


DonorsChoose.org Challenge

Data Dictionary

project

All of the data below comes from our internal production database.

Field	Format	Definition
project_hashed_id 	string	Unique project identifier.
project_title	string	The title the teacher chooses for their project essay.
project_essay_one	string	<p>The first section of a teacher's project essay. In this section, we ask teachers to describe their students.</p> <p>We prompt them with the following: "Describe your students. Tell us what you love about your students. What makes them special? Specific details and anecdotes about your students are helpful."</p>
project_essay_two	string	<p>The second essay of a teacher's project. In this section, we ask teachers to describe the goals of the project, (though often they talk about their students in this section as well).</p> <p>We prompt them with the following: "How will these materials make a difference in your students' learning?"</p>
project_cost	float	The total cost of the project.
project_posted_date	yyyy-mm-dd	The date the project was posted live to DonorsChoose.org.
project_funded_date	yyyy-mm-dd	The date the project met the funding goal. If NULL, the project did not meet the funding goal.
project_impact_letter	string	After a project is funded and the materials are delivered or the student experience has been completed, we ask teachers to write a short letter describing the impact the project had on their students.
project_subj_cat_tree	string	<p>Teachers choose up to two main subject categories for their project. The 8 potential subject categories are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Applied Learning2. Health & Sports

		3. History & Civics 4. Literacy & Language 5. Math & Science 6. Music & The Arts 7. Special Needs 8. Warmth, Care & Hunger If the teacher selects two, this field includes both, (e.g. "Special Needs History & Civics").
project_subj_subcat_tree	string	When a teacher chooses the main subject category for their project, we ask them select up to two more specific subject subcategories for their project. There are 29 potential subject subcategories, including ESL, College & Career Prep, etc. If the teacher selects two, this field includes both, (e.g. "ESL Financial Literacy").
project_grade_cat	string	Teachers choose the primary grade levels that will benefit from this project.
project_resource_type	string	Teachers can request physical resources for their students through any of our integrated vendors (a materials project), or they can choose to request funding for a class trip or to pay a visitor to come to their classroom, or special resources from an outside vendor (a special request).
teacher_hashed_id (FK)	string	Unique teacher identifier.
school_hashed_id (FK)	string	Unique school identifier.