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Questions and Answers from the 2022-2023 Bidders Conference

1. What about food purchased for Family Engagement evenings?

Purchasing food for family engagement activities is discouraged, unless there is an academic component to the activity. Applicants should plan for other resources to provide food if needed.

2. Does the local evaluation require an external evaluator, or can the person be a staff member of the school or district?

Yes, an external evaluator is required. It may be a school or staff member if they can fulfill the evaluation requirements.

3. What credentials does the local independent evaluator need?

OSPI does not have a requirement for credentials of the local evaluator. Please review the local evaluation toolkit and guide as a resource.

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4. If our entity runs other youth programs (outside of the 21st Century Learning Center), can those programs generate income? Along the same lines, if we are a community organization partnering with a local school district, but there are students outside our school district who want to participate in summer programs, can they participate? Can they be charged a fee to participate?

Charging fees to participate in CCLC is not allowed.

5. Regarding food purchases- is it okay to buy food for cooking clubs and for family events?

Buying food for cooking club would be an educational enrichment activity. Purchasing food for family engagement activities is discouraged unless there is an academic component to the activity. Applicants should plan for other resources to provide food if needed.

6. What is the definition of the 'catchment' area - is it specific to the individual school district partner?

Catchment area is students enrolled in private schools located in the area served by the grant are eligible to participate.

7. In the Professional Development Plan, it is only the last component that is a requirement of Group B applicants only?

Proposal requirements that are different for Track A and Track B are bolded in Part 7, Proposal Requirements.

8. Regarding management plan on the timeline section. You mentioned cost. Can you give an example how it would be stated in the timeline?

It could be an estimate of costs associated with the implementation timeline. If there is no cost, you may want to add a narrative of why that is.

9. If you have an afterschool program - can you use this to expand to other times, and increase access to the program, and increase the numbers- or is that supplanting?

As long as 21st CCLC funds are not replacing existing funded programs (supplanting). 21st CCLC is a supplementary program.

10. What is the amount that should be included for YPQI materials and training? Is there a set amount as in the past?

There is a set amount for this in the budget narrative.

11. Is it an auditing issue for a partner organization that is supporting a school district with completing the 21st century grant application to have access to iGrants?

I don't think there would be an auditing issue for a partner to have access to iGrants. 21st CCLC funds may not be used to pay someone to write or prepare an application.

12. Can we please have example of how on the assurance how we display partnerships, for CBO's. How would we show a ESD, school district and CBO on the assurance areas?

Please name the partner, fill in the boxes on the assurances page with the required information. You may list more than one partner as well. If it's an ESD, the superintendent is required to sign the assurances.

13. Can you clarify the section about "external organization"? That is not us as a CBO, or the school district?

EXTERNAL ORGANIZATION: The term 'external organization' means—"(A) a nonprofit organization with a record of success in running or working with before and after school (or summer recess) programs and activities."

If you are a CBO applying for a grant and you meet this definition you may list your organization.

14. Can you use an electronic "certifiable" signature for the Data agreements?

The RFP does not specify electronic 'certifiable' vs. a wet ink signature.

15. Can we have some more info on the Required Appendices: E- Do we need to provide all in that area for an evaluator or just a resume?

You will upload as a PDF attachment either: Resumes, curriculum vitae, or other documents describing the describing qualifications, educational background, and experience evaluating similar programs of individual(s), organization(s), or entity(s) that can conduct the independent local evaluation.

Please review the Local Evaluation Guide and Toolkit to become more familiar with the local evaluation requirements.

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16. If I have nuanced questions about my specific program/application is emailing Heidi the best option?

Yes.