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To: District Administrators with schools identified for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) or Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI)

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Subject: 2024-25 Formula Grants for Schools Identified for CSI or ATSI

Please make sure this information gets to the correct person in your district.

Two grants are available this year to support identified schools:

- **2024-25 CSI/ATSI Grant: *Plan/Form Submission Deadline: September 30***
CSI/ATSI Grants support schools with new or continuing identifications for CSI or ATSI.
- **2024-25 CSI More Rigorous Interventions (MRI) Grant: *Plan Submission Deadline: September 30***
Schools identified for CSI in 2018 that have not exited are eligible for CSI MRI grants.

Both grants provide formula-based allocations. Applications for both grants are submitted in WISEgrants. Guidelines and allocation spreadsheets are linked below.

Application Basics

Documentation must be uploaded for each school receiving funds:

- For CSI the required document is a School Improvement Plan (SIP).
- For ATSI the required document is the ATSI Activities Form.
- For CSI-MRI the required document is a SIP that meets the requirements outlined in the grant guidelines.

A list of all the Evidence-based Improvement Strategies (EBIS) to be used in the Local Educational Agency (LEA) must also be entered, and then one or more items from the list must be linked to each school. For schools identified for CSI MRIs, EBIS choices are limited.

Items are budgeted to a specific EBIS. Budgeting for an EBIS can begin once it has been approved by Department of Public Instruction (DPI). All budget items must support a SIP that meets requirements for the identification.

Option to Fund Planning Activities–Available for ATSI

There is an option to use funds for ATSI planning activities—for example, to support a thorough needs assessment and root cause analysis. To use this option, enter “Planning” as the EBIS on the ATSI Improvement Activities Form.

For More Information

Grant guidelines and application instructions are linked below, along with other resources. If you cannot find the answers to your questions, contact Ronald “RJ” Flowers, Jr. at (608) 261-6329 or ronald.flowers@dpi.wi.gov.

Grant Information and Forms:

- [CSI/ATSI Grant guidelines](#)
- [CSI/ATSI Grant application instructions](#)
- [ATSI Improvement Activities Form](#)
- [CSI MRI Grant guidelines](#)
- [CSI MRI Allocation spreadsheet 2024-25](#)
- [CSI Allocation spreadsheet 2024-25](#)
- [ATSI Allocation spreadsheet 2024-25](#)

Additional Resources:

- [ESSA Accountability Reports webpage](#), with access to public reports
- [LEA Guide to TSI & ATSI Identifications](#)
- [Brief Guide to ESSA Identifications](#)
- [ESSA School Identifications web section](#)
- [Equity Mindset Cards](#)

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