**UpliftEd Aid Application**

(A recent tax return is required.)

UpliftEd is a nonprofit created to promote community support and retention of high-quality educators in Tulsa Public Schools. UpliftEd partners with the community to offer financial aid and gifts to Qualifying Teachers throughout the year. UpliftEd is not obligated to provide aid or gifts to Qualifying Teachers, but will solicit and disperse as much aid as we’re able. Please fill out this application to determine if you are eligible to receive aid from UpliftEd. Your identity will be kept confidential, used only for the purposes of selecting Qualifying Teachers and dispersing aid. We'll respond to your application by email. Thank you!

1. At which Tulsa Public School(s) are you employed? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. What do you teach/coach/sponsor? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. As a teacher, how valued and supported do you feel by your community? Use a scale from 1-10, with 1 being “Not Supported” and 10 being “Extremely Supported.” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. What type of teaching certificate do you have?

* Standard Certificate
* Apprentice Certificate
* Emergency Certificate
* Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. How many years of school-teaching experience do you have? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. How many years have you taught for Tulsa Public Schools? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. Approximately how many hours a week do you work for Tulsa Public Schools? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. Did you use any of your personal funds for classroom supplies last school year?

* No
* Yes- Approximately how much? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. Are you employed anywhere other than Tulsa Public Schools?

* No
* Yes- Where? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. Which of the following expenses place a burden on your financial well-being? (Check all that apply.)

* Living expenses
* Childcare expenses
* Vehicle expenses
* Saving
* Medical expenses
* Home maintenance/repairs
* Debt
* None of these

11. Do you receive government assistance? (Check all that apply.)

* Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
* Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
* Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
* Section 8 Housing
* SoonerCare
* Childcare Assistance
* Unemployment for spouse/partner
* None of these

12. Have you had to consider any of the following options to improve your financial circumstances?

* Getting an additional job
* Choosing a better compensated career
* Moving to more affordable housing or acquiring a roommate
* Moving to a state where teachers are better compensated
* Applying for loans
* Foreclosure
* Bankruptcy
* None of these

13. If you’re selected to be part of our Apple Tree Program in November or May, we’ll publish anonymous needs that can be fulfilled by donors. (Ex. Home expenses/repairs, Auto expenses, Medical/Dental expenses, etc.) See [upliftedschools.org/give](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Cgodlo%5COneDrive%5CDocuments%5CUpliftEd%5CAid%5Cupliftedschools.org%5Cgive) for examples.

What are some home/auto/medical/dental requests you would like to make in November? Are there any other ways we can relieve your financial burdens? (You can wait and submit your requests later if you need time to decide.)

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14. Please explain how a financial gift from UpliftEd would help improve your situation.

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15. What is your approximate Tulsa Public Schools salary? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

16. What is your entire **household’s** **monthly** take-home pay? (Net Income) $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

17. What is your entire **household’s** **annual** income? (Salary/Gross Income BEFORE taxes and deductions)

 $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

18. How many people are in your household? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

19. Please submit a copy of your 2019 or 2020 tax return after blacking out the social security numbers. Email it with this application to aid@upliftedschools.org.

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| **Applicant’s Information** |
| Name of Applicant | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Phone # Address of Applicant  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| To your knowledge, do you have any relation (business or familial) to any employee, board member, or volunteer at UpliftEd?  | * No
* Yes- Explain below

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| By signing you certify that your answers are true and correct to your knowledge. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Signature of Applicant |

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Please submit your completed application and tax return to aid@upliftedschools.org by September 30th.