# DeadlyGrants Round 1: Application Guidelines

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| **Opening date:** | 24 October 2022 |
| **Closing date and time:** | 11:59pm Australian Eastern Daylight Standard Time, 20 December 2022<br><br>Please take account of time zone differences when submitting your application. |
| **Administering entity:** | DeadlyScience Ltd<br>ABN: 71 640 734 390 |
| **Enquiries:** | If you have any questions, contact us at grants@deadlyscience.org.au |
| **Date guidelines released:** | 24 October 2022 |

# 1   About DeadlyScience

Science is deadly! It is how we make sense of the world. As a nation, and at DeadlyScience we have a cultural responsibility to our first and future scientists.

At DeadlyScience, our aim is to provide Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) resources, opportunities and early reading material to remote and very remote schools across Australia. We have shipped over 25,000 books, 700 telescopes, 10,000 Lego kits and other STEM resources to over 400 communities, with more to come. Science is a lifelong pursuit and continuous search for knowledge that has been advancing for generations. We want to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in STEM to continue that tradition through – Inspiration, Connections, Innovations and Discovery. It is important to DeadlyScience to lead the way forward in celebrating what our first scientists achieved, and what our future scientists will discover in STEM.

Through innovative initiatives and collaborations, the DeadlyScience vision is to be the leading STEM education support charity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and communities in Australia by focussing on engagement, education, enrolment and employment.

# 2   About DeadlyGrants

DeadlyGrants aims to build engagement in STEM and support the development of STEM skills in students in rural, remote and very remote schools across Australia.

The project offers you the opportunity to design a STEM learning experience that suits the unique circumstances of your school and students, with the funding to be provided by DeadlyScience. The objectives of the grant round are:

- Engagement: Celebrating STEM knowledge and its enjoyment
- Education: Developing a stronger scientific literacy in the STEM fields
- Enrolment: Intentions of students to choose STEM subjects in further years and for students to investigate STEM concepts and knowledge further outside of class
- Employment: Awareness and opportunity of careers in STEM

## 2.1 What DeadlyScience will provide

DeadlyScience will provide up to $5000 for schools to use in order to support and purchase resources that will help your students in STEM learning. This can be used for the following, but not limited to:

- STEM resources and/or equipment
- Teacher professional development
- Class trips and travel
- Incursions and/or workshops for students delivered in school
- Books
- Lesson resources

There are nine (9) DeadlyGrants projects available from DeadlyScience in round 1 to successful applicants. Each project will provide up to the value of $5000. At the end of the project any physical resources remain the property of your school.

In addition to the funding, DeadlyScience will also provide an online lesson as a part of the DeadlyLearners program with the DeadlyScience team and scientists to support the project.

## 2.2 How the DeadlyGrant project works

You design a STEM learning experience that is valuable, interesting and relevant that suits the unique circumstances of your school and students. The learning experience should be designed to foster engagement, education, enrolment and/or employment considerations in your students. In your application you include the resources you need to maximise the outcomes of the project.

Successful applicants will need to:

- Gather and record data collected to support the project in terms of the agreed outcomes and share this data with the DeadlyScience team
- Share publicly releasable photos and stories of how the resources and/or opportunities and supporting equipment is being used. If possible share words (or sentences) in language STEM topics related to your project,
- Complete a short report on the outcomes of the project and activities.

## 2.3 Eligible expenditure

You can only spend grant funds for agreed and/or eligible grant activities as defined in your grant agreement, unless we otherwise agree in writing to an alternative use. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by DeadlyScience, you must incur the expenditure between the dates specified in your grant agreement for it to be eligible.

## 2.4 What the grant money cannot be used for

Grant funding cannot be used for a purpose that does not directly contribute to the outcomes of the activity, so cannot generally be used for items such as payment of resources ordered for previous programs, or non STEM related resources.

# 3  Eligibility criteria

To be eligible to apply you must:
- be a government or non-government school
- have current public liability insurance cover
- have an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student population of more that 15% of the total student population, or
- be classified as a rural, remote or very remote school according to MySchool.

# 4 Timing of activity

The project will be conducted during the first two terms of the 2023 school year. The table below provides a summary of the key dates.

| Activity | Timeframe |
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| Applications due | 20 December, 2022 |
| Announcement of application outcomes | 27 January, 2023 |
| Completion of grant agreements | 10 February, 2023 |
| Distribution of resources and supporting equipment | 24 February, 2023 |
| Project commencement | 10 February, 2023 |
| Project completion | 30 June, 2023 |
| Project surveys due | 30 June, 2023 |
| Final Acquittal due | 30 June, 2023 |

# 5 How to apply

Completing the application should take approximately 30 minutes.

To apply, you must:
- complete and submit your application through the portal (https://deadlyscience.smartygrants.com.au/)
- confirm you have the support of the school principal
- provide all the information requested
- address all eligibility and assessment criteria
- include all necessary attachments

Before applying you should read and understand these guidelines, and all relevant documentation published on the [DeadlyScience website](#). You will need to set up an account to access our online [portal](#). If you need further guidance around the application process, or if you have any issues with the portal, contact us at [grants@deadlyscience.org.au](#)

# 6 Selection process

Only applications that meet the eligibility criteria will proceed to the assessment stage. The DeadlyScience team will assess your application based on:

- how well it meets the criteria and
- whether it provides value, interest and relevance to the students.

When assessing value, interest and relevance to students, we will have regard to:

- the curriculum,
- technology and pedagogy, and
- cultural appropriateness.

We will advise you of the outcome of your application by email. If you are unsuccessful, you can submit a new application for another (including similar or same) project in any future application rounds.

# 7 Successful applications

If your application is successful we will require you to enter into an agreement with DeadlyScience prior to receiving the project resources. The agreement will cover, amongst other things:

- Your and our obligations for the success of the project,
- Your and our commitment to comply with all relevant laws and regulations including working with vulnerable people, and
- Your and our abilities to vary the terms if circumstances change.

# 8 Publicity

We will publish non-sensitive details of successful projects on our website and on social media. This information may include:

- the name and location of your school
- a list of the resources sent
- a description of the project and its intended outcomes

If you make a public statement about the project, online or otherwise, you must acknowledge DeadlyScience by using the following:

'Supported by DeadlyScience.'

# 9 Reporting and evaluating

During the project we may ask you for updates on your progress.

At the end of the project we will ask you to:

- supply the key data to us as outlined in the application,
- complete a report covering its outcomes and key learnings, and
- send us media release forms by email or post, for photos you share with us where children's faces can be recognised

We may also interview you, or ask you for more information to help us understand how the project impacted you, the students, the community, and to evaluate how effective the project was in achieving its outcomes.

For further information or clarification, you can contact us at [grants@deadlyscience.org.au](#) or through our [online contact form](#)