

2020-21 Rural and Low-Income School Grant Summary

Grant Overview: The Rural and Low-Income School (RLIS) Program is an initiative of the Federal Title VI Rural Education Achievement Program. RLIS addresses the needs of rural, low-income schools, awarding funds to the Pennsylvania Department of Education, who in turn award sub-grants to eligible LEAs based on a formula. The funds are for activities specified by statute, including:

- Parent Involvement activities
- Other activities governed by statute, including those approved in:
 - Title I-A (Improving Basic Programs)
 - Title II-A (Supporting Effective Instruction)
 - Title III (Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students)
 - Title IV-A (Student Support and Academic Enrichment)

The district proposes using the grant to fund an academic teacher-coach position that was previously through RLIS last year.

Amount of Award: \$80,169.00

Due Date/Notification of Award: December, 31, 2020. Notification once the application is processed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Alternatives if not Awarded: None.

WCSD Resources Required: The district will have to revise various other Title funds to accommodate a small part of the salary of the position. If this isn't possible, the district will cover those costs.

Administrative Recommendation: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to submit an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for funding through the Rural and Low-Income Schools Program to fund one (1) academic teacher coach position.