

Montana SMART Schools Challenge 2023-2024

Saving Money and Resources Today



SMART Challenge Grading Rubric

1. Project Documentation

- School adequately explained the project's intent and how it benefited (or will benefit) the school and local community in their proposal (5 pts)
- Attended Mid Challenge Progress Zoom Meeting and provided adequate project updates (5 pts)
- The plan outlined in the SMART Schools proposal was implemented, and the final presentation/report was *submitted no later than May 6, 2024* (10 pts)

2. Measured Performance

- A baseline measurement of resource usage, subject knowledge, health and safety conditions, or other metrics was established at the project's initiation (5 pts)
- A post project measurement was completed showing an improvement in selected metric (5 pts)
- 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

- The project sparked participants' imaginations and inspired unique and original ideas (10 pts)
- The project was student driven, versus teacher and/or mentor driven (10 pts)

4. Communication

- There is an ongoing effort to communicate and foster the project's objectives and benefits to the entire school (7.5 pts)
- There is an ongoing effort to communicate and foster the project's objectives and benefits to the community (7.5 pts)
- The team documented the number of people impacted (5 pts)

5. Perpetuation

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

6. Additional Points

- Additional points for creative ideas or substantial impact (10 pts)

Total _____/100