

October 16, 2009

Dear Colleague:

Enclosed please find the application for the Cyrus Vance 2009 Awards. This year, grants of \$2,500 will be awarded to four applicants; all K-12 educators and organizations and postsecondary educators and organizations committed to promoting and enhancing international education are encouraged to apply. I will visit each of the four winning applicants to publicly present the monetary award for the grant.

Applicants should demonstrate a collaborative partnership between a K-12 organization and a postsecondary organization that advances international education. The deadline for receipt of grant applications is November 6, 2009. Grant recipients must use their funds by June 1, 2010, and will be required to submit a brief report of their activity to the Department of Education & the Arts no later than June 30, 2010.

We hope that you will take this opportunity to form new partnerships across the educational spectrum while encouraging international awareness and understanding. You can help West Virginia proactively prepare the next generations to succeed globally through participating in the Cyrus Vance Award process. We look forward to receiving your applications. Please contact Molly George at 304-558-2440 or by email at [molly.e.george@wv.gov](mailto:molly.e.george@wv.gov) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kay Goodwin". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the typed name.

Kay Goodwin  
Cabinet Secretary