



# BOOK & PROJECT GRANTS

*Classroom grants for Illinois teachers  
to stock your classroom library  
and fund your newest project!*

Application deadline: Friday, October 18, 2024

Teachers selected for funding will be notified  
on or before November 8, 2024

Find the applications online at  
<http://iaitc.co/bookgrants> and  
<http://iaitc.co/projectgrants>

# BOOK GRANT

Grant Amount: up to \$250.00

Apply for this grant for the opportunity to receive ag-accurate books for your classroom library to *integrate agriculture* into a variety of curriculum areas.

## HOW IT WORKS:

1. Select one of the categories below.
2. Choose any combination of books within that category up to \$250.00.
3. Apply for the grant at <http://iaitc.co/bookgrants> by Friday, October 18, 2024.
4. Successful grant recipients will:
  - Be notified via email by **November 8, 2024**.
  - Submit a Funding Agreement, signed by you and your building principal, by **December 6, 2024**. Failure to do so will forfeit the grant.
  - Receive your books shipped directly to your school.
  - Submit a Final Grant Report by **Friday, May 30, 2025**, to tell us how you used your books.

## THE FINE PRINT:

- Classroom teachers and librarians in the state of Illinois are eligible to apply.
- Each educator may submit only one grant application.
- Book grants may be awarded to more than one educator in the same school.
- High school ag teachers may apply with an elementary teacher if their students/FFA members are working with a specific classroom.
- You may contact your county Ag Literacy Coordinator for help with this application.

## Book Grant Categories

**GARDENS**

**INSECTS**

**TREES**

**SOCIAL /  
EMOTIONAL LEARNING  
& AGRICULTURE**

**MYTHOLOGY  
& AGRICULTURE**

*books being offered in each category are listed on next page*

# BOOK GRANT BOOKS

## GARDENS

			PRICE
<i>The Soil in Jackie's Garden</i>	by Peggy Thomas	K-3	\$10
<i>Memory Garden</i>	by Zohreh Ghahremani	PK-3	\$12
<i>Every Little Seed</i>	by Cynthia Schumerth	K-3	\$11
<i>Maxine and the Greatest Garden Ever</i>	by Ruth Spiro	PK-3	\$12
<i>Linh's Rooftop Garden</i>	by JaNay Brown-Wood	PK-2	\$9

## INSECTS

<i>Carl and the Meaning of Life</i>	by Deborah Freedman	PK-1	\$10
<i>Worm and Caterpillar are Friends*</i>	by Kaz Windness	PK-3	\$5
<i>A Swarm of Bees*</i>	by Claire Caprioli	K-2	\$5
<i>A Kaleidoscope of Butterflies*</i>	by Eric Geron	K-2	\$5
<i>Flower Talk: How Plants Use Color to Communicate</i>	by Sara Levine	2-6	\$14
<i>Buzzing with Questions</i>	by Janice Harrington	2-5	\$10

## TREES

<i>Peach Pit Parade</i>	by Shana Keller	1-4	\$13
<i>Be a Tree</i>	by Maria Gianferrari	PK-3	\$12
<i>Trees: Haiku from Roots to Leaves</i>	by Sally Walker	2-5	\$10
<i>My Grandpa, My Tree, and Me</i>	by Roxanne Troup	PK-3	\$10
<i>Nell Plants a Tree</i>	by Anne Wynter & Daniel Miyares	PK-3	\$12
<i>The Magic &amp; Mystery of Trees</i>	by Jen Green	PK-3	\$10.50

## SOCIAL / EMOTIONAL LEARNING & AGRICULTURE

<i>Something, Someday</i>	by Amanda Gorman	PK-3	\$10
<i>Just Ask!</i>	by Sonia Sotomayor	PK-2	\$10
<i>Love Grows</i>	by Ruth Spiro	PK-3	\$12
<i>Potato Pants!</i>	by Laurie Keller	PK-3	\$11
<i>How to Build a Hug</i>	by Amy Guglielmo	PK-3	\$11.50

## MYTHOLOGY & AGRICULTURE

<i>The Labors of Hercules Beal</i>	by Gary Schmidt	4-9	\$12
<i>Here in the Real World*</i>	by Sara Pennypacker	4-9	\$6
<i>Big Tree</i>	by Brian Selznick	4-12	\$19
<i>Zee Grows a Tree</i>	by Elizabeth Rusch	K-3	\$9
<i>Outdoor Farm, Indoor Farm</i>	by Lindsay Metcalf	K-4	\$10
<i>Farmer Eva's Green Garden of Life</i>	by Jacqueline Briggs Martin	1-5	\$14

\* = Paperback book. All others are Hardcover.

# PROJECT GRANT

Grant Amount: up to \$300.00

Apply for this grant for the opportunity to fund projects for *integrating agricultural literacy* in the classroom.

## HOW IT WORKS:

1. Design a project for *integrating agriculture* into a variety of curriculum areas.
2. Make note of materials needed to complete your project.
3. Apply for the grant at <http://iaitc.co/projectgrants> by **Friday, October 18, 2024**.
4. Successful grant recipients will:
  - Be notified via email by **November 8, 2024**.
  - Submit a Funding Agreement, signed by you and your building principal, by **December 6, 2024**. Failure to do so will forfeit the grant.
  - Receive a check for the agreed-upon amount from your grant application to purchase materials.
  - Submit a Final Grant Report by **Friday, May 30, 2025**, to tell us how your project went.

## THE FINE PRINT:

- This grant will not fund consumable items, field trips, plants, or incubators. Priority will be given to grants that contain materials for use over multiple school years.
- Reviewers recommend that your grant request be used in its entirety for one specific project rather than linked to other potential funding.
- Each teacher may submit only one grant application.
- Project grants may be awarded to more than one teacher in the same school.
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Looking for examples of previous Project Grants to gain inspiration or for ways to integrate Book Grant books into your curriculum? Attend our virtual Get-A-Grant Workshop on August 6, 2024.

Visit [iaitc.co/getagrants](http://iaitc.co/getagrants) to register!