

BALDWIN EMC



## 2026 Operation Round Up Star Light Award

**The Operation Round Up Star Light Award is an educational grant program designed to provide support to teachers for the direct purpose of improving learning through a specific lesson and/or project in the classroom using innovative or creative techniques.**

**Eligibility:** Pre-K -12 teachers in accredited public and private schools within the Baldwin EMC (BEMC) service area are eligible to apply. (Schools/teachers do not have to receive electricity from BEMC.)

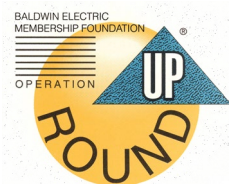
**Application:** Applications will be accepted by mail or in person at any BEMC office location by close of business on **September 18, 2026**. Repeat applicants must submit a new application. Applications must be filled out completely and be accompanied by requested documentation for consideration.

**Award(s):** If approved, grant(s) will not exceed \$1,000.

**Consideration Process:** Completed applications will be presented to the Operation Round Up Board of Directors for consideration. The Board awards grants based on available funding and the needs presented. Grants are awarded for classroom lessons and projects. They do not cover professional development and are not intended for the purchase of computers, laptops, or tablets. Only one grant will be considered per project per school.

Successful applicants will demonstrate how this specific project or lesson plan meets the following criteria:

- Innovative or creative learning experiences for students (40 percent)
- Clearly defined plan of implementation (30 percent)
- Benefits and directly involves students (20 percent)
- Involves teamwork (5 percent)
- Provides an adequate budget summary (5 percent)



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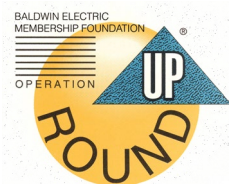
It is important that you fill out all pages of this application completely. Incomplete applications will be automatically denied. The application deadline is close of business on September 18, 2026.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

<b>Date of Application:</b>
<b>Teacher Name:</b>
<b>Daytime Phone Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>

### SCHOOL INFORMATION

<b>Name of School:</b>
<b>School Phone Number:</b>
<b>Principal's Name:</b>
<b>Principal's Email Address:</b>
<b>School Mailing Address:</b>



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### PROJECT OVERVIEW

**Project name:**

**Curriculum area(s) project will address:**

**Grade level:**

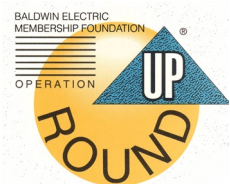
**Will the project involve teamwork between classrooms? Explain**

**Number of students to benefit from this project:**

**Will the project items purchased be used for more than one school year?**

**List other sources of funding for this project (include amounts):**

**If project exceeds grant limit, will project continue?**

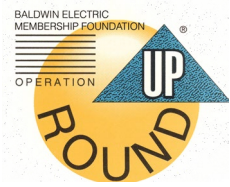


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### PROJECT SUMMARY

**Give an exact description of the project and include the goals or objectives desired.** (300 words or less) What makes it innovative or creative? Describe the students' involvement (and involvement by others) including the grade levels. Explain how the project will provide benefits and address the educational needs of your students. Provide a detailed implementation plan and the schedule of classroom activities planned to complete the project. Additional paper may be used if necessary.





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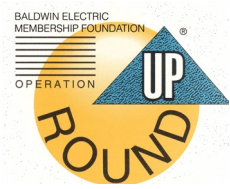
### PRINCIPAL SUPPORT (REQUIRED)

I support this application and the project's implementation at my school. In addition, should a teacher or teachers win this grant at this school; I give my permission for Baldwin EMC's Operation Round Up Grant Award Committee to make a brief scheduled presentation during classroom hours. I also give my permission to Baldwin EMC to display an award banner outside the school in support of the Star Light Award program. I understand that the media may accompany the Committee for award photos and media coverage.

Principal's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Principal's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ School Name: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Please review the application carefully before submitting.  
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### APPLICANT AGREEMENT

The information contained in this statement is for the purpose of obtaining funding from the Baldwin County Electric Membership Charitable Foundation, Inc. The undersigned understands that the information provided herein is used to consider the request for funding and the Operation Round Up Foundation Board is the final authority as to the number and amount of any grants that may be awarded. The undersigned also represents and warrants that the information provided is true and complete and that the Baldwin County Electric Membership Charitable Foundation, Inc. may consider this statement as continuing to be true and correct until a written notice of change is provided. The Baldwin County Electric Membership Charitable Foundation, Inc. is authorized to make all inquiries they deem necessary to verify the accuracy of the statements made herein.

I am a certified Pre-K -12 teacher in a Baldwin County or southern Monroe County public or private school. This is the only application I have submitted. Neither I nor any of my team members are part of another grant application. I will use this grant, if awarded, for students in grades Pre-K -12 and will submit a report about the grant's outcome to the Operation Round Up Board. I also agree that the Baldwin County Electric Membership Charitable Foundation, Inc., without compensation to my team members or me, may use my name, photo and information about the grant in publications and for publicity purposes.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_