Ready, Set, Apply!
FSCS Webinar Series

Topic: Project Design and Partnerships
July 14, 2022
The Coalition’s Vision

Our Mission
Transform public schools into Community Schools to unite schools, families, and communities to create experiences for all students to feel they belong, are valued, and have purpose.

Our Values

PURSUE EQUITY by creating just opportunities for our most vulnerable children and youth.

PRACTICE DEMOCRACY by sharing responsibility towards achieving our shared vision and goals.

PROMOTE HARMONY by giving more of ourselves than we expect of others.

Our Vehicle

Community Schools are a local engagement strategy that creates and coordinates opportunities through a public school to accelerate student success. It serves as a vehicle for hyper-local decision-making that responds to the unique hopes and needs of each community.
Context for Defining Community Schools

• Under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), a full-service community school is defined as a public elementary or secondary school that:

  • (a) Participates in a **community-based effort** to coordinate and integrate educational, developmental, family, health, and other comprehensive services through community-based organizations and public and private partnerships; and
  
  • (b) **Provides access to such services in school** to students, families, and the community, such as access during the school year (including before-and after-school hours and weekends), as well as during the summer.
Today’s Goal

Today’s goal is to provide a very brief overview of the recently released Notice Inviting Applications for the FSCS Grant followed by a discussion with previous grants recipients related to their project design. Future topics of discussion will include continuous improvement, evaluation, and budgeting.

Webinar Dates

• **July 14:** Project Design and Partnerships
• **July 28:** Evaluation
• **August 4:** Budgeting
FSCS: Notice Released!

Applications Available
July 13, 2022

Deadline for Notice of Intent to Apply
August 12, 2022

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications
September 12, 2022

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review
November 10, 2022
FSCS: Absolute Priorities Summary

- **Absolute Priority 1**: Title 1A Schoolwide Program Eligibility
- **Absolute Priority 2**: Title 1A Schoolwide Program Eligibility and Rural Districts – Small and Rural or Rural and Low-Income
- **Absolute Priority 3**: Capacity Building and Development
- **Absolute Priority 4**: Multi-Local Education Agency
- **Absolute Priority 5**: FSCS State Scaling
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FSCS: Competitive Priorities Summary

**Competitive Preference Priority 1** (up to 5 points)
- Meeting Student Social, Emotional, and Academic Needs

**Competitive Preference Priority 2** (up to 5 points)
- Strengthening Cross-Agency Coordination and Community Engagement to Advance Systemic Change
Project Design and Partnerships: Today's Panel

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Select Criteria: Quality of Project Design = Up to 25 points
- High-quality, evidence-based implementation plan integrating four pillars and appropriate evaluation

Today's Panelists
- Lisa Fiore, Director Community School Network, United Way of Greater Lehigh Valley, PA
- Kim McWilliams, Chief Officer of Family, School, and Community Partnerships, Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation, IN
- Asim Pleas, Director, The Education Effect, Florida International University, FL
Thank you & Feedback Survey
Additional Resources & Next Steps

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- July 28: Evaluation
- August 4: Budgeting

Available now: "Coalition for Community Schools - Coaching Sessions"
- https://www.communityschools.org/department-of-education-full-service-community-schools-grant-program/

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