

# National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA)

## Gulf Coast Chapter

### 2020-2021 ACCErator Grants Program

The NDIA Gulf Coast Chapter (NDIA GCC) is pleased to announce the continuation of the ACCErator Grants Program. The focus of this program is to foster enthusiasm for science, technology, engineering and math in our local school children. The program seeks to accomplish this by offering grants up to \$1000 to local schoolteachers and tax-exempt/non-profit organizations who successfully propose projects or programs which demonstrate creativity and innovation in teaching and encouraging an interest in science, technology, engineering and math.

ACCEL grant applications will be accepted by email *until close-of-business (4:30 p.m. CDT) on Friday, 2 October 2020*. A NDIA Gulf Coast Chapter committee will meet to select the most deserving projects and the recipients will be notified during mid to late October. The number of grants will be dependent on funding. NDIA GCC reserves the right to cancel this program at any time. Grants made **prior** to cancellation will not be affected by cancellation.

### Application Guidelines

**Goal:** To foster enthusiasm for science, technology, engineering and math in our local school children.

**Eligibility:** Applications will be accepted from local schools and from tax exempt/non-profit organizations seeking to advance math and science learning for local children. ACCEL Grants are limited to \$1,000 per applicant. Exceptions will be very limited and at the discretion of the NDIA awards committee.

**Dates:**

**2 October 2020.** Application Submittal Deadline to: Tom Hancock at [Tomjean@cox.net](mailto:Tomjean@cox.net); cc: John Wilcox at [john.s.wilcox@ngc.com](mailto:john.s.wilcox@ngc.com)

**Mid to Late October 2020.** Recipients notified.

**NLT 31 May 2021.** Selectees Submit 1–2 page summary of project results, include pictures that can be posted on our website if possible to: Tom Hancock at [Tomjean@cox.net](mailto:Tomjean@cox.net) ; cc: John Wilcox at [john.s.wilcox@ngc.com](mailto:john.s.wilcox@ngc.com).

## Application Information

To be considered, ACCEL grant applications must include all of the following information:

1. A completed Applicant Information Form, which includes a commitment to provide project summary with feedback on project results, with applicant and supervisor signatures. **The application will not be accepted without submission of the signed form. *Please do not include salaries in any grant request—ACCEL Grants cannot be used to cover salary requests***
2. A one-page description of the proposed project or program for 2020/2021.
3. Up to two pages of supporting information to justify the requested grant amount for the proposed project. Include prices and any other information, such as pictures and figures to support the validity and usefulness of the grant.
4. For 2019-2020 ACCEL Grant awardees, the submission of the 2019-2020 ACCEL project summary (if not previously submitted).

## Evaluation Criteria

NDIA GCC evaluators will evaluate grant applications according to the following criteria:

1. Promotes interest in and passion for mathematics and science.
2. Makes learning mathematics and science more fun.
3. Demonstrates real-life application of mathematics and science.
4. Exposes students to representative career fields in mathematics and science.
5. Significant use of “hands-on” activities.
6. Completeness of the application package.
7. Age of students benefitted.
8. Number of students benefitted.

## Application Submittal and Questions

Applicants must email completed application packages to Tom Hancock at [tomjean@cox.net](mailto:tomjean@cox.net) ;  
cc: John Wilcox at [john.s.wilcox@ngc.com](mailto:john.s.wilcox@ngc.com)

Questions:

Tom Hancock (850) 678-2105

John Wilcox (850) 226-9295

## Applicant Information Form

**Applicant:**

Name & Position Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) I received an ACCEL Grant in 2019-2020 and ( ) did ( ) did not submit 2019-2020 ACCEL project summary in May, 2020. ( ) The 2019-2020 project summary is included with this application.

**School or Organization:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Supervisor (or Equivalent):**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Requested Grant Amount:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that:**

1. I am submitting this 2020/2021 ACCEL grant application package and will notify NDIA if I am not able to use the funds as proposed, and
2. If awarded an ACCEL grant, I will provide the NDIA Gulf Coast Chapter a 1–2 page project summary of how the funds were used and the results achieved no later than 31 May 2021; and I give permission for NDIA to post any pictures I submit on their website to help promote the ACCEL program. (Pictures that can be placed on the NDIA website are encouraged; email to Tom Hancock at [Tomjean@cox.net](mailto:Tomjean@cox.net); cc John Wilcox at [john.s.wilcox@ngc.com](mailto:john.s.wilcox@ngc.com))

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**Applicant Signature (required)** **Date**

**I certify that** I have reviewed the attached application. I agree to allow the applicant to execute the project as proposed.

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**Supervisor Signature (required)** **Date**

- Attachments:**
1. One page description of project
  2. Justification for dollars requested and Supporting Descriptive Information

**Email to:** Tom Hancock at [tomjean@cox.net](mailto:tomjean@cox.net) ; cc: John Wilcox at [john.s.wilcox@ngc.com](mailto:john.s.wilcox@ngc.com).