

21st Century Community Learning Centers (21CCLC) Grant Summary

Grant Overview: The purpose of the 21CCLC grant program is to establish or expand community learning centers that provide students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools with academic enrichment opportunities by Expanding Learning Opportunities during non-school hours, along with activities designed to complement the students' regular academic program.

The district administration is proposing a submission to continue and expand the current 21CCLC after school program at Eisenhower Elementary, Youngsville Elementary/Middle, and Allegheny Valley Elementary Schools, as well as the Warren Area Elementary Center. The initial intent of the administration is to provide services to students in grades 2-5, providing the grant guidelines will allow coverage of those grades. Services would be provided to students during the school year and summer session.

Participating students would receive: Homework help, tutoring in reading and math, physical activities, snacks, and enrichment activities.

The grant requires at least one substantial partner in the project, who will be involved in both the planning and administration of the after school programming. The grant also requires a full-time program coordinator, clerical support, and an outside evaluator. Each position will be funded through the grant. The funder requires mandatory travel to conferences and trainings, which will also be funded through the grant.

Slots must be made available for students attending charter and non-public schools in the district. Those schools must also be invited to participate in the grant planning.

Amount of Award: between \$50,000-\$500,000 per year for up to three years.

Due Date/Notification of Award: Intent to apply notification due by July 28, 2014. Application due August 14, 2014. Notification in September 2014.

Alternatives if not Awarded: None.

WCSD Resources Required: Space in each attendance area for 21CCLC programming.

Administrative Recommendation: That the administration collaborate with community partners to develop a project for submission to the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant, offering an after school program for students in grades 2-5 in each of the WCSD attendance areas.