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## **UCOR Offering Mini-Grants for Area School Projects**

**Oak Ridge, Tenn., February 25, 2014** – URS | CH2M Oak Ridge LLC (UCOR) is accepting proposals from area schools for educational grants with a specific goal of enabling new instructional methods in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

UCOR Education Mini-Grants will be awarded directly to teachers and schools for specific projects. All teachers are welcome to apply, but proposals should focus on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) projects.

Schools in Roane, Anderson, Loudon, Knox, and Morgan counties are eligible to submit proposals.

Interested teachers should visit the UCOR website at [www.ucor.com](http://www.ucor.com) and click on the Mini-Grants logo for rules and instructions on how to apply and to access the on-line application. Applications must be received by March 27.

“We are excited to once again offer these mini-grants to area schools as part of our commitment to fund and support educational endeavors,” said Leo Sain, UCOR President and Project Manager. “Now in its third year, this program has resulted in some interesting and informative projects that have given students opportunities they might not otherwise have had.”

More than one teacher in a school may submit proposals, but each proposal must be approved by the principal. Applications may be made for \$500 (for a single classroom), \$750 (for a grade or several classes) or \$1,000 (for an entire school, and must include an implementation plan).

Proposals will be judged on three criteria:

- A project summary, which describes the project and expected results.
- The top three learning objectives/curriculum concepts that will be enhanced by the grant, and how results will be measured.
- An explanation as to why the project is deserving of the grant.

Grant winners will be recognized at a reception in May.

For more information about the UCOR Education Mini-Grants program, contact Veronica O’Hearn, UCOR Strategic Planning, Communications and Governmental Affairs, at (865) 574-9102 or [veronica.ohearn@ettp.doe.gov](mailto:veronica.ohearn@ettp.doe.gov).

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