Local Elementary and Secondary Education
Enrollment Trends

Last fall, the October issue of Kent State Stark’s Grants Newsletter presented graphs with public elementary and secondary school enrollment data and trends for Stark County, Summit County, and Stark border counties (excluding Summit) from 2010 to 2017. This issue (page 2) presents updates of those charts and additional graphs displaying trends for Medina County and Ohio. Updates include the 2018 data. Each graph presents total enrollment (solid line) from 2010 to 2018 and a trend line (dotted line), which is a 3-year moving average of the total enrollment and includes an average of the current and previous two years of enrollment data. Yellow lines represent enrollment at elementary schools from grades K-6, blue depicts middle school enrollment or grades 7 and 8, and red lines represent high school enrollment from grades 9 to 12.

With some exceptions, the general trend in school enrollment for these counties and the state since 2010 is downward. Stark and its border counties generally follow this downward trend in school enrollment from 2010 to 2018. However, individual schools do not always follow this downward trend. For example, although both Jackson and Plain School Districts in Stark County had slight annual declines in student enrollment from 2017 to 2018, their enrollment has increased from 2010 to 2018.

Summit County’s enrollment trends do not follow the typical pattern. Elementary school enrollment in Summit County declined from 2010 to 2015, but has stabilized since then. Its middle school enrollment is declining but at a slower rate of decline in the last two years than previously, and high school enrollment had a sharp annual decline in 2018 after a couple years of stability.

Medina County is also not following the typical school enrollment patterns. Elementary school enrollment is declining, but middle school enrollment increased last year after declining from 2013 to 2017, and high school enrollment has been relatively stable from 2014 to 2018.

Ohio has a declining elementary school enrollment, variability in middle school enrollment with increases in two of the last three years, and declining high school enrollment from 2010 to 2014, but flat enrollment or modest declines from 2014 to 2017, with a sharper decline in 2018.
Headcount and 3-Year Moving Average Trends for Elementary, Middle School, and High School Enrollment
Stark, Summit, Medina Counties, Stark Border Counties (excluding Summit), and State

Source: Ohio Department of Education, Fall Enrollment (Headcount) – October 2010 - October 2018 Public Districts and Buildings, FY 2010 Data to Current Year Data (calculations by T. Ford). Note: Elementary is comprised of grades K-6; middle school is grades 7 and 8; high school is grades 9-12.
Kent State Stark Grant Activity Update

Table 1 displays grant submissions by quarter and outcomes and award rates for the corresponding quarterly grant submissions. Through the second month of the final quarter of fiscal year (FY) 2019, 61 grant proposals, valued at approximately $1.1 million, have been submitted. The number of submitted grants is comparable to previous years, but the dollar value of submitted grants is lower. In the three years prior to FY 2019, 61 to 64 grants were submitted annually, ranging from $1.6 to $5 million. 40 grants have been awarded to date (equivalent to FY 2018), valued at $473,865 (slightly more than FY 2018); and 8 are pending, valued at $517,258. To date, in FY 2019, Kent State Stark’s grant award rate is 76% (#) and 78% ($) and the average grant award is $11,847.

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Grant Awards

The following external grants were awarded to administrators, faculty, and staff members of Kent State Stark:

- **L. Aller, Ph.D. (c), R.N.,** Health Foundation of Greater Massillon, “Enhancing Nursing Education with a Mobile Medication-Administration Simulation Cart,” $5,787.
- **V. Pavona,** Stark County Regional Planning Commission, FY 2019 County Development Block Grant (CDBG), $31,423.
- **D. Seachrist, Ph.D.,** Health Foundation of Greater Massillon, Nursing Scholarships, $5,000.

Grant Submissions

Kent State Stark staff and faculty members submitted the following external grant proposals:

- **Paul Bagavandoss, Ph.D.,** T.E.A.L. Medical Research and Awareness Program, “Combinatorial Use of Phytochemicals to Target Ovarian Cancer Cells,” ($7,800).
Funding Opportunities for Faculty and Staff

The following is a list of grants, awards, and competitions listed by educational area with upcoming deadlines. Please contact Theresa Ford (tford15@kent.edu or x 53580) if you have any questions regarding an opportunity on this list or wish to apply to one.

Arts and Humanities

- American Philosophical Association, Diversity and Inclusiveness Funding, (up to $20,000), support of projects that increase the presence and participation of women, racial, and ethnic minorities, LGBTQ+ people, people with disabilities, people of low socio-economic status, and other underrepresented groups at all levels of philosophy; Small Grant Funding, (up to $5,000), for projects that benefit the field of philosophy, must be an APA member, deadline June 30, 2019.
- Artfully Reimagined, Reimaginelt Grant, ($100 - $500), to individual artists to help launch or support careers in repurposed art, no deadline.
- College Art Association, Millard Meiss Publication Fund, supports book-length scholarly manuscripts in the history of art, visual studies, and related subjects that have been accepted by a publisher on their merits but cannot be published in the most desirable form without a subsidy; applicant authors and presses must be institutional CAA member, deadline September 15, 2019.
- Conference on College Composition and Communication, Advancement of Knowledge Award, to honor empirical research published in the previous two years that has done the most to advance writing studies; nominee must be a member of CCCC and/or the National Council of Teachers of English, deadline July 15, 2019.
- Ohio Humanities Council, Monthly Grants ($2,000), deadline 1st business day of month; Media Planning Grants, ($2,000), deadline 1st business day of month; Cultural Heritage Tourism Planning Grant, ($2,000) deadline 1st business day of month; General Grants Program: Quarterly Grants ($5,000); and Major Grants (up to $20,000).
- Pollock-Krasner Foundation, Grants for Artists in Need, (size of award varies), dual criteria for grants are recognizable artistic merit and financial need, whether professional, personal, or both to individuals who have worked as artists over a significant period of time, deadline open.
- Smith Richardson Foundation, Inc., Strategy and Policy Fellows Program, ($60,000), supports young scholars and policy thinkers on American foreign policy, international relations, international security, military policy, and diplomatic and military history, deadline June 17, 2019.
- Women’s Studio Workshop, Art-in-Education Artist Book Residency, ($350/week stipend up to 10 weeks, $750 materials, $250 travel within US, housing, and 24/7 studio access) support for 2 emerging women artists who are interested in creating a new artist’s book and in teaching young people, deadline November 15, 2019.

Civil / Human Rights

- Arnold Ventures, Reducing Revocations Challenge (RRC), (up to $200,000 from October 1, 2019 to January 31, 2021), supports action research teams to 1) conduct in-depth research and data analysis on the drivers of probation failures and 2) identify policy and practice solutions based on the research findings, deadline June 24, 2019.

Community

- Best Buy Foundation, Community Grants, ($15,000), supports out-of-school time programs that have a fundamental commitment to under resourced youth, ages 13-18, that help teens build tech skills by utilizing technology such as computers, digital cameras, video cameras, and professional software in a wide range of areas, deadline May 31, 2019.

Financial Literacy

- National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE), Grants and Research Program for Financial Literacy, to further the field of financial education through interdisciplinary research, 2 grant cycles - deadlines June 4, 2019 and December 3, 2019.

Global Education

- 100,000 Strong in the Americas, Innovation Fund, Competition for Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador with US Higher Education Institutions, supports proposals with exchange programs that focus on Environmental Studies and Sustainability, with special emphasis on addressing solutions to environmental issues and challenges in the eligible countries, deadline August 15, 2019.
K-12 Support

- NWEA, Educators for Equity, ($10,000) to help schools foster academic growth and achievement for pre-K-12 students who face systemic barriers to academic opportunities, deadline June 30, 2019.

Multiple Disciplines and Themes

- J. M. Kaplan Fund, Furthermore Program, ($1,500-$15,000), supports nonfiction book publishing projects related to the urban experience; natural and historic resources; art, architecture, and design; cultural history; and civil liberties and other public issues, deadline September 1, 2019.
- Spencer Foundation, Small Research Grants, ($50,000), supports a range of topics and disciplines, including education, psychology, sociology, economics, history, and anthropology; research can fall in broad categories of field-initiated, the relation between education and social opportunity; teaching, learning, and instructional resources; the new civics; organizational learning in schools, school systems, and higher education systems; and purposes and values of education, deadline August 1, 2019.

Nursing & Health

- Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation, Certification Research Grant, (up to $15,000), to an exploratory, pilot, or feasibility study with the potential to lead to a larger scale project that can help build a better understanding of the impact of palliative nursing certification on patient outcomes, deadline July 1, 2019.
- Oncology Nursing Foundation, Cancer Public Education Project, (up to $5,000), to projects that enhance the public’s knowledge and awareness of cancer prevention, detection, and treatment modalities, deadline June 15, 2019.
- Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI), RN Research Grant, (up to $5,000 + $1,000 stipend to STTI Biennial Convention-November 2019), supports ongoing evidence-based study by nurse researchers on the impact of the practice of nurse-led simulation in improving quality of care in clinical and/or academic settings with potential for further funding and ongoing research, deadline July 1, 2019.

Social Sciences

- African American Success Foundation, Lydia Donaldson Tutt-Jones Memorial Research Grant, ($5,000), to students and professionals who conduct research to study African American Success, particularly in the area of education, deadline June 7, 2019.
- American Sociological Association, ASA Community Action Research Initiative Grant, (up to $3,000) for projects that bring social science knowledge and methods to bear in addressing community-based problems, deadline August 31, 2019.
- Arnold Ventures, Reducing Revocations Challenge (RRC), (up to $200,000 from October 1, 2019 to January 31, 2021), supports action research teams to 1) conduct in-depth research and data analysis on the drivers of probation failures and 2) identify policy and practice solutions based on the research findings, deadline June 24, 2019.
- Public Welfare Foundation, Criminal and Social Justice Programs, supports groups working on sentencing reform at the state level and working on ending the criminalization and over-incarceration of youth in the US and policy and system reforms to improve the lives of low-wage working people in the US, deadline rolling (Letters of Intent).
- Retirement Research Foundation, Responsive Grants: Projects in Aging, includes advocacy projects, professional education and training projects, and research projects with national relevance, deadlines June 15, 2019 (option letter of inquiry, will receive feedback) and August 1, 2019 (full proposal).
- Russell Sage Foundation, Small Grants in Behavioral Economics, to support high quality research in behavioral economics and to encourage young investigators to enter this developing field, deadline rolling.
- Smith Richardson Foundation, Domestic Public Policy Program, ($25,000 - $104,000), supports projects that help the public and policy makers understand and address critical challenges facing the United States, deadline open (Concept Paper).
- Smith Richardson Foundation, Policy Analysis Research, ($60,000), supports young scholars and thinkers on American foreign policy, international relations and security, or diplomatic and military history in support of efforts to conduct research and write a book, deadline June 17, 2019.
- Sociological Initiatives Foundation, Sociological Research, (up to $20,000), supports research projects focused on social policy; institutional and educational practices; linguistic issues (e.g., literacy, language loss and maintenance, language policy, language and national security, bilingualism, language and gender, language and law, language disabilities, language and health, language and education, different language cultures); and community capacity and the organization of previously unorganized groups, deadline August 16, 2019 (concept proposals).
Social Sciences (continued)

- US Department of Defense, Minerva Research Initiative, ($150,000 to $1,000,000/year for 3 years) supports questions of strategic significance to US national security policy; seeks to increase the Department’s intellectual capital in the social sciences and improve its ability to address future challenges and build bridges between the Department and the social science community, deadlines June 20, 2019 (white paper—strongly suggested) and September 26, 2019 (full proposal).

Special Collections/Research Libraries – Travel & Research Grants

Please note that many of these grants encourage scholars to call the library before applying, and many have specific time periods covered by the fellowship for library/collections use. Listed in order of upcoming deadlines; those with no deadlines are listed first.

- Langum Charitable Trust, Langum Travel to Collections Initiative, (up to $1,500), supports travel and living expenses of scholars who wish to use the Langum Family Papers or the de Mattos family Papers, both of which are located at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, deadline continuous.

- Smith College Libraries, Grants for Researchers, ($1,000 - $2,500)
  - Margaret Storrs Grierson Fellowship, Friends of the Smith College Libraries Fellowship, and German Fellowship, for research in the Sophia Smith Collection and College Archives, to support 4-6 week visits, ($2,500).
  - Mortimer Fellowship, for research in the Mortimer Rare Book Collection, ($1,000).
  - Travel-to-Collections Awards, ($1,000) to offset travel expenses for researchers in Special Collections at Smith College and to support researchers at the pre-proposal stage who would like to survey holdings.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact Amy Hague, Research Services Archivist, (ahague@smith.edu) before applying, no application deadline.

- University of Southern California Libraries, Grants,
  - Research Grants for German Exile Studies, for scholars whose work would benefit from access to German exile study materials, no deadline.

- University of Nebraska, Western History Association – Huntington Library Martin Ridge Fellowship, ($3,500), for 1-month continuous residence, deadline June 15, 2019.

- University of Connecticut, Thomas J. Dodd Research Center, Rose and Sigmund Strochlitz Travel Grants, ($1,500), deadline June 30, 2019.


- Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation, Moody Research Grants, ($600–$3,000), supports travel/per diem spent conducting research at the LBJ Library, deadlines September 15, 2018 and March 15.

- University of Southern California Libraries, Grants,
  - Wallis Annenberg Research Grants, (up to $1,000), to scholars whose work would benefit from access to primary source materials held in the USC Libraries archival and book collections, deadline September 15 or March 15.

STEM, Environment

- American Association for the Advancement of Science, AAAS Early Career Award for Public Engagement with Science, recognizes early-career scientists and engineers who demonstrate excellence in their contribution to public engagement with science activities, deadline for nomination is August 1, 2019, or AAAS Award for Public Engagement with Science, deadline for nomination is August 1, 2019.

- Muskingum Watershed Conservancy Foundation (MWCD), MWCD Grants, supports conservation, outdoor recreation, and other issues that relate to the MWCD’s mission for projects on or adjacent to Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (MWCD) lands and waters, deadlines June 30, September 30, December 31, and March 30.

- National Geographic, Participatory Science, (up to $30,000), supports the development or innovative use of data-driven, technology-powered tools that increase the understanding, preservation, and protection of our planet – tools that support citizen science work, particularly data collection or data analysis, in ways that create learning experience for citizen scientists, including students, deadline rolling.
**STEM, Environment (continued)**

- Ohio EPA, [Ohio Environmental Education Fund](#), (up to $5,000 – mini grant; $5,000 - $50,000 –general grant), 5 targeted areas of focus: (deadlines July 9, 2019 for letter of intent and July 16, 2019 for application)
  1. Projects that encourage pre-school through university students to explore careers in the environmental sciences and environmental engineering
  2. Projects that encourage and explain the importance of habitat restoration efforts to increase biodiversity and improve air and water quality
  3. Projects that demonstrate and encourage the reduction of air emissions
  4. Projects that demonstrate and encourage the use of innovative storm management practices
  5. Projects that demonstrate and encourage best management practices for nutrients, including targeted efforts to reduce nutrient loadings to rivers and streams from urban and rural areas

- Ohio Space Grant Consortium, [Student-Innovative-Creative-Hands-On Project](#) (SICHOP), ($5,000 with 1:1 match where unrecovered or waived indirect costs can count as match), for undergraduate student hands-on projects with a faculty mentor, deadline: proposals accepted at any time.

- Waste Management, [Charitable Giving](#), programs that WM is most motivated to support: environment (renewable resources, conservation, preservation/enhancement of natural resources), environmental education targeted at middle and high school students, including Earth Day projects, and causes important to the areas where WM operates, deadline rolling.

- Woodard & Curran Foundation, [Impact Grant](#), ($100,000 over 3 years), supports an innovative project that applies or advances technology to a pressing water issue (e.g. water, wastewater, stormwater), deadline June 30, 2019.

**Sustainability**

- New Earth Foundation, [Earth-Sustaining Projects](#), supports environmental initiatives aimed at eliminating pollution and saving the planet’s ecosystems, community efforts that create models of social sustainability, education innovations that prepare youth to become socially responsible leaders of the future, and strategies that offer economic improvement and opportunities, deadlines July 1, 2019 (letter of inquiry) and October 1, 2019 (full proposal).

**Solving a significant critical problem of our time**

- John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, [100&Change](#), ($100,000,000), supports a bold proposal that will deliver measurable progress toward solving a significant critical problem of our time, deadline July 16, 2019 (registration deadline) and August 6, 2019 (application deadline).