# § 6612. Subgrants to local educational agencies

# (a) Allocation of funds to local educational agen-

# (1) In general

From funds reserved by a State under section 6611(c)(1) of this title for a fiscal year, the State, acting through the State educational agency, shall award subgrants to eligible local educational agencies from allocations described in paragraph (2).

#### (2) Allocation formula

From the funds described in paragraph (1), the State educational agency shall allocate to each of the eligible local educational agencies in the State for a fiscal year the sum of—

- (A) an amount that bears the same relationship to 20 percent of such funds for such fiscal year as the number of individuals aged 5 through 17 in the geographic area served by the agency, as determined by the Secretary on the basis of the most recent satisfactory data, bears to the number of those individuals in the geographic areas served by all eligible local educational agencies in the State, as so determined; and
- (B) an amount that bears the same relationship to 80 percent of the funds for such fiscal year as the number of individuals aged 5 through 17 from families with incomes below the poverty line in the geographic area served by the agency, as determined by the Secretary on the basis of the most recent satisfactory data, bears to the number of those individuals in the geographic areas served by all the eligible local educational agencies in the State, as so determined.

# (3) Rule of construction

Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a consortium of local educational agencies that are designated with a locale code of 41, 42, or 43, or such local educational agencies designated with a locale code of 41, 42, or 43 that work in cooperation with an educational service agency, from voluntarily combining allocations received under this part for the collective use of funding by the consortium for activities under this section.

# (b) Local applications

# (1) In general

To be eligible to receive a subgrant under this section, a local educational agency shall submit an application to the State educational agency at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the State educational agency may reasonably require.

### (2) Contents of application

Each application submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

- (A) A description of the activities to be carried out by the local educational agency under this section and how these activities will be aligned with challenging State academic standards.
- (B) A description of the local educational agency's systems of professional growth and improvement, such as induction for teachers, principals, or other school leaders and

opportunities for building the capacity of teachers and opportunities to develop meaningful teacher leadership.

- (C) A description of how the local educational agency will prioritize funds to schools served by the agency that are implementing comprehensive support and improvement activities and targeted support and improvement activities under section 6311(d) of this title and have the highest percentage of children counted under section 6333(c) of this title.
- (D) A description of how the local educational agency will use data and ongoing consultation described in paragraph (3) to continually update and improve activities supported under this part.

(E) An assurance that the local educational agency will comply with section 7881 of this title (regarding participation by private school children and teachers).

(F) An assurance that the local educational agency will coordinate professional development activities authorized under this part with professional development activities provided through other Federal, State, and local programs.

#### (3) Consultation

In developing the application described in paragraph (2), a local educational agency shall—

- (A) meaningfully consult with teachers, principals, other school leaders, paraprofessionals (including organizations representing such individuals), specialized instructional support personnel, charter school leaders (in a local educational agency that has charter schools), parents, community partners, and other organizations or partners with relevant and demonstrated expertise in programs and activities designed to meet the purpose of this subchapter;
- (B) seek advice from the individuals and organizations described in subparagraph (A) regarding how best to improve the local educational agency's activities to meet the purpose of this subchapter; and
- (C) coordinate the local educational agency's activities under this part with other related strategies, programs, and activities being conducted in the community.

# (4) Limitation

Consultation required under paragraph (3) shall not interfere with the timely submission of the application required under this section.

(Pub. L. 89–10, title II,  $\S 2102$ , as added Pub. L. 114–95, title II,  $\S 2002$ , Dec. 10, 2015, 129 Stat. 1925.)

# PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 6612, Pub. L. 89–10, title II,  $\S 2112$ , as added Pub. L. 107–110, title II,  $\S 201$ , Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1623, related to State applications, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 114–95,  $\S 5$ , title II,  $\S 2002$ , Dec. 10, 2015, 129 Stat. 1806, 1913, effective Dec. 10, 2015, except with respect to certain noncompetitive programs and competitive programs.

A prior section 2102 of Pub. L. 89-10 was classified to section 6602 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 114-95.

Another prior section 2102 of Pub. L. 89–10 was classified to section 6622 of this title, prior to the general amendment of this subchapter by Pub. L. 107–110.

Another prior section 2102 of Pub. L. 89–10 was classified to section 3002 of this title, prior to the general amendment of Pub. L. 89–10 by Pub. L. 103–382.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Dec. 10, 2015, except with respect to certain noncompetitive programs and competitive programs, see section 5 of Pub. L. 114-95, set out as an Effective Date of 2015 Amendment note under section 6301 of this title.

# §6613. Local uses of funds

### (a) In general

A local educational agency that receives a subgrant under section 6612 of this title shall use the funds made available through the subgrant to develop, implement, and evaluate comprehensive programs and activities described in subsection (b), which may be carried out—

- (1) through a grant or contract with a forprofit or nonprofit entity; or
- (2) in partnership with an institution of higher education or an Indian tribe or tribal organization (as such terms are defined under section 5304 of title 25).

# (b) Types of activities

The programs and activities described in this subsection—

- (1) shall be in accordance with the purpose of this subchapter;
- (2) shall address the learning needs of all students, including children with disabilities, English learners, and gifted and talented students; and
- (3) may include, among other programs and activities—
  - (A) developing or improving a rigorous, transparent, and fair evaluation and support system for teachers, principals, or other school leaders that—
    - (i) is based in part on evidence of student achievement, which may include student growth; and
    - (ii) shall include multiple measures of educator performance and provide clear, timely, and useful feedback to teachers, principals, or other school leaders;
  - (B) developing and implementing initiatives to assist in recruiting, hiring, and retaining effective teachers, particularly in low-income schools with high percentages of ineffective teachers and high percentages of students who do not meet the challenging State academic standards, to improve within-district equity in the distribution of teachers, consistent with section 6311(g)(1)(B) of this title, such as initiatives that provide—
    - (i) expert help in screening candidates and enabling early hiring;
    - (ii) differential and incentive pay for teachers, principals, or other school leaders in high-need academic subject areas and specialty areas, which may include performance-based pay systems;
    - (iii) teacher, paraprofessional, principal, or other school leader advancement and professional growth, and an emphasis on leadership opportunities, multiple career paths, and pay differentiation;

(iv) new teacher, principal, or other school leader induction and mentoring programs that are designed to—

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- (I) improve classroom instruction and student learning and achievement; and
- (II) increase the retention of effective teachers, principals, or other school leaders:
- (v) the development and provision of training for school leaders, coaches, mentors, and evaluators on how accurately to differentiate performance, provide useful feedback, and use evaluation results to inform decisionmaking about professional development, improvement strategies, and personnel decisions; and
- (vi) a system for auditing the quality of evaluation and support systems;
- (C) recruiting qualified individuals from other fields to become teachers, principals, or other school leaders, including mid-career professionals from other occupations, former military personnel, and recent graduates of institutions of higher education with records of academic distinction who demonstrate potential to become effective teachers, principals, or other school leaders;
- (D) reducing class size to a level that is evidence-based, to the extent the State (in consultation with local educational agencies in the State) determines that such evidence is reasonably available, to improve student achievement through the recruiting and hiring of additional effective teachers;
- (E) providing high-quality, personalized professional development that is evidence-based, to the extent the State (in consultation with local educational agencies in the State) determines that such evidence is reasonably available, for teachers, instructional leadership teams, principals, or other school leaders, that is focused on improving teaching and student learning and achievement, including supporting efforts to train teachers, principals, or other school leaders to—
  - (i) effectively integrate technology into curricula and instruction (including education about the harms of copyright piracy);
  - (ii) use data to improve student achievement and understand how to ensure individual student privacy is protected, as required under section 1232g of this title (commonly known as the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974") and State and local policies and laws in the use of such data;
  - (iii) effectively engage parents, families, and community partners, and coordinate services between school and community;
  - (iv) help all students develop the skills essential for learning readiness and academic success;
  - (v) develop policy with school, local educational agency, community, or State leaders; and
- (vi) participate in opportunities for experiential learning through observation;
- (F) developing programs and activities that increase the ability of teachers to effec-