

No Place for Hate[®] Grant Guidelines

TAKE THE LEAD Project

Anti-Defamation League *No Place for Hate*[®] Overview

The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) was founded in 1913 “to stop the defamation of the Jewish people and to secure justice and fair treatment to all.” Now the nation’s premier civil rights/human relations agency fighting anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry, ADL defends democratic ideals and protects civil rights for all. One of ADL’s most effective anti-bias programs nationwide, *No Place for Hate*[®] provides teachers and students the tools to build learning communities in which everyone is accepted, differences are appreciated and celebrated, and all members are encouraged to succeed. *No Place for Hate*[®] achieves its objective of empowering students to challenge anti-Semitism, racism, homophobia, and all forms of bigotry in their schools by providing a model for schools to respond to and prevent acts of hatred, as well as to develop projects that foster harmony and enhance mutual understanding between diverse groups.

Grant Overview

We are offering one-time grants of up to \$1000 each to elementary, middle and high schools in *No Place for Hate*[®] schools throughout Pennsylvania and Delaware to help you plan one-time *No Place for Hate*[®] projects in your school. Grant proposals from high schools and middle schools must be created and implemented by *students*, under the guidance of an adult ally. Understanding that elementary school students are not equipped to create and implement such projects on their own, grant proposals from elementary schools must be submitted by a teacher or administrator, with student input.

Projects can be tailored to the specific needs of your school and may include cultural diversity, anti-bias and anti-bullying

workshops. Sample projects can also be found in the *No Place for Hate*[®] Resource Guide for schools, which is available at www.noplaceforhate.org, but we strongly encourage you to be creative and develop your own original Project.

Who is Eligible?

Grant applicants must meet the following requirements:

Applicants must be:

- high school or middle school students at Pennsylvania or Delaware *No Place for Hate*[®] schools **OR**
- elementary school teachers or administrators who currently work at a Pennsylvania or Delaware *No Place for Hate*[®] school **AND**
- current students in the 2007-2008 school year and the 2008-2009 school year. Students who are graduating before completion of the Project may participate in the application process and Project but may not be the Project Leader.

Application Process and Timeline

- Complete application and submit to the ADL *No Place for Hate*[®] office by **May 12, 2008**.
- Applications will be reviewed by a panel of judges consisting of ADL staff, ADL Board members and lay leaders, and media partners.
- Grant recipients will be informed via email and official letter by **May 29, 2008**.
- Grant recipients will be required to submit a mid-project update by **October 6, 2008**. If the Project update is approved by ADL staff, grant award funds will be disbursed at this time. Failure to meet grant proposal goals may, at the sole discretion of ADL staff, disqualify the recipients from receiving grant award.

- Projects must be completed in their entirety by **December 31, 2008**.
- The Project close-out report must be completed by **February 1, 2009**.

Submission Guidelines

- Proposals must be submitted using the attached application form.
- The Grant Application Guide provides more detailed instructions for the application. **Applicants are strongly recommended to consult the planning guide before completing the application.**
- Only completed application forms will be reviewed.
- Each Project must be assigned a unique name, and the Project name must be written on each page of application in the space provided (DO NOT just call your Project, for example, XYZ School's *No Place for Hate*[®] Project).
- Applications will not be accepted without all required signatures.
- You may submit your application by email or snail mail. Please keep a copy for your own records. Materials submitted will NOT be returned to you.

Send application to:
 Anti-Defamation League
No Place for Hate[®]
 TAKE THE LEAD Project
 1617 John F. Kennedy Blvd, Suite 1160
 Philadelphia, PA 19103

Or email to: lstewart@adl.org

- There is no limit to the number of applications that may be submitted from any school.

Selection Criteria

Projects must:

- be youth created and led at the high school and middle school level, with input and guidance from an adult ally at the school, **OR** teacher or administrator led at the elementary school level, with student input.
- meet the mission of *No Place for Hate*[®], which is to create more harmonious communities and classrooms by combating bias and increasing an appreciation for the richness that diversity brings. Projects should:
 - expose young people to other cultures and faiths, celebrate diversity and promote respect for differences. Ideally, projects will help young people put current events into historical context, challenge them to think critically, instill empathy and evoke a sense of “community.”
 - be school-wide. Not every student needs to participate in every project, but projects should be open to all students or affect the student body as a whole; the end result must have an impact on the entire school. For example, using grant funding to simply send 10 students to the Holocaust Museum in Washington, DC, is not expansive enough to receive grant funding. However, sending 10 students to the Holocaust Museum, who will then bring back lessons to a larger audience in the school will qualify.
 - be inclusive. When planning a Project, please be sensitive to the needs or restrictions of participants. Is the event being planned for a day that would restrict participation by some students because of religious observance? Will students with special needs have access? Who may feel excluded?
 - have attainable goals and realistic budget.