

21st Century Community Learning Centers

Notice Of Funding Opportunity – Cohort 8

Frequently Asked Questions

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	Questions	Answers
1	Where can I find the Notice of Intent to Apply form so we can submit it?	The Notice of Intent to Apply (Form A) can be found on page 29 of the Notice of Funding Opportunity – Title IV-B Nita M. Lowey 21 st Century Community Learning Centers – Cohort 8 document, which is housed on the Nevada Department of Education Grants webpage: Notice of Funding Opportunity Title IV-B Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers Cohort 8 (nv.gov) .
2	Will prospective sub-awardees be receiving a copy of the Webinar #1 presentation?	A copy of the recorded Webinar #1 presentation will be sent via link through the 21st Century Community Learning Centers listserv.
3	Are current 21 st Century sub-awardees eligible to apply for the NOFO-8 grant?	Yes, current sub-grantees can apply for the NOFO-8 grant. However, a currently funded sub-awardee may not apply under NOFO-8 to supplement their existing award. A current sub-awardee wishing to apply must expand their current scope of programming by funding additional sites or meaningfully expanding their program offerings. Current subgrantees must also resolve any previous audit findings, submit all required data according to the state and federal program requirements, and comply with all criteria.
4	If a prospective sub-awardee already has a summer program in place, would the summer program have to be at the local school district's school site, or can they utilize another location owned by the prospective sub-awardee for the program site?	21 st Century programs may be held within a non-school site if deemed safe and accessible for students wishing to participate. New grant awards must supplement, not supplant, existing Out of School Time (OST) programs.
5	When do prospective sub-awardees find out if they are awarded? Is there a date?	All award recipients will be notified by May 7, 2024. Please note that the date of May 7, 2024, is subject to change, as stated in the NOFO-8 document.
6	Can charter schools apply?	Yes, charter schools can apply; however, individual school sites are not eligible to apply with the exception of both state-sponsored and district-sponsored public charter schools. If a charter school does not apply for or receive a grant, its students may participate in 21st CCLC programs established through other organizations. Charter school applicants should consult with their authorizing sponsor before completing and submitting their application.
7	If a charter school applies for the grant on its own, who is responsible for managing the fiscal portion and monitoring the programming aspect?	District-sponsored charter schools would follow protocols established by their respective districts to manage competitive and non-competitive grants.
8	A section in the NOFO-8 emphasizes that funding is reduced incrementally for funding years 3 and 4. Can you elaborate on this?	As page 4 of the NOFO details, all future 21 st -century sub-awards will be reduced in year 3 and year 4 of the maximum 4-year award. This is to ensure all awarded applications are



		actively pursuing other funding sources in preparation for when the 21 st CCLC grant inevitably sunsets after four fiscal years.
9	How do prospective sub-awardees learn about other Nevada Department of Education grants?	More information regarding any other grants that may be offered can be found on the NDE Grants webpage at Grants (nv.gov) .
10	Will there be an Afterschool Showcase in 2024? If so, where will the showcase be located?	Yes, there was a 2024 Afterschool Showcase, which took place from February 22-23, 2024, at the Tuscany Suites & Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada. Attendance was only required for current 21 st Century programs.
11	For FY25 in Reno (Afterschool Showcase), who does the sub-awardee need to budget for travel? All personnel?	The subgrantee has discretion on which program staff will attend the Nevada Afterschool Showcase. All site coordinators are recommended to attend, but each program has different staffing and hiring procedures, so the subgrantee ultimately has discretion on who will attend. The subgrantee must send at least one representative to the Nevada Afterschool Showcase to share resources and takeaways with the subgrantee's 21 st Century staff.
12	Cohort 7 was tasked with holding four advisory meetings and four family engagement activities- but if I remember correctly, that changed to 2 family engagement opportunities. Is that correct?	All current subgrantees must hold four advisory meetings and two family engagement activities annually. The revised requirements of holding 2 Advisory Council meetings and 4 Family Engagement events will apply moving forward with Cohort 8.
13	Should an organization submit multiple applications per agency regarding different sites, and if so, what is the maximum number of applications?	An entity should complete one application per agency and detail within the application the varying sites that said entity is expecting to serve.
14	The required forms to complete the application cannot be found within the NOFO. Are said forms currently unavailable? Will forms be sent out through email?	The required forms needed to complete the application can be rendered by one of the NDE Education Program Professionals (Dr. Trent Smith – trent.smith@doe.nv.gov or Mr. Jonathan Park – jonathan.park@doe.nv.gov). Please reach out to either of them to acquire the forms.
15	Is there a page limit for the narrative section? If so, is there a form for this section, or does an applicant write the narrative section on their own using the Times New Roman and format info listed on the NOFO?	The narrative section can be written utilizing a blank Word document with the needed formatting supplied on page 6 of the NOFO , which details instructions stating, "Applications should be on 8 1/2 x 11 numbered pages using New Times Roman 12-point font with standard margins and numbered pages." While there is no page limit, applicants are encouraged to be thorough yet concise in their application responses.
17	What is the AS21 system?	The AfterSchool21 (AS21), or TransAct, system is an online program management software for programs that receive 21 st CCLC funding which accommodates federal and state 21APR reporting requirements, streamlines program administration, creates insightful reports, tracks funding sources, and manages data collection.
18	Was there a certain percentage of the applicant's budget to plan for an external evaluator?	Each applying entity should discuss this topic with its fiscal representative. However, as a common rule of thumb, an evaluation should comprise no more than 10% of the total projected budget.
19	If two schools are applying for out-of-school time programming under one entity, does the applicant use one application to apply and include the schools within the application, or is there a need for separate applications for each site?	There is no need for separate applications when varying schools apply under one organization. However, within the application, under the Needs Assessment (p. 16 of the NOFO) section of the application, the applicant must describe the unique needs of the participating schools and students, including details on the complex and varied needs of the target populations and support with data.