	1 Point (Poor)	2 Point (Average)	3 Point (Excellent)
Alignment to Strategic Plan	Does not clearly align to the Strategic plan. The reviewer is not confident that the project is aligned to the district's plan.	An adequate description is provided that indicates some alignment to the Strategic Plan.	Clear discription of the connection to the Strategic Plan is provided. The project is clearly aligned to action steps within the plan and addresses the district's plan.
Project Summary	Does not clearly articulate the need, innovation, description, and impact of the project. The reviewer has little idea of what this project is about.	Conveys the general idea of the project but does not provide enough clarity. Does not address all 4 areas (need, innovation, description, and impact). Leaves the reviewer with unanswered questions.	Clear summary of the project including the need, innovation, description, and impact. The reviewer has no doubt about what this project is to accomplish. Summary addresses all 4 areas (need, innovation, description, and impact).
Background/Need	Data to demonstrate need is missing. What is provided doesn't convince the reviewer of the need for the project. No research was provided.	An adequate description of need with limited data and/or research is provided.	Need is clearly described and data provided strongly supports the need. Research is relevant and strongly supports the need.
Innovation/Enhancement	The project relies on existing models, methods, or ideas; it is not new or unique.	The project will implement some new ideas or improvements but generally aligns to conventional methods. Shows a tentative attempt to step outside of conventions or finds new uses for common materials.	Is new, unique and highly engaging. Has the potential to successfully break conventions and uses common materials in new, clever or surprising ways.
Project Description	The project description lacks sufficient details. The reviewer is not confident the project implementation will address the need and make an impact.	The reviewer has an adequate understanding of the project. The relationship between the need, project implementation, and impact is evident.	Project is well-conceived and planned. The reviewe has complete and clear understanding of the project, including the relationship between the need, project implementation and impact.
Impact	The impact of the project is vague and not measurable. The relationship between the goals and the project activities is unclear. No measurement mentioned.	The project contains measurable goals that are generally connected to the project activities.	Clearly contains measurable goals that are strongly connected to the project activities. The measurement is clearly defined.
Budget	Description of how funds will be used is vague and poorly justified. How items to be purchased will contribute to the project's success is unclear.	The description of the use of funds is generally complete but is missing some details. Items appear to support the project are likely to contribute to its successful implementation.	Use of funds is clearly detailed. Items to be purchased are appropriate to support this project and will contribute to successful implementation.