

FY 2022 Public School Opportunities Enhancement Program Grant

Pre-Proposal Conference and Request for Proposal (RFP) Questions

Questions	Responses	
General Request for Proposal Questions		
Can state pass through funds received from the school system be counted as an in-kind contribution?	No, unless it meets the following criteria for in-kind contributions: services, material, equipment, or labor committed or received at a conservative value that would otherwise be paid from the project budget For example, in-kind contributions are goods (wholesale value) or services provided instead of cash for one of your project budget line-items.	
Can state and federal funds such as Coronavirus Aid Relief Economic Security Act (CARES) be used for in-kind contributions in the PSOEP grant?	No, § 200.306 Cost sharing or matching. (a) Under Federal research proposals, voluntary committed cost sharing is not expected. It cannot be used as a factor during the merit review of applications or proposals.	
Can a PSOEP grant serve multiple eligible jurisdictions?	A PSOEP proposal can serve multiple eligible jurisdictions given the signed partner letters and LSS/School Participation Agreements are submitted at the time of application. Refer to Section 3.9.0 LSS/School Participation Agreement Section 3.9.1 Partners' Letters of Commitment on page 23, and Exhibit 9 LSS/School Participation Agreement for additional information. An applicant should consider the maximum funding amount per grant proposal to determine the number of applications to submit. If a program proposes a request of funding to exceed \$250,000, then a second application would be required to be submitted. Refer to Section 1.5 Funding and Length of Grant on page eight for additional information.	

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Section I Related Questions		
Program Overview, Section 1.1 page 6 Is a program allowed to operate at recess or lunch time during the	The proposed program must meet the required minimum hours of programming as detailed in Section 2.0.1 pages 11-12. Programs must meet the established criteria:	
school day?	 Extended or educational school day by a minimum of eight hours each full week that school is in session; and/or Extended day for a minimum of four hours per weekend; and/or Summer enhancement program for a minimum of four hours per day for a minimum of 30 days. 	
	If the program meets the educational school day minimum hour requirements it could qualify under the current guidelines.	

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Exhibits	
Exhibit 3, Section IV page 44 Our agency is proposing to use PSOEP funds for the expansion of one program and creating a pilot program for after school. Can we request funding for both programs under this RFP?	An applicant should refer to Section 3.2 Project Design on page 13 for additional guidance. If the programs are serving two populations and propose to implement similar project designs with individualized performance measures and indicators, two applications would be required. Two applications could result in two separate awards. A PSOEP proposal can serve multiple schools given the signed partner letters and LSS/School Participation Agreements are submitted at the time of application. Refer to Section 3.9.0 LSS/School Participation Agreement Section 3.9.1 Partners' Letters of Commitment on page 23, and Exhibit 9 LSS/School Participation Agreement for additional information. Additionally, an applicant is encouraged to refer to the maximum funding amount per grant proposal to determine the number of applications to submit. If a program proposes a request of funding to exceed \$250,000, then a second application would be required to be submitted. Refer to Section 1.5 Funding and Length of Grant on page eight for additional information.