# Restorative Practices Grant Program

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. **Who is eligible to apply for the Restorative Practices Grant?**This grant is open to LEAs in California, defined as a school district, charter school, or county office of education.
2. **Can a County Office of Education (COE) write an application on behalf of one or two Local Education Agencies (LEA)?**While a COE is encouraged to provide technical assistance to their LEAs, each LEA must submit its own application. Each application must be unique, and identical applications will not be considered (see highlighted area from page 8 of the Request for Applications (RFA) below):

D. Individualized Applications

Each application submitted must be tailored to each individual LEA. Duplications or identical applications will not be considered. An application that is copied in any part or form from another LEA’s application will automatically be rejected. Applicants must not submit an application where the text has been copied from another LEA’s previous or current application, whether another agency has voluntarily or involuntarily provided the information.

1. **Is a single charter school eligible to apply?**Yes, independently-funded charter schools are considered LEAs and are eligible to apply.
2. **Can multiple LEAs apply as a consortium?**Given the limited funding available, consortium applications are not allowed.
3. **Do applicants need to complete any kind of online registration in order to apply?**

Online registration is not required. The applications need to be submitted to the [rp@cde.ca.gov](mailto:rp@cde.ca.gov) mailbox by June 13, 2025, by 11:59 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.

1. **Does the grant need to address the entire LEA or is it acceptable to focus on certain schools?**

The grant application does not need to address the entire LEA; it is up to the LEA to select their participating schools and design a program to present in the application.

1. **Do LEAs need to serve all grades, pre-K -12, to be eligible to apply for this grant?**No, LEAs that serve various grade groupings such as pre-K – 6, 6-9, 9-12, or other combinations normally referred to as elementary, middle, junior-high, or senior-high are eligible to apply.
2. **What should an application for the restorative practices grant program include to be considered complete?**All submitted applications must include the following:

* Application Cover Sheet (Attachment 1)
* Project Abstract (1 page maximum. Single-spaced, 12-point Arial font)
* Project Narrative (6 page maximum. Single-spaced, 12-point Arial font)
* Project Budget (Attachment 2). Excel document must be provided with the application. Portable Document Format (PDF) file will not be accepted.

1. **Regarding the signature page, are e-signatures okay or do we need to collect physical signatures?**Digital or electronic signatures are acceptable.

**If you have questions, please contact:** [rp@cde.ca.gov](mailto:rp@cde.ca.gov).

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