



**Purpose:** The Bright Ideas program is designed to financially support classroom projects for which funding is currently unavailable.

**Eligibility:**

- Applicant must be a state-certified teacher.
- Certain elementary schools served by Amicalola EMC have been selected to participate in the pilot program during the 2010-2011 school year.
- Project must benefit students.
- Teacher may apply for one project per school year.
- Instructions must be followed completely.

**Subjects:** Grants are open to all subjects.

**Grant Limit:** Projects can be funded up to \$1,000.

**Deadline:** All applications must be completed and received by Amicalola EMC on or before September 15, 2010. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered. **Early bird deadline is August 31, 2010.**

**Program sponsor:** Amicalola EMC is the sponsor of the Bright Ideas grant program. Amicalola EMC is a not-for-profit electric cooperative that serves more than 45,000 locations in ten northwest Georgia counties.

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**Selection Criteria:**

- Creative learning experiences for students
- Benefits and directly involves students
- Clearly defined plan of implementation
- Teamwork among students

**If grant is awarded:**

- Grant must be used within current school year.
- Applicants are required to submit a final report about the grant.
- Winning teachers agree to give Amicalola EMC the right to use their name, photo and information about the grant in publicity.

**Please read carefully before completing!**  
**Applications will not be considered if instructions are not followed completely.**

- Do not include your name, the name of your county or school on pages **2, 3, or 4.**
- You must use this form.
- Please adhere to the word limits.
- Do not attach any supplementary materials
- All grant recipients are required to submit a final report on the outcome of grant project.



**About your project:** (Please do not include your name, the name of your county or school.)

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

Curriculum Areas: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Minimum needed to fund project: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of students to benefit from project \_\_\_\_\_

Will items purchased be used for more than one school year? \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Overview:**

Summary – give an overview of the project (Limit 150 words)



Creativity – Describe the creative elements of the project. (Limit 100 words)

Goals – What are the goals and objectives for students? (Limit 100 words)

Implementation – How will you implement this project? (Limit 100 words)



Benefits – What are the immediate and/or ongoing benefits this project will provide students?  
 (Limit 100 words)

**BUDGET**

Itemized Project Budget (required)

Item Needed	Quantity Needed	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Required? Y/N
<b>Total Project Cost (please estimate total cost to the nearest whole dollar)</b>				<b>\$</b>

Will you accept partial funding? If so, how much \_\_\_\_\_

If you receive partial funding, how will you fund the rest of your project? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Applicant Information**

Teacher Applying for Grant (first and last name) \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Grant Project \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School Where Teacher Works \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(s) Applicant Teaches \_\_\_\_\_

School Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

School Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

School City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

School Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

School Principal's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Agreement**

I am a certified teacher in an elementary school served by Amicalola EMC. My school is one of the elementary schools selected to participate in the Bright Ideas pilot program for the 2010-2011 school year. This is the only Bright Ideas application I have submitted. I have full support from my principal for this project and its implementation at my school. I agree, if I am selected, to submit a final report about the grant's outcome. I also agree that my name, photo and information about the grant may be used in publications by Amicalola EMC without compensation to me.

*Thank you for your application. All applications must be received at Amicalola EMC by September 15, 2010. Winners will be announced in October. Please make sure you have adhered to all word limits, have not included your name, or the name of your county or school on pages 2, 3, or 4 and have not attached any forms. If you have questions, please call Stacey Fields at 706-253-5287.*

