and bookkeeper of the school that you are working with. The Nonprofit Application Supplement form must be signed by *your* organization. This does not apply to schools that have nonprofit status, who may submit just the application.

# Have you attached a completed Sub-W9 to your application?

Not to be confused with a W9. We require a Sub-W9 in order to pay out funds to grantees. If your organization/school has received a grant from us in the past two years, you do not need to attach your Sub W-9.

# Do you understand that if your application changes, you must submit an Amendment Form?

Any alteration, before or after funding, such as a change in project timeline, location, equipment, or point of contact must be detailed on an Amendment Form and submitted to us for approval prior to funding being spent. Amendment Forms can be downloaded from www.GoOutside.nc.gov.go-grants/apply

Do you understand that unapproved or improper use of funds, or if you have funds leftover, they must be returned to us? Improper spending includes deviations from an approved grant application, or spending of funds prior to approval of an Amendment Form. Contact us or go to www.GoOutside@nc.gov to learn how to return unspent funds.

# IF YOU'VE CHECKED ALL THE ABOVE, YOU'RE READY TO START!

# GRANT APPLICATION

# ADVANCED ON-CAMPUS STRUCTURE/EQUIPMENT

# 1. Full name of your organization/school:

2. County:

2a. School district (if applicable):

# 3. Your organization/school's address details:

Physical street address

City/town/zip

Mailing address (if different e.g. for a school district)

City/town/zip

Phone number

### 4. Main contact:

This is the lead person we'll contact if we have questions e.g. Teacher (if this individual changes please see our guidelines).

Name

Position/title

Email

Phone number

## 5. Administrative contact:

This is the organization/school's administrator e.g. Principal

Name

Email

Position/title

Phone number

## 6. Financial contact:

This is the person responsible for reconciling audit e.g. Bookkeeper/Accountant

### Name

Position/title

Email

Phone number

7. Date of construction/purchase:

Please be specific and tell us to the best of your ability the actual date or month for your project.

- 8. Number of students AND classes who will utilize the structure/equipment:
- 9. Grade(s) of students:

10. How often will the structure/equipment be utilized?

# 11. Please select which type of structure you are constructing

Agricultural

Aquatic Activities

Nature Trail

Archery Range

# 12. Summary of structure/equipment:

14. Please explain how you will maintain your structure and provide resources, e.g. gardening soil, in future?

# 15. Will the structure/equipment provide the opportunity to engage in outdoor recreational activities?

Activities may include (but are not limited to) archery, backpacking, camping, canoeing, climbing, hiking, fishing, horseback riding, hunting, kayaking, rafting, shooting sports, swimming, wildlife watching

Yes | No

- 15a. Please identify which of the above activities students will participate in:
- 15b. If you answered no, please explain how the activities your students will engage in align with our guidelines:
- 13. How will the structure/equipment support your curriculum and benefit the students?
- 16. Have you applied to any other organization for funding?
  - Yes | No
- 16a. If yes, please provide details (name of funding organization, date applied, outcome):
- 17. What is the total cost of the structure/ equipment?
- \$

# 18. How much are you requesting?

Award cap is \$20,000.

Note shipping and labor costs cannot exceed 15% of the total amount requested.

\$

# 19. Cost breakdown - Please show summary of cost evidence here:

e.g. Materials:	\$
e.g. Tools:	\$
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Total:	\$

# 20. Additional comments (please provide below and attach as much supporting information as possible to allow us to make an informed decision):

# 21. Has your organization/school received a grant from us in the past two years?

Yes | No

If you answered yes, you do <u>not</u> need to attach your organization/school's Sub W-9.

# **FINAL SIGN OFF**

Note: Please ensure all questions have been answered, that you have reviewed our guidelines in full, and that your application is fully signed before submission. Please note we can only accept applications as digitally signed PDFs and hardcopies (or faxes of original hardcopies) - we cannot accept photocopies/photographs of applications.

- We confirm that any funds received as a result of this application will be used only for the purpose and quotes for which they were approved and that we will send copies of all invoices, receipts, and bank statements within 30 days of expenditure, proving they have been paid. We will return any money we don't spend to the N.C. Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission.
- We agree to use funds within 60 days of receiving them, unless an amendment has been approved by the N.C. Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission.
- We agree to comply with requests from staff of the N.C. Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission for further information regarding the receipt and use of funds.
- We confirm that we have reviewed the Go Outside Grant guidelines in full. Furthermore we agree to comply with all Go Outside Grant guidelines.

# We declare that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and that we have the authority to make this application on behalf of our group:

Signature 1: Main contact (e.g. Teacher)	Date	
Full name		
Position/title		
Signature 2: Administrative contact (e.g. Principal)	Date	
Full name		
Position/title		
Signature 3: Financial contact (e.g. Bookkeeper/Accountant)	Date	
Full name		

### Position/title

# HAVE YOU COMPLETED EVERYTHING?

Please complete the checklist to ensure you have attached everything we need. Send your completed application and any attachments directly to:

EMAIL	
GoOutside@nc.gov	

FAX 919-707-0148

POSTAL N.C. Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission 1715 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699

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### NC Office of the State Controller Substitute W-9 Instructions

### **General Instructions**

For General Instructions, please refer to the IRS Form W-9 located on the IRS Website (https://www.irs.gov/).

### **Specific Instructions**

### Section 1 - Taxpayer Identification

1. Taxpayer Identification Type. Check the type of identification number provided in box 2.

2. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). Enter taxpayer's nine-digit Employer Identification Number (EIN), Social Security Number (SSN), or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) without dashes.

Note: If an LLC has one owner, the LLC's default tax status is "disregarded entity". If an LLC has two owners, the LLC's default tax status is "partnership". If an LLC has elected to be taxed as a corporation, it must file IRS Form 2553 (S Corporation) or IRS Form 8832 (C Corporation).

3. Unique Entity Identifier or DUNS Number. Suppliers are requested to enter their Unique Entity ID number or DUNS Number created in SAM.gov, if applicable.

4. Legal Name. Enter the legal name as registered with the IRS or Social Security Administration. For individuals, enter the name of the person who will do business with the State of NC as it appears on the Social Security Card or other required Federal tax documents. An organization should enter the name shown on its charter or other legal documents that created the organization. Do not abbreviate names. Do not enter a DBA or Disregarded Entity Name on this line.

5. Business Name. Business, Disregarded Entity, trade, or DBA ("doing business as") name.

### **Contact Information**

### 6. Enter your Legal Address.

7. Enter your Remittance Address, if applicable. A Remittance Address is the location in which you or your entity receives business payments.

- 8. Enter the Contact Name.
- 9. Enter your Business Phone Number.
- 10. Enter your Fax Number, if applicable.
- 11. Enter your Email Address.
- For clarification on IRS Guidelines, see www.irs.gov.
- 12. Entity Type. Select the appropriate entity type.
- 13. Entity Classification. Select the appropriate classification type.

### Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the Exemptions box, any code(s) that may apply to you. See Exempt payee code and Exemption from FATCA reporting code below.

14. Exempt payee code. Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends. Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.

Note. If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding:

1 - An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)

- 2 The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3 A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions, or instrumentalities
- 4 A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5 A corporation
- 6 A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States
- 7 A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8 - A real estate investment trust

- 9 An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10- A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11 A financial institution
- 12 A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13 A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

### NC Office of the State Controller Substitute W-9 Instructions

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

If the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt for
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 <sup>2</sup>
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

<sup>1</sup> See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney, and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

**Exemption from FATCA reporting code.** The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements.

A - An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B - The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C - A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D - A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Reg. section 1.1472- 1(c)(1)(i)

E - A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Reg. section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F - A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as

such under the laws of the United States or any state

G - A real estate investment trust

H - A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I - A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J - A bank as defined in section 581

K - A broker

L - A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M - A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

### Section 2 - Certification

To establish to the paying agency that your TIN is correct, you are not subject to backup withholding, or you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign the certification on NC Substitute Form W-9. You are being requested to sign by the State of North Carolina.

For additional information please refer to the IRS Form W-9 located on the IRS Website (https://www.irs.gov/).