**Trout in the Classroom Grants - Budgets**

Applying for ARE Fund For Trout in the Classroom?

**Applying for an ARE Grant to fund your Trout in the Classroom project?**

**New to the Trout in the Classroom program?**

You can apply for a grant for the following: Start-up kit, which includes everything you need to get started (recommended by Trout Unlimited), chiller, and aquarium. You may also request substitute fees for your trout release day and 50% of your transportation costs to the release site.

**Are you a returning school to the program?**

You can apply for a grant for funding the replacement kit (recommended by Trout Unlimited). You may also request substitute fees for your trout release day and 50% of your transportation costs to the release site.

**All:** Think about doing an aquatic based schoolyard project like a rain garden to help water quality or a stream clean up to further make the connection between land use, water quality, and aquatic organisms! Eligible for ARE Grant funding!

Examples of **budget pages** for Trout in the Classroom grants **below**:

Remember that all totals must add up!

All items must be included (even if we are ordering it for you). Match (cash, in-kind materials or time) should be in your budget.

**NOTE:** Once your grant has been approved by the Department of Natural Resources Aquatic Resources Education Program you will receive notification and paperwork will be emailed to you.

**If you are new to the program,** at that time **WE** will order your Start-up kit and chiller and have them sent directly to your school. You will be responsible for purchasing your aquarium and other materials (you will receive information on receipts and invoices in your paperwork). Do not purchase anything without written grant approval.

**If you are a returning school** and need a replacement kit **WE** will order the kit and have it sent directly to your school. Do not purchase anything else written into your grant budget until you receive written grant approval.

**Sample Start-Up TIC Budget** [[Click here](http://dnr.maryland.gov/ccs/Documents/TIC-2020-2021_MarylandStart-UpKit.xls)]

**Sample Replacement Kit TIC Grant Budget** [[Click here](http://dnr.maryland.gov/ccs/Documents/TIC-2020-2021_MarylandReplacementKit.xlsx)]