

# Early Education Teacher Development Grant Program

## Request for Mandatory Letters of Intent

### Introduction

The California Department of Education (CDE) is pleased to announce the Early Education Teacher Development Grant Program. The purpose of the grant program is to increase the number of early educators available to serve California State Preschool Programs (CSPP) and transitional kindergarten (TK) programs by supporting the attainment of 24 early childhood education credits, an associate degree in Child Development, or an Early Education Multiple Subject Teaching Credential; and to increase specific competencies for early educators within the CSPP, TK, or kindergarten programs.

To be eligible for the grant, the application process will consist of two required steps:

1. Submission of a completed and signed Letter of Intent (LOI)
2. Submission of a timely and complete application following the release of the request for applications (RFA)

For more information on the funding opportunity, including allowable uses for the funds, please visit the grant's funding page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/profile.asp?id=5771&recID=5771>. The RFA will be posted in early 2022.

### Eligibility

Eligibility is limited to local educational agencies (LEA). LEAs include county offices of education, school districts, and charter schools.

An LEA may apply for funding to conduct grant activities that serve multiple LEAs and non-LEA early education providers, including CSPPs and Head Start programs operated by community-based organizations, as a part of a consortium. An LEA may include in their consortium institutions of higher education or other California Commission on Teacher Credentialing - approved institutions offering preparation programs.

To be eligible to submit an RFA, prospective applicants **must** submit an LOI or be part of a consortium under a lead LEA who has submitted an LOI.

Submission of an LOI does not bind the prospective applicant to submit an RFA or prevent an LEA from participating as a member of a consortium led by another LEA, as long as the lead LEA applicant has submitted an LOI. See the submission instructions below for additional details.

## **Funding**

A total of \$100 million is available through this grant program.

The table included in this LOI represents the preliminary funding amounts for each county, using methodology pursuant to the statutory language (*California Education Code* Section 8281.5). Preliminary county funding amounts may be revised before the RFA is released. A final county funding amount will be released with the RFA.

Should the CDE receive qualifying applications that exceed the maximum funding available for a county during the competitive RFA phase, a qualifying applicant may receive less funding than requested.

## **Letter of Intent Submission Instructions**

Prospective applicants must complete questions one through six below to complete the LOI.

Question seven is encouraged, but not required. Please note that responses for this question are not rated; however, complete responses to these questions will greatly aid the CDE in its support and technical assistance for other LEAs.

The LOI must be signed by the applicant LEA's superintendent or their designee.

Prospective applicants must submit required LOI information by **5 p.m. PST on Wednesday, February 2, 2022**, via email to [UPKworkforceRFA@cde.ca.gov](mailto:UPKworkforceRFA@cde.ca.gov).

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## Letter of Intent

### REQUIRED INFORMATION

Prospective applicants must complete questions one through six below.

#### **Applicant Information**

1. LEA Name:
2. LEA Address:
3. LEA County:
4. Contact Name:
5. Contact Email Address:
6. Contact Phone Number:

### REQUESTED INFORMATION

*Prospective applicants are encouraged to complete question seven below, to the best of their ability. The information provided will be used by the CDE for technical assistance **and will not be scored.***

#### **Proposed Service Area and Partners**

7. If information is available at this point:
  - a. If your LEA is proposing to serve multiple counties, please list the counties you intend to partner with.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - b. If your LEA is planning to apply on behalf of other LEAs, which LEA(s) within the same county or counties is your LEA proposing to serve?

- c. If your LEA is planning on applying on behalf of a consortium of non-LEA providers, which non-LEA early education providers are you intending to serve, including community-based CSPP providers and Head Start providers?
  
- d. Please specify any additional project partners, such as institutes of higher education, or planned activities to engage additional partners between now and submission of an application.
  
- e. Please specify the amount of funding you anticipate requesting. This amount cannot be greater than the maximum county funding specified in the County Funding Resource section of this LOI.

**SIGNATURE**

*On behalf of the above agency, I submit to the California Department of Education, Early Education Division, this "Letter of Intent" indicating the agency's intent to apply for the Early Education Teacher Development Grant funding. I understand that completion and submission of this form is required to be eligible for funding.*

Superintendent or Designee's Signature:

Date:

## ***Preliminary County Funding Resource***

<b>County</b>	<b>Allocation</b>
Alameda	\$3,402,490
Alpine	\$40,727
Amador	\$92,419
Butte	\$477,801
Calaveras	\$109,614
Colusa	\$117,120
Contra Costa	\$2,323,633
Del Norte	\$108,023
El Dorado	\$301,338
Fresno	\$3,296,164
Glenn	\$124,543
Humboldt	\$352,031
Imperial	\$748,447
Inyo	\$79,916
Kern	\$2,755,743
Kings	\$492,636
Lake	\$194,052
Lassen	\$85,665
Los Angeles	\$25,449,846
Madera	\$484,247
Marin	\$435,415
Mariposa	\$68,247
Mendocino	\$252,538
Merced	\$893,376
Modoc	\$57,550
Mono	\$61,230
Monterey	\$1,466,143
Napa	\$368,126
Nevada	\$175,344
Orange	\$7,666,698
Placer	\$663,931
Plumas	\$73,936
Riverside	\$6,482,864
Sacramento	\$3,740,907
San Benito	\$201,403
San Bernardino	\$6,149,633
San Diego	\$8,910,968
San Francisco	\$1,529,044
San Joaquin	\$2,259,230
San Luis Obispo	\$567,763
San Mateo	\$1,479,961

<b>County</b>	<b>Allocation</b>
Santa Barbara	\$1,282,341
Santa Clara	\$4,057,046
Santa Cruz	\$640,231
Shasta	\$439,697
Sierra	\$43,860
Siskiyou	\$123,799
Solano	\$1,054,720
Sonoma	\$956,358
Stanislaus	\$1,715,905
Sutter	\$323,770
Tehama	\$234,494
Trinity	\$64,735
Tulare	\$1,517,566
Tuolumne	\$116,708
Ventura	\$2,028,631
Yolo	\$576,732
Yuba	\$282,645
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>\$100,000,000</b>