



Forge the Future Summer Camp Grant Application

To apply for a grant from the Forging Industry Educational & Research Foundation, send your completed grant proposal form to foundation@forging.org.

Purpose of Funding

This grant supports organizations who wish to host a two-to-five-day Forge the Future Summer Camp focused on introducing middle and high school students to forging, manufacturing, and STEAM pathways.

Funding Amount: up to \$2,500

Date Submitted: _____

Organization Name: _____

Department / Program (if applicable): _____

Institution Type:

☐ School (Middle/High) ☐ College/University ☐ Industry Partner ☐ Workforce/Community Organization

☐ Other: _____

Primary Contact Person:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Organization Address:

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

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Your grant request must include the following information:

Describe why this camp is needed in your region, including workforce, educational, or community needs your program addresses.

How long will the camp run?

☐ 2 days

☐ 3 days

☐ 4 days

☐ 5 days

Please provide an overview of your planned two-to-five-day Forge the Future Camp. Include daily structure, activities, student engagement strategies, and any planned industry involvement.

Check the components your program will include:

☐ Hands-on forging or STEAM activities

☐ Opportunity for students to forge an item

☐ Industry guest speakers

☐ Plant/industry tours

☐ Mentorship by:

☐ instructors ☐ college students ☐ industry partners

☐ Career pathway discussions

☐ Other: _____

Describe how the program will support student learning and interest in forging or manufacturing careers.

How will you measure program success?
(Examples: pre/post surveys, student feedback, instructor assessments, partner reflections)

List any additional organizations providing mentorship, tours, support, or resources. If you would like to be connected to an industry partner, please indicate so.

Describe how your organization plans to continue hosting the camp annually or expand the program through local industry partnerships.

Provide an itemized budget aligned with allowable categories.

	Category	Description
2-day camp: up to \$1,000	Instructor & Staff Stipends	Faculty instruction, coordination
3-day camp: up to \$1,500	Materials & Supplies	Safety gear, T-shirts, consumables
4-day camp: up to \$2,000	Equipment Use & Lab Fees	Machine use, facility costs
5-day camp: up to \$2,500	Meals, Transportation, Incentives	Lunches, field trips
	Marketing & Outreach	Flyer printing, recruitment materials

(Optional)

Will a forging club participate as camp assistants? If a student forging club assists in facilitating the camp, they are eligible for additional funding at \$50 per student per day.

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, list participating students and anticipated days of involvement:

Faculty/Facilitator Name: _____

Additional Resources Provided by FIERF

- Camp Playbook (includes camp activities, sample agendas, sample forms, etc.)
- Camp logo
- Certificate of completion template
- Forging 101 PowerPoint
- Design a forging worksheet
- Forging related crossword and word search
- Forging trivia
- FIERF information about scholarships and other programs

If your organization is selected to receive a Forge the Future Summer Camp Grant, you will be required to market and brand your program as an official Forge the Future Summer Camp using the provided logo. The Forging Foundation will also support promotion by advertising the camp through its marketing channels.