

Transition Readiness Grant 2020-2021 School Year

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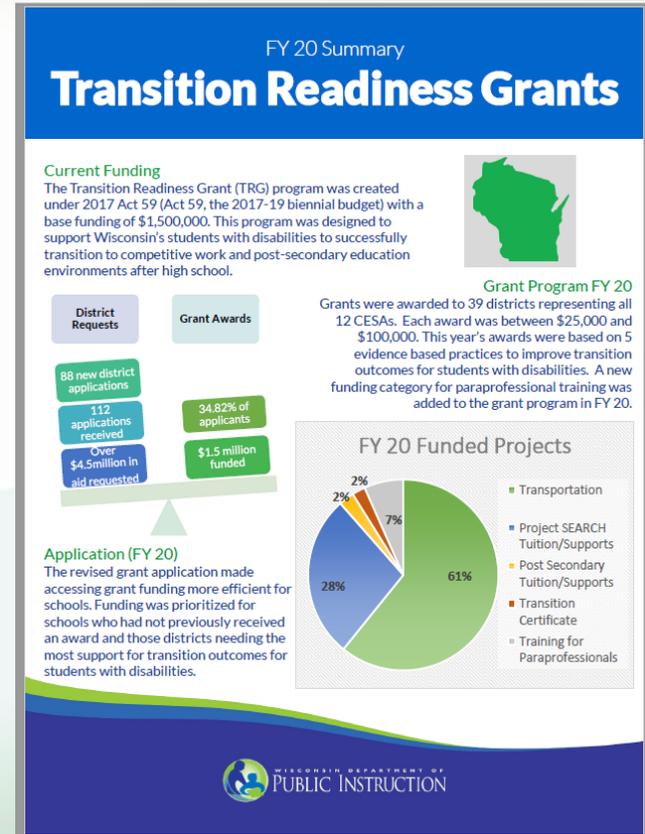
Objectives

1. Review the [Transition Readiness Grant program](#) features and future plans for the fund
2. Provide guidance for completing the application and budget/claim process
3. Answer questions

[Webinar will be recorded and posted on TIG's YouTube Channel](#)

Transition Readiness Grant Program

- Established under 2017 Act 59 to support successful transitions to work and postsecondary environments for Wisconsin's Youth with IEPs.
- Competitive grant with an annual allocation of \$1.5million through the 2020-2021 biennial state budget.
- Grant program will reviewed for changes every two years to align with state budget.
- Future programs may consider both need as well as sustainability of transition supports and services.



2020-2021 Grant Program

- \$1.5 Million total fund to support evidence based transition practices
- [Application](#) was released February 17, 2020
- Applications due April 1, 2020
- Same streamlined application and process as in 19-20

Funding and Eligibility

- Grants awards must be no less than \$25,000.00 and no more than \$100,000.00
- All public school districts, 2x, and 2r charters with a secondary population
- 5 categories of evidence based practices

II. GRANT PROPOSAL		
Award Option	Award Funding Available	Number of Requests
Transportation Options <i>Includes contracted services or vehicle purchase</i>	\$25,000 per award	
Project Search Tuition/Supports	\$9,000/student	
Post-Secondary Tuition/Supports for Student(s)	\$550/student <i>Based on average cost from WTCs for 3-credit course that will transfer to 4-year college. Collegiate transfer \$181.50/credit, Postsecondary and vocational adult \$135.20/credit.</i>	
Transition Certificate for Staff Member(s)	\$1,000/staff member	
Training for Paraprofessionals <i>Training will be held August 4-5, 2020, at the Holiday Inn Convention Center, Stevens Point, WI.</i>	\$600/staff member	
Funds to host a Community Conversation	\$500 for event	500
Total Amount Requested	Total amount requested must be between \$25,000 – \$100,000.	\$500

Allowable Costs

Award Option	Award Funding Available	Example Allowable Costs
Transportation Options	\$25,000 per grant award	Vehicle purchase, Contract with taxi company, bus service
Project Search Tuition/Supports	\$9,000/student	PS tuition, uniforms, limited transportation costs
Post-Secondary Tuition/supports for Students	\$550/student	Course tuition, Textbook costs, Field trips for college visits
Transition Certificates for staff members	\$1,000/staff member	UW Whitewater or UW Milwaukee program
Training for Paraprofessionals <i>TIG hosted training August 4-5, 2020, Holiday Inn Hotel and Convention Center, Stevens Point, WI</i>	\$600/staff member	Staff wages/benefits, travel costs: hotel, food, mileage

Funds Acquisition Process

- Funds awarded under this grant program will need to be expended between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021.
- Grant recipients will need to expend the funds and then claim for reimbursement.
- Grant recipients should claim at least two times per year via the [Program Fiscal Report \(PI-1086\)](#).

Fiscal Implications

- **The Transition Readiness Grants**
 - all expenditures are recorded as Project 451, Fund 27. Revenue is recorded as Source 630, Fund 27
 - will not increase the LEA's local MOE level.
 - revenue received should offset any expenditures coded to this new state grant project code and thus would not impact the LEA's Fund 10 to Fund 27 transfer.

Break for Questions



Completing the Application

- [Application](#) due 11:59pm on April 1, 2020.
- Email fillable PDF to carolyn.kiefer@dpi.wi.gov
- [Utilize step by step directions](#) to access your district's most recent Indicator 14 data
- Consortiums of districts can apply together



Scoring Process

- Districts who have previously NOT received a TRG award will be prioritized.
- DPI will consider Indicator 14 data in granting awards.
- DPI will consider statewide benchmarks for Indicators 1, 2 and 13 in granting awards.
- All districts will remain eligible for awards regardless of the status of the scoring components
- Scoring will take place between April 1st-May1st. Award letters will be sent out by June 1, 2020.

IF STATE BUDGET IS APPROVED.

General Requirements (For all recipients)

- Complete at least one [Community Conversation](#) around a transition topic related to your post-school outcome data or around the TRG program/funds by February 15, 2021.
- Transition Data summary completed by June 30, 2021.
 - DPI will provide more information on this data summary in Spring 2021.
- Awardees will receive \$500 on top of total grant award to complete these assurances no later than June 30, 2021.

Questions

We will now answer questions that you have about completing and submitting the application, or the grant program itself.

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Have questions after today?

Still have questions? Contact the following WDPI staff for more information on the TRG program.

Question Area	Contact Information
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Thank you!

Presentation and notes will be
posted at:

[https://dpi.wi.gov/sped/topics/transition/transition-readiness-grants.](https://dpi.wi.gov/sped/topics/transition/transition-readiness-grants)

