

## State Aided Institutions (SAI) Program Fiscal Year 2027

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

The list below constitutes frequently asked questions about the State-Aided Institutions (SAI) Program. This page will be updated with frequently asked questions and answers on a continual basis.

- 1. Question: Which SAIs are being funded in fiscal year 2026? Answer: You can find this information in the Budget Bill, House Bill 0350. See page 182-184.
- 2. Question: I see that funds cannot be used for operating costs. What are operating costs? Answer: Operating costs are anything that is required to keep your business up and running, essentially, the costs of the day-to-day operation of your organization. Examples: property repair and maintenance, property taxes, insurance, utilities, furniture, salaries for office or leadership staff that are essential for business operations but don't work directly on the educational program, office supplies, rent, etc.
- **3. Question:** Is there a page limit for the application? Answer: No. The application has been condensed to collect just the pertinent information in the program narrative. Additional requirements are submitted via the appendices.
- **4. Question:** What is the C-1-25 and how do we fill it out? Answer: The C-1-25 is the grant budget form that all grantees receiving funds from MSDE must submit. The first tab, "Grant Budget C-1-25", should be completed based on the budget totals in your application. For nonprofit organizations, all funds will be entered on line 214, which is for "214 Community Services", and across the categories at the top. The total at the bottom should align with the budget in your application.