



Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative 2023/2024 Touchstone Energy® Classroom Empowerment Grant Application

Applicant's Name _____ Title _____

School Name _____

School Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Daytime Phone Number () _____ E-mail _____

Electric Cooperative Territory: **Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative**

Name of Project Submitted _____

Eligibility is limited to schools located in Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative's service area. Teachers and administrators of K-12 public and private schools may apply. Seven \$500 grants will be awarded. For more information about Touchstone Energy, log on at www.touchstoneenergy.com. Touchstone Energy and Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative reserve the right to photograph the grant winners and use the photos for publicity purposes. Projects must be completed by the time school is out for the summer. Incomplete entries will be deemed ineligible and will not be judged. **Recipients must provide written proof of completion detailing how the grant funds were used within six months of the project's completion.**

Deadline: Application forms must be received by SIEC by mail, e-mail or fax no later than **November 10th, 2023**. Winners will be announced no later than December 8, 2023. A check will be awarded to those selected in January 2024.

For additional questions, please call Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative (618) 827-3555 Ext. 208 or e-mail Brent Goforth at bgoforth@siec.org. Mail grant applications to: SIEC, Attn: Brent Goforth, P. O. Box 100, Dongola, IL 62926.

Judging Process:

Applications will be reviewed by an impartial panel of judges. If necessary, applicants may be contacted for additional information.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Teacher or Administrator)

If I receive the grant, I pledge to follow all completion requirements and provide written proof of completion within six months of my project's end.

Touchstone Energy Classroom Empowerment Grant RULES and GUIDELINES



Southern Illinois
Electric Cooperative

Your Touchstone Energy® Partner 

Enter **Touchstone Energy's Classroom Empowerment Grant Competition** and your submission could win a \$500 grant for classroom and education enhancement projects!

Touchstone Energy Classroom Empowerment Grants totaling \$3,500 (Seven grants at \$500 each) are being funded by **Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative (SIEC)** for the 2023-2024 school year. For more information about Touchstone Energy, log on to www.touchstoneenergy.com. To apply for grants, send a **double-spaced typewritten request (not to exceed 3 pages)** that includes the following:

1. A description of the project and what it will accomplish.
2. The estimated cost of the project.
3. An explanation of why outside funds are necessary to complete the project.
4. Whether funding options have been pursued, and if so, how?
5. When project will be completed.
6. The number of people affected by the project.
7. If the project's goals are measurable, and how?
8. How the project ties in Touchstone Energy's four core values of integrity, accountability, innovation and commitment to community?

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