New Jersey Department of Education School Improvement Grant (SIG)

Cohort 4/4R – Solicitation to Increase Year 5 Allocation

Due Date: May 3, 2021

New Jersey Department of Education P.O. Box 500 Trenton, NJ 08625-0500

http://www.state.nj.us/education

# **Instructions**

## **Eligibility to Apply**

Eligibility for this solicitation is limited to the following LEAs and designated schools currently participating in the SIG Cohort 4 or 4R:

LEA	SCHOOL	SCHOOL CODE
Glassboro	Glassboro Intermediate School	15-1730-078
Newark	Avon Avenue Elementary School	13-3570-220

### **Cover Page**

Insert all requested information. Ensure that the Chief School Administrator's signature is included in **both** areas denoted on the cover page.

### **Program Description**

Provide a detailed description of the planned summer programming designed to mitigate the academic and social emotional impact of COVID on students and staff.

## **Revised Year-5 Project Activity Plan**

This solicitation is designed to supplement the current Year 5 allocation; hence, applicants must revise the appropriate 20-21 Annual School Plan (ASP) SMART Goal page(s) to demonstrate the link between the project and requested resources. Print SMART Goal pages in which there are revisions (e.g. If there are only changes to the ELA activity plan, there's no need to print the Math and Climate and Culture activity plans). Highlight relevant action steps (existing or new) to demonstrate the link between the program and budget and submit revised SMART Goal pages with the Solicitation Package.

#### **Revised Year-5 Budget Detail Pages**

The LEA must submit revised Year-5 Budget Detail Forms with revisions clearly marked, including project activity links using goal and objective numbers. All revisions to the budget must include a brief description of requested resources/services and a clear cost-basis. Submit only the sections of the budget in which there are revisions (e.g. If there are only changes to the Form D - Supplies and Materials, there's no need to submit the other budget forms.)

## **Budget Modification Request Worksheet**

Since this application is for a supplemental allocation rather than a new allocation, each applicant must include a budget modification request worksheet for the original Year 5 allocation. Instructions for completing the Budget Modification Request Worksheet is as follows:

• Use the <u>pre-populated</u> budget modification forms that were sent to your Business Office by the NJDOE Office of Grants Management. Section I of these pre-populated forms reflect the approved FY-21 budget.

- Section II, Federal column, must reflect the additional funds that are being requested for each line. Be certain that the amount requested for each line is consistent with the additional amount requested on the Budget Detail pages.
- Section III (Revised Budget) must reflect the sum of the figures in Sections I and II.

### **Technical Assistance**

Technical assistance is available upon request. Contact SIG program officer, Eileen Burch (eileen.burch@doe.nj.gov) to schedule an appointment.

### Submission

Use the following checklist to ensure submission of a complete application. Failure to include all required components may result in the application being removed from consideration. Do not submit instruction pages.

Required Components of Solicitation	Included ( 🖍
Signed Cover Page	
Program Description	
Revised Project Activity Plan Pages (with relevant action steps highlighted)	
Revised Budget Detail Pages (with revisions highlighted)	
Budget Modification Request Worksheet	

Completed applications must be submitted by **4:00 PM on May 3, 2021** to:

Application Control Center New Jersey Department of Education 100 Riverview Executive Plaza P.O. Box 500 Trenton, NJ 08625-0500

# NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION COVER PAGE \*\*SIG: COHORT 4/4R-Solicitation to Increase FY-21 (Year 5) Allocation\*\*

<b>SECTION I:</b> NGO#: <u>21 - SG17 - H03</u>	Title: School Improvement Grant					
SECTION II, PART A: Glassboro Intermediate School 202 N Delsea Dr	Internal use only	School Code Sequence	Type	Region — —		
School NameSchool AddressGlassboro NJ 08028School City, State, Zip7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> gradeGrade Span of SchoolLaVonyia Mitchell856-652-2700 ext.2104School Principal NamePhone #Positive ActionSIG Model Selected	Glassboro Public Schools   LEA Name   Dr. Robert Preston   SIG Program Director Name   (856) 652-2700 ext 6304   SIG Program Director Telephone #   (856) 881-0884   SIG Program Director Fax #   rpreston@gpsd.us   SIG Program Director E-mail					
Funds requested in this application: \$99,506 To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained in the application is true and correct.						
Certification of Chief School Administrator				Date		
<b>SECTION II Part B</b> The school application has been duly authorized by the governing body of the _Glassboro Public School school district (county code _15_, District Code _1730_, School Code078).						
Signature of Chief School Administrator Date	Tit	le				
Business Administrator:	Phone:		Fax:			

#### **Program Description**

Provide a detailed description of the summer programming including resources and services that will mitigate the academic and socio-emotional impact of COVID on students and staff and that will support optimal transition to the FY-22 school year.

Due to the number of modifications and deficits caused by the pandemic, our summer inperson program will assist students with the formality and rigor of school. Students need to be re-taught or taught in some cases critical thinking skills, organizational skills, meeting deadlines, study habits, test taking strategies, etc. This program is critical in assisting students in retaining grade level skills which normally decline over the summer. Our goal with our summer program is to help students gain and retain skills lost or underutilized over the last 15 months.

This in-person program, which we call Summer Enrichment, will focus on Math, ELA, and SEL. We currently have budgeted for 16 days of enrichment. With social distancing rules, we feel this will accommodate 24 to 30 students. The goal is to expand this Summer Enrichment program to accommodate 40 to 60 students per session and run two sessions. This would be a total of 80 to 120 students.

Students will enjoy a fun, creative summer schedule. They will rotate through sessions taught by certified teachers, counselors, and educational staff.

Students will begin their day with us with a 30-minute social emotional learning experience. Our guidance counselor will provide the lessons to students, working in tandem with the HopeWorks team.

Then students rotate through three sessions, each 70 minutes. Each child, during those 210 minutes, will cycle through a Math module, an English Language Arts module, and a session titled Build, Fit, Fun.

ELA and Math sessions will focus on improving academic skills that will get students back on track and prepared for the upcoming 2021 / 2022 school year. Teachers will use more handson, interactive, and teambuilding techniques, such as the use of manipulatives, IXL programming, real world challenges and experiences, as well as whole group, small group, and independent scenarios to increase student basic skills in both ELA and Math.

Adding an SEL component will be beneficial because our students are lacking appropriate inperson interaction with their peers. This has negatively impacted their social emotional and academic growth. Students have become comfortable interacting behind a screen, so our goal is to enhance their social interaction skills through an in-person program using minimal technology.

The fourth summer program component, our *Build*, *Fit*, *Fun* sessions, will focus on student wellbeing. Students will participate in physical activities, teambuilding challenges, dynamic real world problem-solving activities, and art lessons. *Build*, *Fit*, *Fun* sessions will be a way to

decrease stress, increase confidence, use brain power, and to get students back in the social arena.

Due to the COVID pandemic, the number of students who are at-risk and behind socially and academically has risen to an alarming rate this school year. Therefore, with additional funding we hope to increase staff for the already approved session to allow us to reach even more students. Equally important, we would like to offer a second session—an additional 16 days-to accommodate and reach even more students.

The second session will allow us to reach an even larger proportion of these students. We are not looking in increase the days any student comes. Rather, we want to be able to offer inperson instruction to more students throughout the summer.

We are targeting rising 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who have failed ELA and / or Math for the 20 / 21 school year in the hope that they will be more prepared and on track academically, socially, and emotionally for the 21 / 22 school year.

Another issue we will be able to address is the need for a nurse this year for our Summer Enrichment program. Due to COVID, and state suggested guidelines, we need to add a nurse to our staffing for this year's programming.