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Section 225.20 Eligible Applicants

Proposals for grant awards under Section 2-3.93 of the School Code [105 ILCS 5/2-3.93] may be submitted by public school districts. Charter schools, public university laboratory schools approved by the State Board of Education pursuant to Section 18-8.05(K) of the School Code [105 ILCS 5/18-8.05(K)], and area vocational centers are also eligible to apply (see 105 ILCS 5/27A-11.5, 2-3.109a, and 2-3.109b, respectively).

a) If a joint application is submitted, then an administrative agent shall be designated, and the superintendent from each of the participating districts shall sign the application.

b) Applicants who propose to use a subcontractor shall provide the information required by Section 225.30(c)(8).

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Section 225.60 Terms of the Grant

a) All grants issued under this Part shall be governed by the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1989, ch. 127, par. 2301 et seq.) [30 ILCS 705].

b) The time period of the grant shall run from September 1 (July 1) of the calendar year or from a date to be negotiated through August 31 (June 30) of the following calendar year.

c) A negotiated and finalized proposal returned to the applicant, with an authorized signature affixed to the cover page, will constitute an approved agreement with the State Board of Education. This notification will be made not later than forty-five (45) calendar days after the amount of the negotiated budget for the applicant's project is determined.

d) Recipients of grant awards shall maintain records on program and fiscal activities for a period of three years following the end of the grant period; however, if there are outstanding audit exceptions, then records shall be retained until such exceptions are closed out to the satisfaction of the State Board of Education. Such records include fiscal accounting for all monies in accordance with 23 Ill. Adm. Code 110 (Program Accounting Manual) and the final report specified in subsection (f). An audit report which includes a certified opinion and statement of receipts and disbursements compared to the approved budget shall be submitted to the State Board no later than forty-five (45) days after the end of the contract period.

e) Payments from the State Board of Education to grantees shall be made according to a negotiated payment schedule. Initial payment shall not exceed 50 percent of the project budget. Amounts projected for each month are expected to be a reflection of need for that month and not simply the total budget divided by the number of months in the project. Following negotiations, contract budgets may be amended by completing an amendment to the approved budget summary and payment schedule form, using forms supplied by the State Board of Education and attaching supplementary documentation showing variances and justifications. A budget amendment is necessary whenever an approved
individual line item changes by more than $500 $1,000 or 10 20 percent (whichever is larger) from the approved budget. A budget amendment must also be submitted for approval when a grantee proposes to use funds for allowable expenditures not identified in the approved budget. Changes will be approved if the proposed distribution of resources or activities would have been approvable within the original application.

f) Successful applicants shall submit a final report specifying:

1) the extent to which project objectives have been accomplished;

2) prevention services provided;

3) resources utilized; and

4) any similar program-related information that the State Superintendent of Education may request upon 30 days' written notice.

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