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Agenda


- Welcome and Introductions
- Introduction to 21st CCLC Grant Information Guide
- 21st CCLC Application and Submission Process
- Timeline
- Q&A
Welcome and Introductions

Who’s Here Today?

Presenters
Mr. Reginald Burke
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Audience
Potential Applicants

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Introduction to 21\(^{st}\) CCLC GIG and Application

**Goals**

- Identify the purpose and baseline expectations of 21\(^{st}\) CCLC OST Programs for the Future Grant Program
- Outline important dates associated with the 21\(^{st}\) CCLC OST Programs for the Future Grant Application
- Explore and explain the Grant Information Guide (GIG) and Application
- Provide an overview of the Customer Service Session Question and Answers from previously conducted sessions
Introduction to 21st CCLC GIG and Application

Questions and Answers

- Addresses questions presented in Customer Service Sessions # 1 and # 2

- Notates updates made to the Application as of June 6, 2023, and currently available

- To be posted in the 21st CCLC website once updated from today’s session

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| What documents are required for the budget and budget narrative section? | The grant budget (15 Points) consists of two components:  
• The Budget Worksheet and Narrative; and  
• The approved MSDE Grant Budget Forms (C-1-25).  
Refer to the Out-of-School Time Fiscal Guidance and page 18 of the GIG. |
| What are the available grant periods? | Applicants can choose to operate programs during the school year and summer, school year only, or summer only. The period of availability for programs is indicated below. Refer to page 4 of the GIG. |

**School Year and Summer**  
- July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023 (Summer Program 2023)  
- July 1, 2023 - August 31, 2024 (School Year and Summer Program)  
- July 1, 2024 - August 31, 2025 (School Year and Summer Program)  
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Purpose

The MSDE strongly suggests that the 21st CCLC MD OST Programs for the Future applicant implement OST academic enrichment grant programs that align, enhance, and sustain the transformational work of the MD Leads Grant Program, Maryland Strategic Plan, and the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future.

Maryland Leads

- MD Leads is a grant initiative designed to support LEAs in utilizing federal funds to overcome the learning loss resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, accelerate student learning to narrow opportunity and achievement gaps, and provide more targeted support for historically underserved students and their communities.

Maryland Strategic Plan

- Three phases will anchor the vision, mission, values, priorities, enablers, goals, and flagship programs, initiatives, and strategies to realize the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future promise of an excellent and equitable education for every student.
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MD LEADS Strategies

i. **Reimagining the Use of Time** – Reimagine the use of time to create opportunities that support students and their learning.

ii. **Innovative School Models** – Increase the number of high-quality schools by innovative school models that are accessible to all students with no selective admission requirements.

MD Strategic Plan Priorities Phase I

i. **Priority Two – Ready to Read** – All Maryland Students are proficient in reading by the end of the third grade and those who are not have the necessary supports to become proficient.

ii. **Priority Three – Ready for High School**. All Maryland students enter high school on track to meet the college and career readiness standards by the end of the tenth grade, and are engaged socially, emotionally, and academically to succeed in progressive challenging and advanced level coursework aligned to college and career pathways.

iii. **Priority Four – Ready for College and Career** – All Maryland students graduate from high school college and career ready, and with an individualized plan to succeed in college, career, and life.
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Blueprint for MD Future

i. Priority Three – College and Career Readiness - Sets a new College and Career Readiness (CCR) standard that prepares graduates for success in college and the workforce by ensuring they have the knowledge and skills to complete entry-level credit-bearing college courses and work in high-wage and high-demand industries.

i. Priority Four – More Resources to Ensure that All Students are Successful - focuses on strengthening wraparound services through the expansion of community schools, establishing the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports, targeting supports for students and families based on differentiated need, establishing a workgroup on English learners, and developing a funding formula based on a new measure of concentration of poverty.
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Applicants should strongly align the project design with at least one of the priorities.

- MD LEADS Strategy
- MD Strategic Plan
- Blueprint for MD’s Future
Completing the Grant Renewal Application

**Learn**
- Explore the GIG and Application including the linked resources
- Review the Requirements for Submission
- Review Maryland Leads, Maryland Strategic Plan, and Blueprint for Maryland’s Future
- Consider individuals within the jurisdiction to work alongside for the submission process
  - LEA Partner
  - Stakeholders: Parents, Evaluator, Educators, Community Partners

**Collaborate**
- Identify a point of contact and working group responsible for submission
- Engage pertinent stakeholders and partners throughout the application and planning process
- Utilize MSDE for support

**Apply**
- Review the grant application submission requirements
- Complete the Application in an editable format
  - Convert to PDF
- Sign and submit the pdf application to MSDE via the identified email address.
  - Include the required appendices.

**Implement**
- Receipt of the Notification of Grant Award
- Review and complete the proposed Budget Document corrections from MSDE
- Apply and implement the MSDE Validation feedback
- Implement planned grant activities
- Engage in monthly check-ins with MSDE and other subgrantees for continued collaboration
- Submit required grant monitoring components and reports
Eligibility

The 21st CCLC competition in Maryland is open to:

- Local Education Agencies (LEAs)
- Non-Profit Agencies
- City or County Government Agencies
- Community and Faith-Based Organizations
- Institutions of Higher Education
- For-Profit Corporations
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The 21st CCLC applicant asks:

- What resources are available within the LEA(s) proposed to be served?
- What are the purposes of the resources and identified funding restrictions/limitations?
- How can we (21st CCLC applicant and partners) leverage the resources and define relationships through the 21st CCLC funded partnership?
Purpose

The 21st CCLC grant program will:

Provide academic enrichment which includes providing instructional services to help students, who attend low-performing schools, meet State and local student academic achievement standards.

Offer students a broad array of additional services, program and activities such as youth development and engagement activities, substance abuse and alcohol prevention, service-learning, violence prevention, counseling, art, etc.

Offer families of students served by community learning centers opportunity for literacy instruction and related educational development.
Maximizing Collaboration and Funding

Examples of how a 21st CCLC applicant may maximize funding resources might include:

- Restructure part-time positions, such as Family Engagement and After-school Coordinators to full-time positions.
- Form new partnerships with subject matter experts to provide opportunities that extend learning time.
- Create additional tutoring experiences in the OST program that extend the school day tutoring programs.
- Increase certified teacher instructional time in the OST program through smaller teacher: student ratios.
- Offer family engagement experiences focused on academic enrichment and behavioral health services beyond the traditional classroom.
- Develop OST tutoring positions that overlap instruction from the school day program into the academic enrichment program.
# Application and Funding Overview

## Dissemination and Deadline

- The application was released on May 19, 2023.
- The deadline for application submission is as outlined:
  - **FY24 SUMMER PROGRAMS must submit a separate application.**
    - Due: June 20, 2023
      - FY24 Summer Programs operating between July 1, 2023-August 31, 2023
    - Due: July 19, 2023:
      - FY24 School Year only programs operating between July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024; OR
      - FY24 School Year and Summer Programs operating between July 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024

## Grant Period

- **Length of Grant:** Three Years (annual renewal application required)
  - The period of availability is July 1, 2023, through September 30, 2026.
- Programs:
  - School Year
    - 12 hours/week for 25 weeks
  - Summer Only
    - No less than 80 hours
  - School Year and Summer
    - 12 hours/week for 25 weeks
    - No less than 80 hours

## Funding

- **Total Funds Available:**
  - $10.3 million total award
- **Annual Funding Availability:**
  - Minimum Award: $50,000
  - Maximum Award: $400,000
Allowable Use of Funds*

- Intervention, strategies, and curriculum purchases (must meet ESSA evidence criteria);
- Salaries and fringe benefits for 21st CCLC OST time staff;
- Professional development and 21st CCLC trainings;
- Consultants, subcontractors, and evaluators providing allowable services/activities;
- Classroom materials and supplies for 21st CCLC classes;
- Remedial education activities and academic enrichment learning programs, including providing additional assistance to students to allow the students to improve their academic achievement;
- Mathematics and science education activities; and
- Arts and music education activities.

*Not an Exhaustive List, Refer to GIG, Page 7.
Allowable Use of Funds*

- Entrepreneurial education, college, and career readiness programs;
- Tutoring services (including those provided by senior citizen volunteers) and mentoring programs;
- Programs that provide out-of-school activities for limited English proficient students that emphasize language skills and academic achievement;
- Recreational activities;
- Telecommunications and technology education programs;
- Expanded library service hours; and
- Programs that promote parental involvement and family literacy.

*Not an Exhaustive List, Refer to GIG, Page 7.
Allowable Use of Funds*

- Drug and violence prevention programs;
- Counseling programs;
- Character education programs; and
- Preparation of the proposal: costs to develop, prepared, and/or write the 21st CCLC proposal should be treated as indirect costs and allocated currently to all activities of the non-federal entity.

*Not an Exhaustive List, Refer to GIG, Page 7.
Unallowable Use of Funds*

- Preparation of the proposal: Costs to develop, prepare, and/or write the 21st CCLC proposal cannot be charged to the grant directly or indirectly by either the agency or contractor;
- Pre-award costs: Pre-award costs may not be charged against the grant;
- Funding for activities conducted and costs incurred before the start date of the grant;
- Entertainment, refreshments, and snacks;
- A field trip without the approved academic support (will be considered entertainment); and
- End-of-year celebrations or food associated with parties or socials.

*Not an Exhaustive List, Refer to GIG, Page 8.V
Unallowable Use of Funds*

- Game systems and game cartridges;
- Unapproved out-of-state or overnight field trips, including retreats and lock-ins;
- Incentives (e.g., plaques, trophies, stickers, t-shirt, give-a-ways);
- Advertisements, promotional, or marketing items;
- Decorative items;
- Purchase of facilities, vehicles (e.g., Buses, Vans, or Cars, or Land acquisition);
- Capital improvements, permanent renovations; and
- Supplanting federal, state, local funds, or other non-federal funds (e.g., using grant dollars to fund summer school classes previously offered and paid for by currently existing district or other funds).

*Not an Exhaustive List, Refer to GIG, Page 5.
Unallowable Use of Funds*

- Direct charges for items or services that the indirect cost rate covers;
- Dues to organizations, federations, or societies for personal benefit; and
- Any costs not allowable for federal programs per Uniform Guidance 2 CFR§ 200.400.

- The Maryland (MD) Leads grant program expenses may not be submitted for reimbursement with 21st CCLC funding.

*Not an Exhaustive List, Refer to GIG, Page 7.
Application for Funding

I. Proposal Cover Page
II. Federal and State Absolute and Competitive Priorities
III. Required Minimum Hours of Programming
IV. Project Narrative
   • Extent of Need
   • Goals, Measurable Outcomes, and Milestones
   • Evidence of Impact
   • Plan of Operation, Key Personnel, and Timeline
   • Partners Plan
   • Evaluation and Dissemination
V. Budget and Budget Narrative
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Federal and State Absolute and Competitive Priorities

Eligible School Summary

Schools eligible for services provided by this grant are:

- **Title I Schools** that serve a high percentage (at least 40 percent) of students from low-income families;
- High schools with graduation rates less than 67 percent;
- Other schools determined by the LEA to need intervention and support.

SPECIAL RULE: MSDE shall allow an application to be submitted by an LEA, if the LEA demonstrates that it is unable to partner with a community-based organization in reasonable geographic proximity, and of sufficient quality to meet the requirements of this priority.
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Program Type

Required Hours of Programming

- **School Year:** No less than 12 hours of programming per week (can include weekdays or Saturdays) for 25 weeks during the traditional school year OR no less than 4 hours of programming on Saturdays only for 25 weeks during the school year.

- **School Year and Summer:** No less than 12 hours of programming per week (can include weekdays and Saturdays) for 25 weeks during the traditional school year OR no less than 4 hours of programming on Saturdays only for 25 weeks during the school year AND no less than 80 hours of summer to include academic and enrichment programming for at least 32 hours on the calendar.

- **Summer Only:** No less than 80 hours of summer to include academic and enrichment programming for at least 32 hours on the calendar.
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Absolute and Competitive Priorities

Federal Absolute

i. Provide a description of how the grant project provides comparable opportunities in designing the program for the participation of both public and private school students in the area served by the grant. This detail includes evidence of consultation with private school officials during the design, development, and implementation of the 21st CCLC program on issues such as how the children's needs will be identified and what services will be offered and provide equitable services to private school students and their families that are secular, neutral, and non-ideological.

ii. Describe efforts to provide a timely notice of intent to apply and how the information will be disseminated. Examples of dissemination efforts can include an LEA presenting the 21st CCLC application at a school board meeting, or a community-based organization posting an announcement on their website.
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Absolute and Competitive Priorities

State Absolute

i. All applications are strongly encouraged to identify at least one of the MD Leads Strategy, MD Strategic Plan, Blueprint for MD’s Future. Priority areas as a focus of the proposed 21st CCLC programming:
   i. Reimagining the Use of Time; (MD Leads)
   ii. Innovative School Models; (MD Leads)
   iii. Ready to Read (MD Strategic Plan Priority)
   iv. Ready for High School (MD Strategic Plan Priority)
   v. Ready for College and Career (MD Strategic Plan Priority)
   vi. College and Career Readiness (Blueprint for Maryland's Future)
   vii. More Resources to Ensure that All Students are Successful (Blueprint for Maryland's Future)

The applicant should identify which strategy, activity, and expected impact the 21st CCLC program will align with or build upon in the Performance Goals and Indicator section of the application.
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Absolute and Competitive Priorities

Competitive Priorities

Optional: Address one of the following with the possibility of receiving up to three additional points:

- Integrate behavioral health supports in association with the LEAs Blueprint for Maryland’s Future: Implementation Plan;

- Integrate service-learning in accordance with the Maryland's Seven Best Practices; or

- Propose to serve students in a community that is served by one or more LEAs with a locale code of 32, 33, 41, 42, or 43 (rural) Note: Applicants are encouraged to retrieve locale codes from the NCES School District Search Tool, where LEAs can be looked up individually to retrieve locale codes.
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Required Minimum Hours of Programming

Competitive Priorities

Demonstrate the ability to successfully implement programming during either the school year, the school year and summer, or the summer only, for each year of the three-year grant period.

School Year:
No less than twelve (12) hours of programming per week (can include weekdays or Saturdays) for 25 weeks during the traditional school year OR no less than four (4) hours of programming on Saturdays only for 25 weeks during the school year.

School Year and Summer:
No less than twelve (12) hours of programming per week (can include weekdays and Saturdays) for 25 weeks during the traditional school year OR no less than four (4) hours of programming on Saturdays only for 25 weeks during the school year AND no less than eighty (80) hours of a summer program to include academic and enrichment programming for at least thirty-two (32) hours on the calendar.

Summer Only:
No less than eighty (80) hours of a summer program to include academic and enrichment programming for at least thirty-two (32) hours on the calendar.

REQUIRED MINIMUM HOURS OF PROGRAMMING
Describe how the program will fulfill the required minimum hours of programming.

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Project Narrative

Extent of Need

• Clearly defined problem supported by a needs assessment

Goals, Measurable Outcomes, and Milestones

• The goals should address the main problem identified in the needs assessment.
• Report the MD Leads Strategy or MD Strategic Plan Priority or Blueprint for MD Future.
• Report target percentage, strategies and activities, and measurable outcomes.
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Project Narrative

Goals, Measurable Outcomes, and Milestones

• Percentage of students participating in 21st CCLC programming during the school year and summer who demonstrate growth in reading/language arts on state assessments.

• Percentage of students participating in 21st CCLC programming during the school year and summer who demonstrate growth in mathematics on state assessments.

• Percentage of students attending 21st CCLC programming during the school year and summer with a prior-year unweighted Grade Point Average (GPA) less than 3.0 who demonstrated an improved GPA.
Application for Funding

Project Narrative

Goals, Measurable Outcomes, and Milestones

• Percentage of youth participating in 21st CCLC school year and summer program who demonstrated an 80% attendance rate during the school year and summer program.

• Percentage of students attending 21st CCLC programming during the school year and summer who experienced a decrease in in-school suspensions compared to the previous school year.

• Percentage of students participating in 21st CCLC programming in the school year and summer who demonstrated an improvement in teacher-reported engagement in learning.
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Project Narrative

Goals, Measurable Outcomes, and Milestones

- Identify at least one additional strategy identified by the jurisdiction being served and include at least one of the LEAs expected impacts listed under each strategy selected. Applicants serving the grades listed below will be required to annually report outcomes on the USDE Government Performance Results Act (GPRA) Measures.

- **GPRA 1:** (a) Percentage of students in grades 4-8 participating in 21st CCLC programming during the school year and summer who demonstrate growth in reading/language arts on state assessments. (b) Percentage of students in grades 4-8 participating in 21st CCLC programming during the school year and summer who demonstrate growth in math on state assessments.

- **GPRA 2:** Percentage of students in grades 7-8 and 10-12 attending 21st CCLC programming during the school year and summer with a prior-year unweighted GPA less than 3.0 who demonstrated an improved GPA.

- **GPRA 4:** Percentage of students grades 1-12 attending 21st CCLC programming during the school year and summer who experienced a decrease in in-school suspensions compared to the previous school year.

- **GPRA 5:** Percentage of students in grades 1-5 participating in 21st CCLC programming in the school year and summer who demonstrated an improvement in teacher-reported engagement in learning.
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Project Narrative

Evidence of Impact

- Describe how the proposed plan and strategies being implemented are evidence-based and will lead to the desired impact.
- Academic enrichment programs or activities supported with 21st CCLC funds must be based on evidence-based research to increase the likelihood that the program or outcome will be successful.
- Demonstrate how continued investment in the grant program is justified by initial outcome data from the program.

EVIDENCE OF IMPACT - (10 POINTS)

Describe how the proposed plan and strategies being implemented are evidence-based and will lead to the desired impact.

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Project Narrative

Plan of Operation, Key Personnel and Timeline

• Describe strategies, activities and timeline being implemented; and

• Identify key personnel responsible for grant operations.

• Names, Titles, Roles and Responsibilities relative to the implementation.
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Project Narrative

Plan of Operation, Key Personnel and Timeline

- How the targeted students will be selected, how the program will accommodate students with disabilities, and how the program will provide healthy snacks to participating students;
- Proposed strategies and activities that will be used to meet the student’s academic needs;
- Frequency and duration of the program and how the program will reinforce and complement the student’s regular academic day; and
- A transportation and/or walking plan that describes how students will travel to the program.

**PLAN OF OPERATION, KEY PERSONNEL AND TIMELINE - (10 POINTS)**

Provide a narrative description of a plan of operation. Refer to the Grant Information Guide Plan of Operations section and address all requirements (i.e.: 1-4).

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Provide a justification as to why the strategies were chosen and how they will help to achieve the performance goals and measures.

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Provide a narrative description of key personnel and timeline. Refer to the Grant Information Guide Plan of Operations Key Personnel section and address all requirements (i.e.: 1-4).

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Project Narrative
Plan of Operation, Key Personnel and Timeline

- Include in this section a justification as to why the strategies were chosen and how they will help to achieve the performance goals and measures.

- Identify how the grant funds will support the strategies and specifically, how many students will be served.
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Project Narrative

Plan of Operation, Key Personnel and Timeline

Include a description of key personnel and timeline to include:

- Project leaders, including the roles and positions, as well as the expected qualifications. Specify how much of the project director’s time will be devoted to this project, as per Uniform Guidance 2CFR 200.430. In support of salaries and wages, documentary support will be required where employees work on (a) more than one federal award and (b) a federal award and a non-federal award.

- How the screening process (background checks and/or fingerprinting) will be conducted on all staff and volunteers working directly with children, in accordance with standards set forth in Section 5-560 et seq. of the Family Law Article of the Maryland Annotated Code.
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Project Narrative

Plan of Operation, Key Personnel and Timeline

Include a description of key personnel and timeline to include:

• How, when, and by whom the program’s implementation will be monitored, including starting the project on time.

• Mechanisms by which the project will clearly define and hold partners accountable to specific roles, responsibilities, contributions, and deliverables, e.g., contracts or Memoranda of Understanding.

• How and when the steering committee will be formed to govern the project; and duties of the steering committee, including establishing major program policies, reviewing quarterly milestones and annual evaluation reports, and making recommendations for programmatic change. Steering committee members should represent the major stakeholders in the project (e.g., project partners, parents, students, principals, Board of Education).
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Project Narrative
Plan of Operation, Key Personnel and Timeline

• List in chronological order, all major key personnel and specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time-based (SMART) actions.

• Indicate the key personnel responsible for accomplishing each action and the estimated timeline for completion.
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Project Narrative

Partners

- Partners include subcontractors: organizations that are under contract with the subgrantee to provide grant-funded activities or services.

Description

- Identify the grant project’s partners, the respective roles in the project, the benefits each expects to receive, and the specific contributions each partner will make to the project in the form of financial support, equipment, personnel, or other resources.

PARTNERS PLAN (10 POINTS)

Identify project partners, their respective roles in the project, the benefits each expects to receive, and the specific contributions each partner will make to the project in the form of financial support, equipment, personnel, or other resources. Also include which objectives their services will help to achieve.

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Project Narrative

Partners

- Partners include subcontractors: organizations that are under contract with the subgrantee to provide grant-funded activities or services.

Description

- Identify the grant project’s partners, the respective roles in the project, the benefits each expects to receive, and the specific contributions each partner will make to the project in the form of financial support, equipment, personnel, or other resources.

- The applicant must indicate which objectives the partner services will help to achieve, as well as evaluation dates to reflect on progress and/or achieved outcomes.
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Project Narrative

Partners Continued

- Describe how the program will achieve sustainability beyond the life of the grant, current public/private partnerships, the plans to expand these partnerships, and plans to develop new public/private partnerships.
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Project Narrative

Partners Continued

• A signed and dated letter of commitment is required at the time the application is submitted from each partner who will be involved in the proposed program (refer to page 16 for specific requirements).

• If awarded, the applicant will upload signed contracts/MOU’s for MSDE review and approval, prior to release of funds.
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Project Narrative

LEA/School Participation Agreement

- The Local Education Agency (LEA)/School Participation Agreement must be submitted at the time of the application (refer to appendix).

- The agreement must include a list of partner schools with principal names, and signature from the local school superintendent. Applications submitted without signed LEA/School Participation Agreements will not be reviewed by MSDE.
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Project Narrative

Evaluation and Dissemination

- Outlines the process by which the program will be evaluated.
- The evaluation must include a plan for a professional, independent evaluation of the program.
  - What types of data will be collected;
  - When several types of data will be collected;
  - What designs and methods will be used;
  - How will the data be analyzed;
  - When reports of results will be available; and
  - How information will be used by the program to monitor progress and provide accountability information to stakeholders.

EVALUATION AND DISSEMINATION (10 POINTS)
Outline the process by which the program will be evaluated. Include evaluation questions, an evaluation strategy, and a description of proposed data instruments, collection processes, and analytic methods that are consistent with the project’s goals and objectives. Describe how the information will be used by the program to monitor progress, as well as disseminate findings to stakeholders.
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Budget and Budget Worksheet

• The line items identified in the Budget Narrative and Budget Worksheet must align.

• The budget object totals in the Budget Worksheet must align with the totals identified on the MSDE Grant Form C-1-25.
Grant Award and Budget Development

FY23 Budget Documents: C-1-25 and Budget Worksheet and Narrative

The MSDE C-1-25 itemizes the total requested grant funds by budget object codes.

The FY24 Budget Worksheet itemizes expenses by budget object categories and identifies alternative funding sources.

FY2 Budget Documents will be reviewed as a part of the application process. Funds will not be approved for reimbursement until MSDE provides a signed, approved budget.
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Matching Contributions

Proposed budgets must include in-kind contributions (including but not limited to materials, personnel, financial, and other types of contributions) each year according to the following table:

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- The percentage of in-kind contributions must be a percentage of the Direct Costs and not the Total Requested Amount.
- In-kind contributions cannot be derived from other federal or state funds.
- Adhere to the OST Grant Fiscal Guidelines.
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GEPA Statement

Explanation

• Steps to ensure equitable access; and

• Participation in the project as it is related to the six (6) types of barriers described in the GEPA (gender, race, national origin, color, disability, and age).

General Education Provisions Act (GEPA), Section 427

Explain the steps the applicant will take to ensure equitable access to and participation in the project as it is related to the six (6) types of barriers described in the GEPA (gender, race, national origin, color, disability, and age).

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Application for Funding

Appendices

Must be included in the proposal for funding:

- A signed **Recipient Assurances page**
- A signed **C-1-25 MSDE budget form and Budget Detail**
- A **Budget Worksheet and Narrative**
- A copy of the most recent Single Audit Report (Only applicable to entities expending federal funds of $750,000 or more in a single fiscal year.)
- A copy of the **W-9 Form** (Applicable for first-time grant applicants and/or grantees requiring a change of address/contact)
- A signed **LEA/School Participation Agreement Form**
- Letters of Commitment/MOU/Contracts
- Resumes of Key Personnel
Submission

Download: GIG and Application Requirements

• All appendices are to be submitted at the time of the application.

• Appendices do not count towards the Project Narrative 25-page limit.

• A signed electronic copy in PDF format must be submitted by email to 21stCCLCRFP2023@maryland.gov.
Review Process

Scoring Rubric

21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant Fund

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<td>Federal Absolute Priority 1 5 points</td>
<td>There is a detailed and evidence-based description of how the grant provides comparable opportunities for the participation of both public and private school students, in the state and district. Details include a needs-based assessment and a plan for aligned services to be offered.</td>
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**Competitive Priorities 5 points (Optional)**

- The application includes a detailed plan to implement more than one of the competitive priorities.
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- The application includes some quantitative and qualitative data specific to the target population and the school(s) the program will serve. Data sources are described, and collection methods are logical and rational.
- The application does not address or vagrily describe the implementation of the competitive priorities.
- The extent of need for the project section fails to define the problem or obstacle the 21st CCLC program will address.

**Extant of Need 10 points**

- The extent of need includes multiple quantitative and qualitative data sources. Data sources include direct input from all stakeholders in the proposed program specific to the target population and the school(s) the program will serve. Data sources confirm the existence of the problem, pertaining to the specific population, and school(s) the program will serve. Detailed collection methods are logical and rational.
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**Total Score**

- The application includes exemplary criteria to address each of the six State measurable outcomes, target percentage, multiple data sources, and more than one identified Maryland Leads Strategy or Maryland Strategic Plan priority. The application includes a detailed narrative description of the plan of operations supported by the identified strategies and highly qualified personnel to implement an exemplary plan of operations that aligns with the extent of need and measurable outcomes.
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**Guidance and Outcomes 15 points**

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<td>School Year Only, School Year and Summer, and Summer 2024 Applications Due Date</td>
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<td>September 30, 2023</td>
<td>Grant Period closes for Summer 2023 Programs</td>
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Application Important Dates

Support from MSDE

Scheduled Technical Assistance
The subgrantee may attend the Customer Service Sessions to receive additional information.
Optional

Email
reginald.burke@maryland.gov

21st CCLC Grant Website

Updates & FAQ
Award Notification and Reporting Requirements

Notification

• The MSDE will initiate notification of grant awards upon application review.

Reporting

• Submit timely documents:
  a. Monitoring components (Start-Up, End of Year Reports, and Critical Elements Monitoring)
     a. Corrective action(s)
  b. Monthly Reimbursement Expenditure Report submission
  c. Detailed local narrative evaluation report reflecting the growth and progress of the program;
• Participate fully in statewide evaluation activities; and
• Comply with all applicable state statutory and regulatory requirements.
Timeline for Implementation

MSDE will facilitate monthly meetings with recipients to ensure continued connection and collaboration throughout the grant period.

Grant Implementation Window

• Summer 2023: 7/1/2023 - 9/30/2023
• School Year and Summer: 7/1/2023 – 8/30/2024
• School Year Only 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024

Reporting Requirements

• The Out-of-School Time (OST) Critical Elements Monitoring Schedule: To be released upon award notification.
Question and Answer Session

Questions?