NWFMOA Scholarship Fund, Inc. Educational Support Grant Program

<u>Purpose:</u> To establish and define an **Educational Support Grant (ESG)** program to support local area JROTC programs (Baker, Choctawhatchee, Crestview, Fort Walton Beach, Navarre, Niceville, & Walton high schools)

1. The primary purpose of the NWFMOA Scholarship Fund is to provide college scholarships to local area JROTC cadets. By this policy, we are expanding the educational support of local JROTC programs to provide Educational Support Grants. These grants require completion of a grant application (see attached) providing the purpose and impacts of the grant. The application must be signed by the school's Senior JROTC Instructor and by the School Principal.

2. The Educational Support Grants will be for a maximum of \$500.00 for each calendar school year. These funds must be used for the purpose listed on the grant application. An "After Action Report" accounting for how the funds were spent must be submitted to the NWFNOA Scholarship Fund at project completion. This report must be received prior to requesting a subsequent grant.

3. Eligibility Criteria: To be eligible for these grants the following minimum criteria must be met:

a. The school must have a JROTC program and be one of the schools listed in the Purpose above.

b. Commissioned or Warrant Officer JROTC instructors must be a member of the Northwest Florida Military Officers Association (NWFMOA) and be at least a basic member of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA).

c. The grant funds awarded must be used for educational support of the school's JROTC program.

4. Applications may be submitted at any time during the school year and submitted per instructions on the application form. Each local JROTC program may receive only one Educational Support Grant per school year.

5. Grant Approval and Disbursement: Each grant application submitted will be evaluated by the ESG Committee and the Secretary/Treasurer of the NWFMOA Scholarship Fund, Inc. Upon approval, the Secretary/Treasurer will send a check to the applicant's school JROTC program.

6. Copies of all ESG applications/approvals/after action reports will be maintained by the NWSFMOA Scholarship Fund, Inc Secretary-Treasurer

7. This Educational Support Grant program was approved by the Board of Directors of the NWFMOA Scholarship Fund, Inc. on November 3, 2021, and will go into effect for the 2021-2022 school year and for each school year thereafter until this policy is rescinded.

<u>Original Signed</u> David A. Parisot, President <u>Original Signed</u> George M. Colton, Secretary/Treasurer