Each Child Reads Steps to Apply

General Guidance

The Ohio Department of Education announces a competition for the Each Child Reads grant for dyslexia supports in preschool, kindergarten and first grade. The department was allocated \$1 million in the 2022-23 Biennium budget to expand its work through the Model Demonstration Project for Early Identification of Students with Dyslexia. Approximately 90 percent of the award will be distributed directly to local education agencies and early childhood education programs to support needs assessment, professional learning and implementing dyslexia supports in instructional practices and programs.

This three-year grant will focus on supporting programs to perform a comprehensive needs assessment of early literacy instructional practices and programs and address literacy in preschool through first grade. Grantees will use funds to (1) receive professional learning and support for teachers and principals to improve their ability to provide instruction for children with dyslexia and/or at risk for further reading difficulties and (2) collaborate with the Department to identify professional learning opportunities aligned to the science of reading.

Grant awards are available to city, local, and exempted village school districts, community schools, STEM schools or chartered nonpublic schools.

Please send any questions to <u>dyslexia@education.ohio.gov.</u>

Steps to Apply for the Each Child Reads

- Review the eligibility requirements for local subgrants. <u>Eligibility requirements</u> for local education agencies are available on the Department's website.
 Submit the *Intent to Apply*, including a local literacy plan, by September 23, 2021.
- 2. Submit the Intent to Apply, including a local literacy plan, by September 23, 2021. The <u>Intent to Apply</u> must be completed online by September 23, 2021. The Intent to Apply <u>questions</u> can be reviewed on the Department's website. Review technical assistance resources for applicants.

The Department will make available resources to assist applicants in developing proposals, including information on structured literacy in Ohio's Plan to Raise Literacy Achievement and samples of instructional and professional resources. <u>These resources</u> will be available on the Department's website in early fall 2021.

 Complete the Each Child Reads Grant application. A <u>Request for Applications</u> will be announced and posted to the Department's website in early September 2021. The Each Child Read grant application and all required documents, as outlined in the Request for Applications upon release, must be submitted through the CCIP. This application is expected to open in October 2021 and is expected to close in early November 2021.

