

“\$SMART” Grant

Supplemental Media and Resource Technology Grant



The Satilla REMC Foundation establishes the **\$SMART Grant** Program to assist media specialists and their smart students at schools within Satilla REMC’s service area.

Sponsors: The Satilla REMC Foundation and Satilla REMC sponsor the **\$smart Grant** Program. The Foundation administers the Smart Change Program in which the Cooperative’s Members volunteer to “round up” their power bills to the nearest whole dollar. The change goes directly to the Satilla REMC Foundation, a non-profit organization, dedicated to providing educational opportunities for students in Satilla’s service area.

Satilla REMC is a not-for-profit, consumer-owned power cooperative providing electricity to more than 59,000 accounts in Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Coffee, Jeff Davis, Pierce, Ware and Wayne counties.

Questions: Call Matt Parker, Public Relations Coordinator, at 912-632-3453 or @ mparker@satillaemc.com.

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Purpose: Media Centers lack the funds necessary to carry out the mission(s) that are assigned to them. The \$SMART Grant helps fund mission projects that otherwise would not be funded.

Eligibility for 2025 Funding Year:

Public Primary and Elementary Media Centers in Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Coffee, Jeff Davis, Pierce, Ware and Wayne counties.

Individual Media Centers may submit only one application during the funding year.

Grant Limits: Maximum funding for acceptable applicants is \$2500. Partial funding requests are acceptable.

The Foundation retains the right to fund applications at an amount less than the maximum.

Selection Criteria:

- Project provides/improves needed programs or facilities that add value to the educational process. (20%)
- Project affects all or a significant portion of the student body. (20%)
- Project is clearly defined with goals to be accomplished. (15%)
- Project enhances current instructional experiences. (15%)
- Project provides both immediate and multi-year benefits to the school and its students. (20%)
- Application provides a detailed budget summary. (10%)

Audit: After acceptable applications are determined, Satilla REMC Foundation will

communicate with each media center to work out a “paper trail” for audit purposes. It is the intention that the program(s) and/or equipment purchased with the \$SMART Grant funds be easily verified.

After a specified period of no longer than six (6) months in which the grantee agrees to expend the funds, the Satilla REMC Foundation will perform an audit to verify the results and will have the discretion to review the use of the funds beyond the initial audit.

Public Relations: By applying for the Grant, the applicant conveys the right to the Satilla REMC Foundation to use his/her name, photo, and information about the grant in publicity.

Board Review: The Foundation Board has the right to review and revise the \$SMART Grant Program as needed.

Application Deadline: All applications must be received by Satilla REMC Foundation no later than January 16, 2026.

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2025 Grant Application

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Grant Number _____

Date Received _____

Meets word limits _____

Materials attached _____

Amount Requested _____

Amount Funded _____

Please Read Before Completing!

Applications will not be considered if instructions are not followed completely.

- Grants are for Media and Technology Resources within the Media Centers of applicable school systems.
- Grants will be awarded to Media Specialists in primary and elementary schools in the service area of Satilla REMC. Counties included are Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Coffee, Jeff Davis, Pierce, Ware and Wayne.
- Individual Media Centers may submit only one application during the funding year.
- The maximum grant amount is \$2,500. The Foundation retains the right to fund applications at an amount less than the maximum grant amount. Partial funding requests are acceptable. The grant funds should be used within six (6) months of awarding.
- The Grant Application Form should include the name of the school, the name of the Media Specialist requesting the Grant and the county in which the school is served. **In order to be considered for funding the Grant Application form must be completely filled out and signed by the Media Specialist and the Principal.**
- Please complete and submit the \$MART Grant Application Form. Attach any supplementary materials that would substantiate the application request.
- All grant recipients are required to submit a report on the outcome of the grant project. The Foundation will perform an audit to verify the results and will have the discretion to review the use of the funds beyond the initial audit.
- Grant recipients grant permission for names, photos, and projects to be publicized in print, broadcast or other forms of media by the Satilla REMC Foundation and/or Satilla REMC.
- The \$MART Grant Application Form must be submitted to the Satilla REMC Foundation, P. O. Box 906, Alma, GA 31510 by January 16, 2026.



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About The Project (Please include the name of the school, the name of the Media Specialist and the county in which the school is served)

Project Name _____

Specific Curriculum areas affected (If more than one, list.) _____

Amount Requested _____ Number of Students to benefit from project _____

Will the item(s) purchased be used for more than one school year? _____

Project Overview

Project summary – give an overview of the project. (50 words)

Value of project – Explain how the project adds value to the educational process. (100 words)

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Recipients – How many students are in your student body? How many students will be directly affected by the proposed project? (100 words)

Goals – What do you plan to achieve with the proposed project? What are the goals and objectives for the students? In what specific ways will this project improve learning for students? (100 words)



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Instructional Experiences - How will the proposed project enhance current instruction? (100 words)

Benefits – List the immediate benefits this project will provide students. List the ongoing or future benefits this project will provide students. (100 words)



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Budget Summary

Itemized Budget (Required)

Item Needed	Quantity Needed	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Required? Y/N

Total Project Cost (Please estimate total cost to nearest dollar.) _____

Will you accept partial funding? _____ How much? _____

If you receive partial funding, how will you fund the remainder of your project?

Thank you for your application. All applications must be received by January 16, 2026. Submit your application to Satilla REMC Foundation, P. O. Box 906, Alma, GA 31510 or 928 Highway 32 East, Alma, GA 31510. Please make sure that you have adhered to all instructions, attached all necessary documentation and affixed the appropriate signatures to the application. If you have questions, please call Matt Parker at 912-632-3453 or online at mparker@satillaemc.com.