



Restorative Justice in Education Notice of Grant Opportunity Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Q: Which agencies are eligible to apply for this grant program?

A: This opportunity is open to New Jersey public agencies, New Jersey private agencies, New Jersey non-profit organizations, and New Jersey institutions of higher education, but limited to those agencies that have experience providing technical assistance and training to school and district staff, such as teachers, and school-level administrators in the implementation of trauma-informed restorative justice practices in schools and/or other closely related topics.

Q: May an applying agency partner with an agency located outside of New Jersey?

A: Yes, an applying agency can partner with entities outside of New Jersey. These partnerships can include but are not limited to consultants, researchers, and evaluators.

Q: Can a school district issue sub-awards to each of the participating project schools?

A: Yes, a school district is an eligible agency for this grant opportunity and will be required to issue sub-awards to participating project schools.

Q: Who chooses the project schools?

A: In accordance with the law authorizing this program, the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Education will select the project schools through an application process.

Q: When will project schools be selected for participation?

A: The tentative timeframe for selecting project schools is late Spring of 2021.

Q: Should we only budget for \$320,000, since the remaining \$180,000 is required to go to schools?

A: No, up to \$320,000 may be budgeted for the grant recipient's program implementation costs. An additional \$180,000 must be budgeted for participating schools' costs.

Q: Can an applicant partner with local organizations?

A: Yes, applicants may partner with a wide range of community organizations to build the applicant's capacity to provide high-quality training and technical assistance to participating project schools.

Q: Do applicants need to include a 'Statement of Need' if it is not scored?

A: Yes, complete applications are those that include all elements listed in the Application Component Checklist. Included in that checklist is the "Narrative", which encompasses all narrative fields that may be populated within the EWEG system including the section assigned for the 'Statement of Need'.

Q: Can applicants upload tables in EWEG?

A: If a file is in a Microsoft Word document or Excel spreadsheet, applicants will be able to upload the document on the EWEG system.