

## 2024 Florida Public Charter School Program (CSP) Grant for Planning, Program Design, and Implementation

Request for Proposals (RFP) Questions and Answers

- **Q 1.** Are applications only being accepted for the schools opening fall 2024 school year? Per the information under Eligible Applicants on page 2 of the <u>RFP</u>, an eligible applicant that does not intend to open a charter school in the 2024-25 school year should not apply for funding under this competition but should instead apply for future competitions.
- Q 2. Is there an application cycle for schools that have approved charter applications that are anticipated to open for the 2025-2026 academic year?
  We anticipate the next CSP competition will take place in the spring of 2025 where charter schools opening in the 2025-26 school year will be eligible to apply.
- Q 3. If the charter school application has not yet been approved by the county (sponsor), would we qualify for this grant?

Per the information under Eligible Applicants on page 2 of the <u>RFP</u>, to be eligible to apply to and receive this grant, an applicant must meet the following conditions:

- Submitted a charter school application to Sponsoring Entities as defined in section 1002.33(5), Florida Statutes (F.S.), using the Department's model charter school application (Form IEPC-M1, effective February 2016 or later) as adopted in State Board of Education Rule 6A-6.0786, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.); and
  - Charter application has been *approved* by the Sponsoring Entity; or
  - Charter application is *denied and pending an appeal*.
- Q 4. If a school has staff in the fall of 2024 and begins serving students in January 2025 (during the 24-25 school year) would we qualify for this grant?

Per the information under Eligible Applicants on page 2 of the <u>RFP</u>, to be eligible to apply to and receive this grant, an applicant must open a charter school in the 2024-25 school year.

- Q 5. What is the link to view the recorded Stage I webinar? The webinar can be accessed via the link below. https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/1423060956582115840
- Q 6. I would like to confirm that this is for schools that are in their initial phases, we have been open for 6 years. Therefore, is this not applicable? This is a competition for charter schools that opened as of August 2021 with their own contract and MSID.
- Q 7. Which applicants must complete Addendum DD? Only applicants considered an "Experienced Operator"?

No, the Addendum DD, Applicant History Worksheet, is one of the forms required as part of the model charter school application (the Department's model charter school application is Form IEPC-M1, effective February 2016 or later). Please keep in mind that, an applicant's charter application should be uploaded to Survey Monkey Apply exactly how it was submitted to and approved by the school's sponsor.



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**Q 8.** Our school is expanding into high school grades, are we eligible for the CSP grant? This is a competition for charter schools that opened as of August 2021 with their own contract and MSID, not for charter school expansions.