

Learn24 Summer Strong 2022 Out-of-School Time Grant Competition Request for Applications Questions and Answers

Q1. If an organization is not seeking the full grant award amount does that change the requirement regarding evidence-based curriculum?

A. The evidence-based criteria is optional, and only required if the applicant is requesting the maximum award amount.

Q2. If an organization has two facilities and has not determined a location for summer programming, can they amend the cover page prior to summer programming?

A. Cover pages cannot be changed once the competition has closed. If an organization is awarded, the organization can modify the program locations prior to executing the grant agreement.

Q3. If an organization's Fiscal Year began October 1st, should they submit the FY21 balance sheet and profit/loss statement?

A. Organizations should submit the "current" balance sheet and profit/loss statement available. If at the time of submission, it is a new fiscal year, please submit current and previous year statements.

Q4. Do meals for participants count as direct program costs?

A. Yes. However, it is recommended that applicants take advantage of the Summer Meals program. More information can be found at https://osse.dc.gov/dcyouthmeals

Q5. Do salaries for staff count as direct program costs?

A. Yes, if staff has direct hours associated with the program being proposed.

Q6. Can an organization schedule a meeting with someone regarding the eligibility status to determine if they are eligible to apply for the grant?

A. The RFA details the eligibility requirements for this RFA, all of which can be found in section A.3. If additional information is needed contact <u>Summer2022RFA@dc.gov</u> with any questions.

Q7. Is the budget narrative included in the page limit for the narrative overall?

A. Yes.

Q8. Does the OST Office support virtual programs or do programs need to be in person?

A. The OST Office has a preference for in-person programs.

Q9. Is the dosage of a minimum of 5 hours per day, 5 days per week, for 5 consecutive weeks flexible?

A. No.



Q10. Can the summer syllabus provided be from the past years program?

A. The syllabus should closely detail what programming will look like in Summer 2022.

Q11. The questions in B.2.4 "Describe how the program model will be amended while ensuring outcomes are achieved in relation to previous historical success" and B.2.5 "Describe changes made to the program design based on data received in previous years" seem to be the same. Please describe how the questions differ.

A. Question B.2.4 is how the applicant uses historical success or lack of success to changes or improved the program to meet intended outcomes, program goals, and objectives. In question B.2.5, applicant should describe changes to the program as a result of other data such as participant survey, staff feedback, school input, etc. This could include formative assessments and other data received that changes the program design or implementation.

Q12. If an organization receives Learn24 funding as a Year Round grantee, but the funding does not cover all of the summer program sites, are they still eligible to apply for the Summer Strong grant.

A: No. Any organization that is receiving a Fiscal Year 2022 Year-Round grant or has a grant from the OST Office for a summer program, is not eligible to apply to this competition.