

Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grant

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MATERIALS

- RFP
- PowerPoint
- Step-by-Step Instructions

http://www.techplan.org/technology-readiness/



PURPOSE

For the development or improvement of districts' technology hard infrastructure, the shared services consolidation of technology and data and for the coordination and strategic purchasing of hardware and software in preparation for the delivery of assessments through online models.



GRANT PURPOSE

- Developing and implementing collaborative purchasing arrangements for statewide network services, and personal learning and assessment devices.
- Establishing sustainable, cost-effective collaborations of technology and data related services to assist schools and districts to become "test ready."
- Building the capacity of educators at ISDs, public school districts, and public school academies to effectively plan and implement online assessments and "Any Time, Any Place, Any Way, Any Pace" learning.



GRANT STRUCTURE

- District Participation Formula
 - District must agree to requirements
 - ISD's must also agree to requirements for their districts to be eligible
 - No longer \$10/FTE
 - An equal per pupil basis, not to exceed \$10/FTE
 - Grant budget and narrative are NOT required
- Statewide Activity Open Competitive
 - Four Activities (Administration, Data Integration, Device Purchasing Incentive, and E-Rate)
 - Management of Statewide Activity
 - No more than one award per applicant
 - Must complete the District Participation Application



ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Who is eligible?
 - LEAs
 - ISDs
 - PSAs
- Who is not eligible?
 - Non-Public schools



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Individual districts and ISDs must demonstrate need by completing the Michigan Technology Readiness Assessment tool (MTRAx) by December 18, 2015.
- Individual districts and ISDs must agree to complete an updated technology readiness planning process designated by the MDE by June 30, 2016.
- For an ISD to be eligible, the ISD must demonstrate that funds awarded on behalf of constituent districts will enable cost savings.
- Added consideration will be given to applicants that propose external partnerships and articulate plans for sustainability beyond grant funding.



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, CONT.

- The district agrees to limit participation funds spending for technology readiness efforts.
 - Online/Digital Assessment, including universal diagnostic screening tools
 - In-building wireless connectivity
 - Network services (e.g. additional bandwidth, content filtering)
 - Computer/device purchasing
 - Technology readiness for instruction and data collaborations that support online assessment readiness
- The district agrees to be represented in TRIG sponsored statewide 470 bids for E-rate funding and consider using the awarded vendors, although districts will not be bound to purchase from the bid. The district agrees to apply for all of its eligible E-rate Priority 1 service(s) where such participation is economically advantageous to the district.
- The district agrees to participate in any surveys or data collection processes sent out by the MDE or the TRIG Operations Office to inform the work of the various activities (maximum of three total per fiscal year).
- The district understands that its ISD must also agree to these requirements for the district to receive participation funds.



FUNDING STRUCTURE

- Total Funds Available \$23,500,000
- District Participation \$11,250,000
 - Distributed on an equal per pupil basis
- Statewide Activities \$12,250,000
 - Administration approx. \$500,000
 - Data Systems Integration approx. \$2,200,000
 - Device Purchasing Incentives approx. \$9,250,000
 - E-Rate approx. \$300,000



IMPORTANT DATES

- October 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017 Expenditure Period
- October 15, 2015 RFP and MEGS+ Applications Released
- December 18, 2015 MEGS+ Application and MTRAx Report Due
- January 4-7, 2016 Statewide Application Review Sessions
- January 22, 2016 Anticipated Grant Award Announcements
- June 30, 2016 Participation Requirements Complete
- August 31, 2016 Statewide Activity Progress Performance Report
- June 30, 2017 All Grant Activities Complete
- August 29, 2017 Final Expenditure Reports & Statewide Activity Final Performance Report
- January 1, 2017 Legislative Report



ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATION

State Funds

Acknowledgement

Ownership of Materials Produced

Accuracy



GRANTEE EXPECTATIONS

- TRIG Statewide Evaluation
- Link to Past Work
- Coordinate with Ongoing MDE Initiatives
- Coordinate and Reinforce Local Technology Efforts
- Collaborate between all TRIG Statewide Activities
- Follow TRIG Process and Procedures
- Maintain Current Project Management



ADMINISTRATION

- AKA Operations Office
- Up to \$500,000
- 100 Points Possible
- Purpose
 - Oversees all TRIG activities (Past and Present)
 - Focus on statewide programs
 - Communication
 - Fosters Sustainability
 - Statewide Evaluation



ADMINISTRATION - RUBRICS

- Objectives/Deliverables (40 pts.; page 11)
 - Goals, Objectives, Deliverables, Activities, Outcomes
 - Communication
 - Statewide Coordination
 - Support/Evaluation/Monitoring
- Partnerships (15 pts.; page 12)
 - Consortia Model
 - External Partnerships & Their Nature



ADMINISTRATION - RUBRICS

- Project Leadership (10 pts.; page 13)
 - Defined Leadership Roles & Past Experience
- Budget (15 pts.; page 13)
 - Narrative Linked to Deliverables
 - Allowable, Necessary, and Reasonable Summary and Detail
 - Administration Fees
- Commitment, Capacity, & Sustainability (20 pts.; page 14)
 - Sustainability Plan/Commitment
 - Capacity



E-RATE

- •\$300,000 available
- 100 Points Possible
- Purpose
 - Continued Support to Local Districts
 - Leverage Cumulative Purchasing Power
 - Increasing the Federal E-Rate Discount On Services
 - Coordination of High Level of Integrations with SEN and E-Rate Modernization Orders



E-RATE RUBRICS

- Objectives/Deliverables (40 pts.; page 15)
 - Goals, Objectives, Deliverables, Activities, Outcomes
 - Leadership will work with MDE's E-Rate Staff
 - E-Rate Stakeholders
 - E-Rate Survey
- Partnerships (10 pts.; page 16)
 - External Partnerships
 - Their Nature



E-RATE - RUBRICS

- Project Leadership (15 pts.; page 17)
 - State Level Coordination
 - Defined Leadership Roles & Past Experience
- Budget (15 pts.; page 17 & 18)
 - Narrative Linked to Deliverables
 - Allowable, Necessary, and Reasonable Summary and Detail
 - Administration Fees
- Commitment, Capacity, & Sustainability (20 pts.; page 18)
 - Sustainability Plan/Commitment
 - Capacity



DEVICE PURCHASING INCENTIVES

- \$9,250,000 available
- 100 Points Possible
- Purpose
 - Volume-based purchasing program for mobile devices and desktops
 - Devices must meet online testing requirements
 - Incentive funds focused on TRIG participating districts
 - Begin to develop best practices for districts to build sustainable device purchasing cycles



DEVICE PURCHASING INCENTIVES - RUBRIC

- Objectives/Deliverables (40 pts.; page 19 & 20)
 - Goals, Objectives, Deliverables, Activities, Outcomes
 - Marketing Plan
 - Leadership will work with MDE's Staff
 - Best Practice for Devices Purchasing Cycles
- Partnerships (10 pts.; page 20 & 21)
 - External Partnerships
 - Their Nature



DEVICE PURCHASING INCENTIVES - RUBRIC

- Project Leadership (15 pts.; page 21)
 - State Level Coordination
 - Defined Leadership Roles & Past Experience
- Budget (15 pts.; page 21 & 22)
 - Narrative Linked to Deliverables
 - Allowable, Necessary, and Reasonable Summary and Detail
 - Administration Fees
- Commitment, Capacity, & Sustainability (20 pts.; page 22)
 - Sustainability Plan/Commitment
 - Capacity



DATA INTEGRATION

- \$2,200,000 available
- 100 Points Possible
- Purpose
 - Continue to develop and implement a Standards-Based Enterprise Data Architecture that facilitates the exchange of information among the stakeholders in Michigan
 - Achieve a common, limited set of statewide, interconnected SIS program
 - Improving the "Data Hub" Technology
 - Improving connectivity beyond the piloted 20% of districts
 - Streamline the transfer of state level data between local districts, ISDs, and regions, back to the state



DATA INTEGRATION - RUBRIC

- Objectives/Deliverables (40 pts.; page 23 & 24)
 - Goals, Objectives, Deliverables, Activities, Outcomes
 - Standard-Based Enterprise Data Architecture
 - Data Transfer Streamlining
 - Activity Leadership will work with MDE
- Partnerships (10 pts.; page 24 & 25)
 - External Partnership
 - Their Nature



DATA INTEGRATION - RUBRIC

- Project Leadership (15 pts.; page 25)
 - State Level Coordination
 - Defined Leadership Roles & Past Experience
- Budget (15 pts.; page 25 & 26)
 - Narrative Linked to Deliverables
 - Allowable, Necessary, and Reasonable Summary and Detail
 - Administration Fees
- Commitment, Capacity, & Sustainability (20 pts.; page 26)
 - Sustainability Plan/Commitment
 - Capacity



APPLICATION PROCESS

- Narrative Preparations
 - 20 Page Narrative; double spaced
 - 11 point Verdana Font
 - 10 page Addenda; double spaced
 - 4 pages per participating ISD for appendices
- MEGS+
 - Step-by-Step Instruction
 - Budget
 - Attachment
- Rejection of Proposals



REVIEW PROCESS

- Review Panel
 - 3-4 Individuals per team
 - Internal and external reviewers
 - Expertise and Diversity
- Scoring
 - Based on the Rubrics
 - Top rated applications recommended for award
 - Under 90 pts. Modification Meeting Required
- Superintendent Approval



QUESTIONS

Website

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