

## Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. What's new and different for 2018-19?

- Inside Education has adopted A+ for Energy as one of its major program areas. We will be managing all aspects of the program going forward. BP Canada, as founding partner of A+ for Energy, is still providing the majority of the grant funds for the coming school year.

### 2. Applying for a Grant

- The *maximum* amount of A+ for Energy Grants for 2018-19 will be **\$5000**.
- The application process has changed - a new application form is available [online](#).
- Note that the grading rubric *has not changed* from the 2017 version.
- All questions related to the grant should be addressed to Inside Education @ [aplusforenergy@insideeducation.ca](mailto:aplusforenergy@insideeducation.ca)
- The firm application deadline is Friday, May 11 @ 4:30 pm; successful recipients will be informed by May 25.

### 3. What are the Focus Areas for A+ for Energy?

- A+ for Energy is, and always has been, about *energy*. This year a particular focus will be on projects with broad reach within your school and community as well as those that will feature **measurable energy efficiency/conservation and greenhouse gas emission reductions**.
- Please note that any projects focusing on gardens and/or growing plants will not be considered under the A+ for Energy project.
- Cross-curricular approaches must be addressed in the application.
- Extending and building upon existing A+ for Energy programs will be allowed this year, though you will need to specifically identify what need the additional funds will meet.

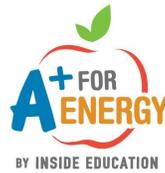
### 4. What requirements are there for project reporting?

- New for 2018-19 will be a requirement for 'check in' reports through the school year. These will be simple, tracking-based reporting and will coincide with receiving *portions* of the grant funding. You will be asked to contribute to an ongoing, Google document marking progress and conservation/GHG emission reductions. We promise it won't be arduous, but it will be new, and will be required.
- The final report for the project will be due by the end of June, 2019. In addition to a summary of expenses, a *video report* will be required to be developed and submitted to Inside Education.



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## 5. Is there still a teacher's conference associated with A+ for Energy?

- Yes! Successful teachers will be expected to attend a two-day Inside Education teacher professional program tentatively scheduled for August 27-28, 2018 in Calgary. In addition to the 'lead' teacher, a second/colleague teacher will be invited to participate at no cost.
- This conference be all-expenses paid - though unlike previous years, families will not be invited to attend and accommodations in Calgary will be double-occupancy.
- Included in the August Teacher's Conference will be a celebration dinner for A+ for Energy recipients and project supporters.

## 6. How will the grant funding will work?

- While \$5000 will be the maximum grant available, Inside Education and the 2018 A+ Judges reserve the right to award funding other than the amount the application identifies. Note that the total amount of funding available has been reduced from previous years.
- Cheques will be provided by Inside Education following this breakdown:
  - **September 2018** - 70% of grant funds provided
  - **December 19, 2019** - 20% of upon completion of summary
  - **June 15, 2019** - 10% of funding upon submission of financial report + final report video



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