

Q1. Is there a reason that questions about the grant are posted in different places? I\Our turn-around time to write the grant this year is less time than last year, and I understand why. However, having information in different places makes it very difficult to make sure we are covering everything we need to cover.

A. All information required to complete the AEFLA application is listed on the website under College and Career Readiness.

Q2. Our portal is not showing us a portal to upload the grant itself on the Perkins site. Is that found somewhere else?

A. Directions for using the portal are contained in the grant application.

Q3. In our budget, do we have to include our total budget (state and federal) request? I am curious why we would include our state request since we are only writing for the federal funds.

A. All the state FTE-generated Literacy funds must be budgeted as match.

Q4. Is there any information available now on upcoming professional development sponsored by NCCCS that we may use in making our PD plans?

A. There is no information currently available about what professional development will be offered in FY 2018-2019.

Q5. I am planning to expand services into the county jail without reducing funds that support my existing programs under the 231 grant. Is the 225 grant a separate pot of money I can apply for in addition to the funds I apply for in the 231 grant?

A. The 225 funds are not a separate pot of money; however, they are a different grant opportunity which allows several new program services and activities.

Q6. Budget outlay-does it include federal monies received last year plus the state match for total sought?

A. The planning budget you submit should be based on your federal award last year and on your college's FTE-generated Literacy funds.

Q7. Is state match 100% or \$100,000?

A. All the state FTE-generated Literacy funds must be budgeted as match.

Q8. Do we use the total operational budget of our program or just figure from last years Federal dollars plus state match?

A. For planning purposes, use your state and federal budget from last year.

Q9. Consideration 3-if previously funded do we have to complete the table 4 chart or is the % area considered a chart (it says to complete the chart below and it also says if previously funded just the data from %)?

A. If funded in 2017-2018, simply fill in the appropriate MSG %.

Q10. How much money is available for 225 grants this year as a state and for each program to apply for? Where in the RFP is this stated? Is the 225 separate from 231 this year or is it all combined? Where in the RFP is this stated?

A. This information is not contained in the RFP. The System Office will not know the funding amount available until the federal award is received. Additionally, the State Board of Community Colleges has not yet approved the Title II funding formula.

Q11. Why is a cash match required?

A. The System Office Finance Department requires all WIOA-Title II providers to provide a cash match to the federal award.

Q12. How do programs calculate the 1.5% infrastructure cost?

A. The infrastructure funding is based on the agreed upon formula in the signed MOUs. The MOU requires a cash transfer to support the infrastructure costs of the one-stop system. There will be new MOUs established for the next fiscal year. For budget purpose, calculate 1.5% of the 5% federal administration amount. Note: this fiscal year, the infrastructure funding was only for six months; therefore, the calculated amount was divided in half.

Q13. had sent in a question asking if each bulleted item beneath each Consideration was a separate question with the 3,500 character count limit each. I asked this question because each Consideration actually has multiple questions—not just one question for each Consideration. I never received clarification on this and two answers provided on the Q&A appear to say different things.

A. Each bulleted question underneath the Consideration does **NOT** have a 3,500 character limit each. The entire Consideration to include the bulleted questions have a 3,500 character limit. The bullets within each consideration are treated as prompts. Therefore, they should be answered, however applicants must still adhere to 3,500 character limit for the entire consideration. Sources and resources will not be included in the word count maximum. However, tables and charts will be included in the character/word count limit.

Q14. Can Working Smart be considered as a Credential?

A. Working Smart is a certificate that can be earned, not a credential.

Q15. On table 7 Should we include Directors position even though is not paid out of CCR funds?

A. The only personnel to be included on the Table 7 are staff who teach.

Q16. Does a 7-12 grade certification also count as credential?

A. All k-12 certifications count as approved credentials.

Q17. Where can providers find the 2016-2017 Table 7 data from the System Office?

A. The Research and Performance Management Section is preparing revised tables and will include Table 7. These tables will be distributed as soon as possible.

