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WI 21st CCLC Grant Applications - Available!

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) is pleased to announce that the application for the Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC) grant competition is available to apply for funding beginning in the 2022-23 school year. The 21st CCLC grant is a federal grant that funds before-school, after-school, and summer programs across Wisconsin.

The purposes of the program are to:

- 1. provide opportunities for academic enrichment to help students, particularly students attending low-performing schools, to meet challenging state academic standards;
- 2. offer students a broad array of additional services, programs, and activities designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program of participating students; and
- 3. offer the families of students served by community learning centers opportunities for active and meaningful engagement in their children's education, including opportunities for literacy and related educational development

Public school districts, private schools, charter schools, and community-based organizations (including faith-based organizations) targeting students enrolled in schools eligible for Title I schoolwide programs are invited to apply. Learn more by watching the Introduction to Wisconsin 21st Century Community Learning Centers video!

Applications are due on or before 4:00 *p.m.*, *January* 28, 2022. More information and application materials are available on the DPI's <u>21st CCLC Competition website</u>.

Please note, this application is intended only for new applicants or current grantees in the final year of their grant cycles. *Current WI 21st CCLC programs in years 1-4 of their grant cycles should not participate* in this competitive grant process.

The DPI will be hosting web-based workshops to assist writers in developing grant applications. Information about the workshops is available on DPI's <u>21st CCLC</u> <u>Competition website</u>.

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