

21st Century Community Learning Centers Fiscal Year 2019 - Request for Applications Announcement

The Ohio Department of Education soon will be accepting 21st Century Community Learning Center grant applications. The purpose of this competitive grant program is to support the implementation of out-of-school programming and/or expanded learning time. Supported with federal funds, this grant will help districts and schools build community partnerships that support school improvement. Priorities for the program include closing proficiency gaps, increasing student engagement learning, supporting a well-rounded education, supporting social and emotional learning, and promoting college and career readiness and success.

The deadline for all Fiscal Year 2019 21st Century Community Learning Center applications is April 27, 2018, at 5 p.m.

The U.S. Department of Education annually provides 21st Century funds to states to support activities pursuant to implementing expanded learning time and out-of-school time that clearly align academic services to the identified needs of students and state academic standards. Funding for this grant is contingent upon the Department's receipt of federal funding.

Grant application period: Monday, Feb. 5, 2018, at 8 a.m. through Friday, April 27, 2018, at 5 p.m.

Submission of grant application: Applicants must submit applications through the [Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan \(CCIP\)](#), the Department's grants application system. No extensions will be permitted once the CCIP closes. The superintendent/CCIP authorized representative of the submitting organization must give final approval of the application in the CCIP *prior* to the deadline.

There will be a bidder's conference webinar for interested applicants on Jan. 10, 2018. There also will be two formal, face-to-face, public bidder's conferences offered on Wednesday, Jan. 17, 2018, and Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2018. Attending a conference is **optional**; however, applicants are strongly encouraged to participate. The bidder's conference will assist applicants in understanding the content in the application and allow applicants to ask questions regarding the various sections of the application. Details for the webinar and bidder's conferences are below.

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| Wednesday, Jan. 10 | 21st Century Bidders Conference – WEBINAR
Sign up via STARS or email the 21 st CCLC mailbox at 21stCCLC@education.ohio.gov to receive call-in details. |
| Wednesday, Jan. 17 | 21st Century Bidders Conference – IN-PERSON
Corporate College Conference Center
4400 Richmond Rd., Room 205
Warrensville Hts., Ohio 44128
10 a.m.-noon or 2-4 p.m. |
| Tuesday, Jan. 23 | 21st Century Bidders Conference – IN-PERSON
Deer Creek State Park Lodge and Conference Center
22300 State Park Rd. 20, White Oak Room
Mt. Sterling, Ohio 43143
10 a.m.-noon or 2-4 p.m. |

The Ohio Department of Education will host Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan (CCIP) trainings in February and March for the purposes of submitting a 21st Century Community Learning Center (CCLC) application. This training will provide an overview of the CCIP system, navigating within the system and steps to submit a 21st Century grant application. The training is not mandatory but highly recommended for new CCIP users.

CCIP Navigation Training – for new applicants

Feb. 8, 2018: Central Region: Result Data, 110 Polaris Parkway, Suite 100, Westerville 43082
Optional – 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Feb. 21 & 22, 2018: Northeast Region: Lorain Community College, Spitzer Conference Center, 1005 N Abbe Rd, Elyria 44035
Optional – 1:30-3:30 p.m.

March 8, 2018: Southwest Region: MAX Training, 4900 Parkway Drive, Suite 160, Mason 45040
Optional – 1:30-3:30 p.m.

March 14, 2018: Northwest Region: Herzing University, 5212 Hills Ave, Room 100, Toledo 43615
Optional – 1:30-3:30 p.m.

March 21, 2018: Southeast Region: Zane State College, 1555 Newark Road, Room 430, Zanesville 43701
Optional – 1:30-3:30 p.m.

For more information regarding 21st Century Community Learning Centers programming, go to <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/other-Resources/21st-Century>.

For further assistance specific to the 21st Century application, please send your request to 21stCCLC@education.ohio.gov.