Montana SMART Schools Challenge 2021-2022

Saving Money and Resources Today

SMART Challenge Grading Rubric

1. Project Documentation
   a. School adequately explained the project’s intent and how it benefited (or will benefit) the school and local community in their proposal (5 pts)
   b. Attended Mid Challenge Progress Zoom Meeting and provided adequate project updates (5 pts)
   c. The plan outlined in the SMART Schools proposal was implemented, and the final presentation/report was submitted no later than May 9, 2022 (10 pts)

2. Measured Performance
   a. A baseline measurement of resource usage, subject knowledge, health and safety conditions, or other metrics was established at the project’s initiation (5 pts)
   b. A post project measurement was completed showing an improvement in selected metric (5 pts)
   c. Calculations showing total resources conserved, dollars saved, changes in knowledge, environmental benefits (such as CO₂ emissions offset, gallons of water saved, fuel conserved, etc.) health enhancements, or improvements in other metrics were completed to quantify project benefits (5 pts)

3. Creativity
   a. The project sparked participants’ imaginations and inspired unique and original ideas (10 pts)
   b. The project was student driven, versus teacher and/or mentor driven (10 pts)

4. Communication
   a. There is an ongoing effort to communicate and foster the project’s objectives and benefits to the entire school (7.5 pts)
   b. There is an ongoing effort to communicate and foster the project’s objectives and benefits to the community (7.5 pts)
   c. The team documented the number of people impacted (5 pts)

5. Perpetuation
   a. The school devised a plan to perpetuate the project after the challenge’s conclusion (5 pts)
b. The project or related sustainability topics have been incorporated into the school’s curricula (5 pts)
   a. Metrics were developed to evaluate the effectiveness of curricula integration (5 pts)

6. Additional Points
   a. Additional points for creative ideas or substantial impact (10 pts)

Total______/100