



# The New York State Retired Teachers' Association, Inc.

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## GRADUATE STUDY GRANT FOR EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONALS APPLICATION FORM

For over fifty years The New York State Retired Teachers' Association has served the needs of many of the retired educators in your area. This graduate study grant opportunity is a result of an initiative sponsored by The New York State Retired Teachers' Association. By helping active educational professionals we have an opportunity to advance a vital part of our mission which is to "insure excellence in education for the children of New York State".

**Please print or type.**

1. Name (First, M. I. and Last)
2. Home address and zip code
3. Contact phone (      ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_
4. School District Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position in the district? \_\_\_\_\_
5. School building address - zip code \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_
6. Work phone # (      ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_
7. School Superintendent's name, phone and e-mail address.
8. Immediate school supervisor, Principal **or** Department Chair's name, phone and e-mail address
9. **Required Graduate Program information**
  - Name of the college/ university you are attending.
  - Verification that you are matriculating in a course of study leading to a Masters Degree, CAS or other advanced degree with eligibility as a candidate for professional educational certification in New York State.
  - Graduate school advisor contact name and information.

## 10. Written Verification Required

Please have a school official(s) provide written verification/confirmation on the district letterhead indicating the following:

- fulltime employment and the duration of your employment in the district
- successful completion of undergraduate program
- confirmation of your provisional teaching certificate
- your recent or present matriculation in a graduate program

**\* Written verification from the college/school district that the course was successfully completed is required before the graduate study grant check is sent.**

## 11. Additional information requested:

As part of the criteria which you must satisfy to be awarded the \$1000.00 grant for graduate study, we require you to answer the following questions as a way for the NYSRTA Graduate Study Grant Committee to learn more about you. Please use the space provided except for section C.

### A. Leadership and/or Community Service

List five examples of awards and/or community service. The awards should be related to the performance of your duties as an educator. If you are a recent entrant to the teaching field, you may provide evidence of exemplary achievements from your college/university years. The (detailed) community service should be non-paid activities in school or the community at large.

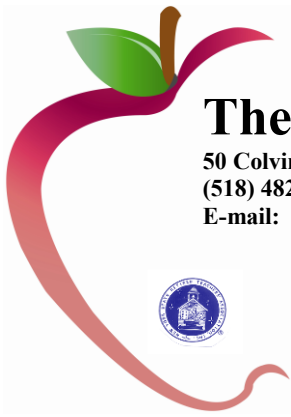
### B. Financial Need

Please list in detail any life circumstances that make the pursuit of your degree especially difficult from a financial perspective. Also list any other monetary grants or graduate assistantships that you have applied for or received that will help to defray some of your educational expenses.

### C. Essay

Please choose one of the following questions on which to write a brief statement of 50-100 words. (Comments will not be shared outside of the NYSRTA Committee) Please attach a separate sheet.

1. For me the **greatest challenge** I face as a recent entrant as an educational professional is... Explain why.
2. State your **two top goals** to accomplish with the students you serve. Why these two priorities?
3. Describe **two** ways in which you believe that your effectiveness as an educator will improve over the next five years.
4. Explain **two specific situations** in which you believe that you have made a significant impact on the improvement of a student's **academic** or **personal development**.



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Please use this checklist to insure that all necessary materials meet the required deadline for consideration. Thank you.

## Application Checklist

\_\_\_\_\_ **Fully** complete both pages of the application being sure to include **all** required contact persons

\_\_\_\_\_ **Written verification from the school district of**

\_\_\_\_\_ full-time employment and length of service

\_\_\_\_\_ completion of undergraduate work

\_\_\_\_\_ confirmation of provisional certification

\_\_\_\_\_ enrollment in Masters Degree, CAS, or other advanced degree program

\_\_\_\_\_ An essay of 50-100 words

\_\_\_\_\_ Administrative reference\*

\* If you become a semi-finalist in this screening process, we may make contact with your supervisor to obtain a reference from him/her. All you need to do now is provide us with your administrative contact names and phone numbers as requested on the application form.

## **ENTRIES MUST BE POST MARKED NO LATER THAN MARCH 19, 2012**

For active educators applying from a school in Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, and Niagara County please mail all required materials to:

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