

# WCSA Funding Proposal Form

Any Westmont student, faculty or staff member is eligible to submit a funding request to WCSA. WCSA strives to utilize its budget to meet the needs of our campus and our student body. Past proposals have included funding the purchase of fruit trees for the Westmont garden and partnering with the library to provide coffee and snacks during finals week. Funds have also supported student initiated events such as film festivals and movie screenings.

Each proposal is examined by WCSA. Then, WCSA will vote on whether to approval the proposal. You will be notified by e-mail regarding the decision on your funding proposal generally within two weeks.

## Guidelines:

Be thorough in filling out the funding proposal form. Please provide as much detail as possible regarding the purpose of the request and funding desired. Failure to do so may result in a delay.

Funding proposals need to be submitted at least 2 weeks prior to request need or event. Funding proposals outside of this time frame may still be submitted but are they are unlikely to be approved.

If you are requesting funds for a campus event, please complete the event proposal form on the Campus Life Office website prior to completing a WCSA funding proposal. All events must be approved and sponsored by a campus department or student organization prior to receiving funding.

You are highly encouraged to come to clarify the purpose of your funding proposal at the meeting following your request submission. This is to prevent any delays in funding your request.

If your funding proposal is approved, it is imperative that you present WCSA the receipts of your purchases. Failure to produce receipts could result in WCSA concluding to suspend an individual's or organization's ability to request funding.

Please see the WCSA Website (<https://www.westmont.edu/student-life/campus-activities/westmont-college-student-association>) for FAQs.

## Westmont College Mission Statement:

Westmont College is an undergraduate, residential, Christian, liberal arts community serving God's kingdom by cultivating thoughtful scholars, grateful servants and faithful leaders for global engagement

with the academy, church and world.

WCSA Mission Statement:

WCSA is the voice that represents the diverse views, beliefs, needs, and desires of our student body. We seek to unify faculty, staff, administration, and students by promoting communication and initiating change at Westmont College.

Group Name \*

N/A

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Project Name \*

New York Times Subscriptions

Department Affiliation \*

N/A

Proposal Date \*

MM DD YYYY

02 / 15 / 2021

Project Date \*

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03 / 01 / 2021

Is the event open to the entire student body? \*

Yes

No

Has your group submitted a funding proposal before? \*

Yes

No

If yes, when?

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Describe the nature of your project (Target population, number of students involved, length of project, etc.) \*

Westmont students should be given the opportunity to become actively educated citizens through access to the New York Times (NYT). This initial funding proposal is a trial run for what could become a year long subscription to NYT in the following academic year. To start, 30 Westmont students will be allowed to sign up on a first come, first serve basis for a New York Times subscription between March 1, 2021 and May 23, 2021 (12 weeks). Please note that this time includes part of Mayterm; however, given that the purpose of this proposal is to give students the tools to habituate staying up to date on current events (see relation to mission statements answer), I believe this is a gray area that should still be funded.

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What do you hope to achieve with this project? \*

The sign up will include answering a couple questions: Why would you like a subscription to the NYT? What issues would you like to learn about and why? Are you prepared to submit receipts in a timely manner (otherwise your subscription will be cancelled and the cost must be taken on by the student)? If students are able to answer those questions adequately, I see no reason why they wouldn't use the service.

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How much money are you requesting from WCSA? Please provide an itemized budget (item, price, and total amount). \*

Total = \$360

NYT student subscriptions are billed as \$4 every 4 weeks.

\$12 per student for 12 weeks x 30 students = \$360

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How does your project relate to the mission of the college and WCSA? (Mission statements are at the top of this form) \*

Westmont College's mission statement calls for "thoughtful scholars" and "for global engagement." Access to a New York Times subscription allows students to do just that by properly engaging in relevant material and shaping their perspective on both domestic and international issues.

WCSA's mission statement calls for "promoting communication and initiating change at Westmont College." With access to a New York Times subscriptions, students will be able to communicate with their peers on issues beyond the Westmont bubble while also preparing students for life after college. Being up to date on current events is not just a civic duty, but a habit to be learned. Too many students find complacency in not paying attention to what happens in politics. By accepting this funding proposal, we may start educating students beyond what is required and make them consistently curious of the outside world.

Payment Logistics (provide who to pay and the account #) \*

Once it is discussed what a "timely manner" should be considered as, it is up to the students in the program to submit their receipts in such a timeframe. I believe within one week after the proposed start of subscription date is reasonable (Receipts will be due for March 1, March 29, and April 26 on March 8, April 5, and May 3 respectively) and I've spoken with the Business Manager about this.

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