# PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS

# Private School Handbook TITLE II & TITLE IV 2025-2026

A GUIDE FOR PARTICIPATING PRIVATE SCHOOLS

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Supporting Effective Instruction
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Student Support and Academic Enrichment

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#### **Overview**

Activities supported with Title II or Title IV funds must be in addition to, not in place of, what the school would otherwise provide. It would be supplanting to use Title II or Title IV funds to provide services or resources a private school should provide in the absence of these funds.

Title II: Supporting Effective Instruction	Title IV: Student Support and Academic				
	Enrichment				
Purpose:	Purpose:				
<ul> <li>Increase student achievement consistent with the challenging state academic standards.</li> </ul>	Provide students with access to a well-rounded education.				
Improve the quality and effectiveness of teachers, principals and other school leaders.	Improve safe and healthy school conditions for student learning.				
<ul> <li>Increase the number of teachers, principals, and other school leaders who are effective in improving student academic achievement in schools.</li> </ul>	Improve the use of technology to increase the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students.				
<ul> <li>Provide low-income and minority students greater access to effective teachers, principals and other school leaders.</li> </ul>					

#### **Private School Participation in Title II and Title IV**

School districts are required to provide educational services and other benefits for private school children, teachers and other educational personnel, equitable in comparison to services and other benefits for public school children, teachers and other educational personnel, pursuant to section 8501(a)(3)(A) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), amended by Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA). Private schools must hold non-profit status to be eligible to receive funds.

#### **Intent to Participate**

Private schools must decide annually which federal programs they wish to participate in the following school year. The process is known as "Intent to Participate" and the details are explained in the next section of this manual.

#### **Period of Allowability**

Federal funds must be **obligated during the grant's period of availability**, which is typically **12 months.** For example, if a grant is awarded for FY 2025 (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026), all obligations must be made within that timeframe.

#### **Affirmation of Consultation**

School districts should obtain a written affirmation, signed by officials of each participating private school, that meaningful consultation required by ESSA, has occurred. The written affirmation must provide the option for private school officials to indicate if they feel timely and meaningful consultation has not occurred or that the program design is not equitable with respect to eligible private school children.

If private school officials do not provide the written affirmation within a reasonable time period, the district must document that consultation or attempts at consultation took place, pursuant to section 8501(c)(5).

#### **Determining Allocations**

The amount a school district must reserve to provide equitable services for private schools is based on the district's total allocation, less administrative costs, which provides a per pupil rate. The district determines the amount of funds available for equitable services by calculating, on a per-pupil basis, the amount available for all public and private school students enrolled in participating private elementary and secondary schools in areas served by the district (regardless of a student's residency). This method is used for both Title II and Title IV funds.

#### Option to Pool Funds- Collaborative Activities Involving Multiple Private Schools

Schools may choose to collaboratively participate in activities by "pooling" their set-asides. This can be accomplished by designating one individual to serve as the contact person for specific activities, who will work with the Special Projects office to implement the spending process. Principals of participating schools will be required to submit written authorization for pooling school set-asides for specific activities.

#### **Process for Collaborative Activities**

- Describe each professional development activity in which the school will collaborate with one or more schools to "pool" Title II funds on the PD plan.
- Provide the names of collaborating schools at the time of plan submission.
- Clearly and succinctly describe how each activity will enhance and expand knowledge and skills of teachers, principals, and other school leaders.
- Provide scientifically based research indicating how the activity will advance understanding of effective instructional strategies to increase student achievement or meet the needs identified on the school's Needs Assessment.
- For each activity, indicate the kind of expenses that are expected to be incurred and paid by Title II funds, including whether a consultant will be used, and if so, provide the name of the consultant if that information is known at the time of plan submission.
- Provide estimated expenses.
- Each school "pooling" funds for an activity should include it on their Title II plan.

#### **Roll Forward**

In general, to ensure that equitable services are provided in a timely manner, a district must obligate the funds allocated for equitable services under all applicable programs in the year for which they are appropriated (ESEA sections 1117(a)(4)(B) and 8501(a)(4)(B)). There may be extenuating circumstances, however, in which a district is unable to obligate all funds within this timeframe in a responsible manner. Under these circumstances, the funds may remain available for the provision of equitable services under the respective program during the subsequent school year. In determining how such carryover funds will be used, the district must consult with appropriate private school officials (ESEA sections 1117(b) and 8501(c)).

#### **Control of Funds and Reimbursement**

Pursuant to <u>section 8501(d)</u>, the LEA must maintain control of funds at all times. Any materials, equipment or property purchased with grant funds shall remain property of the LEA, where the materials, equipment or property must continue to be used for the purposes of Title II and Title IV. Private schools should maintain an inventory of equipment or property, particularly technology purchases, each year and conduct a yearly reconciliation. Private schools must work with the district to set up Purchase Orders for all purchases and services.

Alternatively, the school district may use Title II and/or Title IV funds to reimburse an individual private school teacher, principal or other school leader for professional development that the district has pre-approved and meets the reasonable and necessary cost principles of 2 CFR section 200. The school district must not reimburse for unallowable activities and must **not reimburse the school directly**.

#### **Record Keeping**

While the district will work to not overburden a private school in paperwork, the district is fiscally responsible for the management of funds pursuant to section 8501(d), and as such, the district may require the private school to submit necessary documentation to determine student and teacher needs, as well as documentation to determine that the activities and expenses are allowable, reasonable and necessary, and in accordance with any and all federal and state requirements.

#### **Procurement**

School districts that serve private schools expend funds on behalf of the private schools; thus all private school expenditures must also comply with the district's procurement procedures. Districts entering contracts on behalf of private schools must adhere to district procedures and have the primary responsibility for maintaining documentation.

Procurement - Purchases between \$10,000 and \$50,000 (Small Purchases)

The Purchasing Department requires that POs for small purchases between \$10,000 - \$25,000 be documented by at least three written quotes. Small purchases between \$25,000 - \$50,000 require three written quotes and an additional level of approval by the Executive Director or by

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position equal to or more senior than the Executive Director. Additionally, if the PO is in excess of \$10,000, an agreement must be executed by the requesting school or department that includes a termination clause, addressing termination for cause and for convenience, including the manner by which termination will be affected and the basis for settlement. In the absence of an executed agreement, the approved purchase order is considered the contract and contains the applicable terms and conditions, including termination for cause or convenience.

#### **Procurement - Purchases Over \$50,000**

The district requires formal, advertised procurement procedures to be followed for any purchase greater than \$50,000. All purchases over \$50,000 must be approved by the Board, regardless of which procurement method is used.

To meet its general record-keeping responsibility, the school district should document that:

- Representatives of private schools were informed of the availability of services
- The needs of private and public-school teachers were identified as part of a Needs Assessment
- Private school officials were consulted and provided an opportunity for input into the planning of program activities; and
- The district's approved budget permitted equitable participation for private schools

#### **Procurement - IT Governance**

The Pinellas County Schools (PCSB) Information Technology (IT) governance (ITGov) process guides the acquisition and implementation of technology (including both hardware and software). Because PCS makes purchases on behalf of privates schools, all purchases using federal title funds have to follow the same approval processes. This includes a review of the potential software or hardware purchase and whether it meets current state laws.

#### Section 2

# THE PROCESS

#### **This section includes:**

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#### **Notification**

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), amended by Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA), requires that school districts contact appropriate officials of all private schools within the geographic boundaries of the district annually to determine if they want their schools to participate in available grant programs, regardless of whether those officials have recently indicated any interest in program participation. Pinellas County Schools will notify all private schools each spring to ensure they are aware of next year's funding opportunities, timelines and processes. To provide the opportunity for a school to take part in the annual Needs Assessment before allocations are made available in the next fiscal year, letters should be mailed in the current fiscal year.

#### **Intent to Participate**

Intent to Participate forms are sent to private schools annually, during the month of December. Schools will receive the form and relative timelines from Special Projects and will need to respond with what programs they wish to participate in or not participate in for the following school year. Included with this form is a request to update the schools' eligibility information for participation in grant programs. This will include:

- a **written affirmative** action policy, or description of standing practices, of admitting students irrespective of race.
- documentation of 501(c)3 tax-exemption; and
- the U.S. Education Department's Office for Civil Rights "Assurance of Compliance—Civil Rights Certificate", signed and dated by the school principal (submit signed form to the school district; do not submit to the Special government as indicated on the form)

#### **Consultation**

To ensure timely and meaningful consultation, the school district must include private school officials during the design and development of the proposed programs, pursuant to section 8501(c).

It is important that attention be given to the timing of the consultation so that decisions affecting private school participation are made after discussions have taken place. In accordance with section 8501(c)(3), the consultation must occur before the district and private schools make any decisions that affect the opportunities for eligible private school children, teachers and other educational personnel to participate in grant programs.

Pursuant to section 8501(c)(1), school districts must consult with appropriate private school officials and have the goal of reaching an agreement on how to provide equitable and effective programs for eligible private schools on issues such as the following:

- How student needs will be identified
- How student needs will inform professional learning needs of teachers, principals and other school leaders
- · What services will be offered
- How, where, and by whom the services will be provided

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#### Consultation - Continued

- How the services will be assessed and how the results of the assessment will be used to improve those services, as school districts are responsible for ensuring private schools measure the effectiveness of funded activities
- The size and scope of the equitable services to be provided to eligible teachers, the amount of funds available for those services and how that amount is determined
- How and when the district will make decisions about the delivery of services, including thorough consideration and analysis of the views of the private school officials on the provision of services through potential third-party providers
- Whether to provide equitable services to eligible private schools by creating a
  pool or pools of funds with all the funds allocated, in accordance with section
  8501(a)(4)(C).

Through consultation, the school district will provide private school officials with guidance and/or copies of applicable policies or written procedures, such as travel, stipends, and documentation to help determine reasonability, allowability and necessity.

#### **The Needs Assessment**

Private schools' use of Title II and Title IV funds should be based on a documented Needs Assessment that is aligned to a strategic participation plan. The Needs Assessment process helps determine if the current methods of participation are meeting the needs of private schools. Additionally, information from the Needs Assessment is used in the development of the district's Title II and Title IV applications. Participating schools must submit a Needs Assessment to the Special Projects office for review and approval prior to submitting a Participation Request. The Needs Assessment workbook also contains a budget that should directly relate to the needs identified. Activities that are not aligned to the school's Needs Assessment and not included in the Needs Assessment workbook will not be approved. Private schools will have multiple opportunities in the school year to make amendments to their Needs Assessment workbook and budget. After these amendments are submitted and approved by the state, schools will be able to complete a Participation Request and spend funds on their approved activities.

#### Needs Assessment Components

The six components of the Needs Assessment are:

- 1. Briefly summarize the school's Needs Assessment process.
- 2. Identify your <u>students' needs</u> (academic, social-emotional, physical health, digital literacy) that emerged from the process described above. Provide appropriate data for support.
- 3. Identify your <u>professional development needs</u>, related to addressing the student needs identified above.
- 4. Describe the programs, services or other activities the school intends to implement to address the identified needs.
- 5. Provide outcome objectives for activities to be funded through Title II, Part A and/or Title IV, Part A. Describe the plan for determining the extent to which these services and programs contributed to addressing needs identified above.
- 6. Provide a budget for allocated Title II and Title IV funds. Budgets must include all travel plans, particularly any out-of-state travel requests, consultant contracts, and specific technology purchases. Budgets should be highly specific and detailed.

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#### **Needs Assessment Submissions**

Needs Assessments and budgets are submitted to Special Projects using Smartsheet. Templates and links to submit are found on the Special Projects website at: <a href="https://www.pcsb.org/Page/42578">https://www.pcsb.org/Page/42578</a>

Needs Assessments will be collected/edited 4 times per year. Once at application time in March/April. Then there will be opportunities to amend it in Fall, Winter and Spring. Schools will receive email notification the month prior, so they will have an opportunity to request changes to their budget.

#### **Participation Request**

After submission of Needs Assessments and after the state awards grant funding, private schools may submit a Participation Request to spend funds. Activities included on the Participation Request must be aligned to the school's Needs Assessment and be on the current approved budget. Participation Requests should only be turned in if the activity is already on your current, approved Needs Assessment. Otherwise, you will need to wait until an amendment period to change your Needs Assessment & Budget. Then wait to get state approval before submitting the Participation Request. Activities should not begin prior to being approved by the Senior Grant Coordinator for Title II or Title IV funding. Participation Requests must be submitted using Smartsheet. Schools will receive emails from Smartsheet with follow-ups and status updates. You do not need a Smartsheet account as the information you need will be included in the email. Templates and links to submit are found on the Special Projects website at: <a href="https://www.pcsb.org/Page/42578">https://www.pcsb.org/Page/42578</a>

#### Section 3

# TITLE II SPECIFICS

#### **This section includes:**

R.A.N. - Title II Allowability

**Professional Development Supplies** 

Professional Development School Based Activities

Professional Development Conference

**Professional Development Stipends** 

**Professional Development Coursework** 

#### Title II Allowability – Equitable Services for Private Schools

Allowable activities for Private Schools:

Supplies: Materials and Equipment that are secular, neutral and nonideological

**Professional Development (PD): School Based Activities** to address the specific needs of students

Professional Development: Conference that supports secular PD plan

Professional Development: Other-

College Course not in degree program to address specific needs of students Subscription to a program that provides access to PD

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. <u>Section 8501(d)</u>
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

PD: SUPPLIES	PD: SCHOOL BASED
<ul> <li>Materials and equipment are secular, neutral and nonideological</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Facilitated by outside consultant.</li> <li>*Can not be an employee of the school</li> </ul>
Supplies are for PD and allowable     Supply details are provided (exact items, purpose, cost, vendors, etc)  PD: OTHER	Quote from consultant less than \$3000 per day (for full day)  Scope of work, agenda provided  PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself
College Courses or Subscriptions  Course not part of a degree program  Course is for PD purposes  Subscription provides access to PD	☐ PD aligns with needs assessment
PD: CONFERENCE	PD: STIPENDS
<ul> <li>□ Academic Purpose</li> <li>□ PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself</li> <li>□ PD aligns with needs assessment</li> <li>□ Sponsored by faith-based organization *If yes, plan provided delineating secular and non-secular activities prior to attending</li> <li>□ Local (in state)</li> <li>□ Out of State (if yes details provided)</li> <li>□ Travel costs are reasonable</li> </ul>	PD Facilitated by Outside Consultant *Can not be an employee of the school  PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself  PD aligns with needs assessment  PD attended outside of contract hours/school day  Rate of pay is reasonable and should not exceed PCS current rate for PD stipends which is \$22.50 per hour.

#### **Professional Development- Supplies**

#### **Allowable Activities**

Materials and equipment for professional development that are secular, neutral and nonideological

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule.

#### Details

- Purchases of professional development materials (e.g. professional development books for participants) and other related expenses must be purchased directly through the school district's Special Projects office.
- Activity approved in Needs Assessment

#### **Process**

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet
- Upload quote for materials
- Upload detailed materials worksheet
- Purchase Order issued and items ordered (PCS Staff)
- Upon receipt of materials return a signed copy of the Purchase Order to the Special Projects office to verify receipt of materials. Once received, payment can be processed.

#### Important to Note

- Materials and equipment are secular, neutral and nonideological
- Supplies are for PD and allowable
- Supply details are provided (exact items, purpose, cost, vendors, etc.)
- Materials are on Needs Assessment
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Vendor quote
- W-9 for new vendors
- Detailed
   <u>materials</u>
   <u>worksheet</u>
   with links to
   items

#### **Professional Development – School Based Activities**

#### **Allowable Activities**

School Based PD Activities to address the specific needs of students

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- Purchases of professional development services (e.g. consultants) and other related expenses must be purchased directly through the school district's Special Projects office.
- Activity approved in Needs Assessment
- Not to exceed \$3,000 per full day per <u>Common Federal Program</u> <u>Guidance</u>

#### **Process**

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet PRIOR to start date
- Upload quote with Scope of Work for Consultants (includes all topics & deliverables AND W-9)
- Purchase Order processed (PCS Staff)
- Submit Consultant invoice after training has been completed
- Submit signed PO

#### Important to Note

- Facilitated by an outside consultant.
  - \*Can not be an employee of the school
- Quote from consultant for less than \$3000 per day (for full day)
- Scope of work, agenda provided
- PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself
- PD aligns with Needs Assessment
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Out of County Travel Form
- Mileage MapQuest
- Hotel Receipts
- Airline receipts
- Car rental/taxi receipts
- Personal bank/credit card statements documenting payment (remove Personal Identifiable Information)
- Certificate of completion

#### **Professional Development- Conference**

#### **Allowable Activities**

Conference that supports secular PD plan and has an academic purpose

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- Activity approved in and aligned with Needs Assessment
- Registration for conferences & on-line professional development must be paid for by the attendee & reimbursed following the activity with documentation that the professional development has been successfully completed.
- Reimbursement requests for travel expenses during the grant period **must** be submitted within thirty (30) days following the travel period.
- Travel to/from by automobile—mileage is .70 cents/mile round trip according to Map Quest map mileage
- Meals at \$64/day—receipts are not required. To be eligible for meal reimbursement, the following guidelines must be used.
  - Breakfast: \$16.00—Travel must begin before 6 a.m. & extend beyond 8 a.m.
  - Lunch: \$17.00—Travel must begin *before* 12 p.m. & extend *beyond* 2 p.m. Dinner: \$31.00—Travel must begin *before* 6 p.m. & extend *beyond* 8 p.m.
- Note: meals for single-day travel are not allowable.

#### **Process**

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet PRIOR to attending
- Upon completion of conference, upload attendee certificate of completion or attendance verification, and Out of County Travel form, signed by Principal & expense documentation.

#### Important to Note

- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself
- If sponsored by faith-based organization, provide conference agenda delineating secular & non-secular activities AND schedule a meeting with Grant Manager to collaborate on percentage of conference sessions allowable prior to attending
- Local (in state)
- Out of State (if yes, details must be provided)
- Travel costs are reasonable

- Quote with Scope of Work
- W-9
- Invoice following services

#### **Professional Development-Stipends**

#### **Allowable Activities**

School Based PD Activities to address the specific needs of students

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- PD sessions should enhance student learning and address identified areas of need as outlined in approved Needs Assessment
- Activity approved in Needs Assessment

#### Process

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet **PRIOR** to start date
- Provide agenda of PD including dates and times
- · Provide names of staff who will attend training
- Upon completion of training, submit sign-in sheets documenting attendance
- Submit W-9 and check request form for each attendee

#### Important to Note

- PD Facilitated by Outside Consultant
  - \*Can not be an employee of the school
- PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself
- PD aligns with Needs Assessment
- PD attended outside of contract hours/school day-
- Rate of pay is reasonable and should <u>not</u> exceed PCS current rate for PD stipends of \$22.50 per hour.
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Agenda
- Sign-in sheets
- W-9
- Check request form

#### **Professional Development - Coursework**

#### **Allowable Activities**

- College Course not in degree program to address specific needs of students
- Subscription to a program that provides access to PD

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- Certification of course completion required for reimbursement.
- Activity approved in Needs Assessment

#### **Process**

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet <u>PRIOR</u> to start date
- Include course description and need for PD
- Upon completion, upload Out of County form with documentation for registration expense only
- Upload certification of course completion

#### Important to Note

- Course cannot be part of a degree program
- Course is for PD purposes
- Subscription provides access to PD
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Out of County form signed by Principal
- Certification of Completion
- Personal bank/credit card documentation of payment

### Section 4

# TITLE IV SPECIFICS

#### **This section includes:**

R.A.N. - Title IV Allowability

**Supplies** 

Professional Development - School Based Activities

Professional Development - Conference

Professional Development - Stipends

**Purchased Services** 

Field Trips

#### Title IV Allowability – Equitable Services for Private Schools

Allowable Activities for Private Schools:

Supplies: Materials and Equipment (including Tech) that are secular, neutral and nonideological

Professional Development (PD): School Based Activities to address the specific needs of students

Professional Development: Conference that supports secular PD plan

Field Trips: for students to support instructional activities

Purchased Services: for subscriptions, software, repairs, consultants, mental health services, etc

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. <u>Section 8501(d)</u>
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

SUPPLIES	PD: SCHOOL BASED
<ul> <li>Materials and equipment are secular, neutral and nonideological</li> </ul>	Facilitated by outside consultant.     *Can not be an employee of the school
<ul> <li>Supplies support AOF and are allowable</li> <li>AOF 1 [ ]</li> </ul>	Quote from consultant less than \$3000 per day (for full day)
AOF 2 [ ] AOF 3 [ ]	<ul> <li>Scope of work, agenda provided</li> </ul>
Supply details are provided (exact items,	<ul> <li>PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself</li> </ul>
purpose, cost, vendors, etc)	☐ PD aligns with needs assessment
☐ If technology, meets 15% cap	☐ AOF Connection
PD: CONFERENCE	PD: STIPENDS
☐ AOF Connection	PD Facilitated by Outside Consultant *Can not be an employee of the school
<ul> <li>PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself</li> </ul>	PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself
PD aligns with needs assessment	PD aligns with needs assessment
<ul> <li>Sponsored by faith-based organization</li> <li>*If yes, plan provided delineating secular</li> <li>and non-secular activities prior to</li> </ul>	PD attended outside of contract hours/school day
attending	Rate of pay is reasonable and should not
☐ Local (in state)	exceed PCS current rate for PD stipends which is \$22.50 per hour.
Out of State (if yes details provided)	
☐ Travel costs are reasonable	
PURCHASED SERVICES	FIELD TRIPS
☐ Subscription/license for academics	☐ Instructional, academic opportunity
Subscription/license for mental health	☐ Reasonable in cost
Subscription/license for digital literacy	☐ All details provided
Services for Repairs	<ul> <li>Lesson plans provided</li> </ul>
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#### **Supplies**

#### **Allowable Activities**

Materials and Equipment (including Tech) that are secular, neutral and nonideological

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- Purchases of materials and equipment and other related expenses must support an area of focus on approved Needs Assessment and are purchased directly through the school district's Special Projects office.
- Activity approved in Needs Assessment

#### Process

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet
- Upload quote for materials
- Upload detailed materials worksheet
- Purchase Order issued and items ordered by Special Projects
- Upon receipt of materials, return a signed copy of the Purchase Order through Smartsheet to the Special Projects office to verify receipt of materials. Once received, payment can be processed.

#### Important to Note

- Materials and equipment are secular, neutral and nonideological
- Supplies support AOF 1, 2 or 3 and are allowable
- Supply details are provided (exact items, purpose, cost, vendors, etc.)
- Technology, meets 15% cap
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Vendor quote
- W-9 for new vendors
- Detailed <u>materials</u> <u>worksheet</u> with links to items

#### **Professional Development – School Based Activities**

#### Allowable Activities

School Based PD Activities to address the specific needs of students and not the school itself

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### Details

- PD aligns with an area of focus on an approved Needs Assessment
- Activity approved in Needs Assessment
- Not to exceed \$3,000 per full day per <u>Common Federal Program</u> Guidance

#### **Process**

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet PRIOR to start date
- Upload quote with Scope of Work, including dates and rates for Consultant
- Purchase order processed by Special Projects
- Submit Consultant invoice after training has been completed

#### Important to Note

- Facilitated by outside consultant.
  - \*Cannot be an employee of the school
- Quote from consultant for less than \$3000 per day (for full day)
- Scope of work, agenda provided
- PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself
- PD aligns with needs assessment
- Area of Focus (AoF) Connection
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Quote with Scope of Work
- Invoice following services
- W-9

#### **Professional Development - Conference**

#### **Allowable Activities**

Conference that supports secular PD plan

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- Conference aligns with an area of focus on an approved Needs Assessment
- Activity approved in Needs Assessment

#### **Process**

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet **PRIOR** to start date
- Provide agenda of sessions if conference is conducted by religious organization, then Schedule meeting with grant manager to collaborate on percentage of conference sessions allowable for reimbursement
- Upon conference completion, upload attendee Out of County Travel form, signed by Principal and expense documentation

#### Important to Note

- Area of Focus Connection
- PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself
- PD aligns with needs assessment
- Sponsored by faith-based organization
  - \*If yes, plan provided delineating secular and non-secular activities prior to attending
- Local (in state)
- Out of State (if yes details provided)
- Travel costs are reasonable
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Out of County Travel Form
- Mileage MapQuest
- Hotel Receipts
- Airline receipts
- Car rental/taxi receipts
- Bank/credit card statements documenting payment (remove Personal Identifiable Information)

#### **Professional Development-Stipends**

#### **Allowable Activities**

School Based PD Activities to address the specific needs of students

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- PD aligns with an area of focus on an approved Needs Assessment
- Activity approved in Needs Assessment

#### Process

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet PRIOR to start date
- Provide agenda of PD including dates and time
- Provide names of staff who will attend training
- Upon completion of training, submit sign-in sheets documenting attendance
- Submit W-9 and check request form for each attendee

#### Important to Note

- PD Facilitated by Outside Consultant
  - \*Cannot be an employee of the school
- PD benefits a specific student need and not the school itself-
- PD aligns with needs assessment
- PD attended outside of contract hours/school day-
- Rate of pay is reasonable and should not exceed PCS current rate for PD stipends of \$22.50 per hour.
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Agenda
- Sign-in sheets
- W-9
- Check request form

#### **Purchased Services**

#### **Allowable Activities**

Services for subscriptions, software, repairs, consultants, mental health services, etc.

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- Services align with an area of focus on an approved Needs Assessment
- Activity documented in Needs Assessment

#### Process

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet
- Submit quote for services
- Purchase Order issued and items ordered by Special Projects/services begin
- Upon receipt of materials/services return a signed copy of the Purchase Order and Invoice to the Special Projects office to verify receipt of materials/service completed.

#### Important to Note

- Subscription/license for academics
- Subscription/license for mental health
- Subscription/license for digital literacy
- Services for Repairs
- Services for Consultant
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Quote for materials/services
- Signed PO to verify receipt of materials
- Invoice for services upon completion
- W-9 required for new vendors

#### **Field Trips**

#### **Allowable Activities**

Field Trips: for students to support instructional activities

#### Requirements

- Federal Regulations require that the LEA always maintain control of funds and the supervision and control of employees and contractors. Section 8501(d)
- All requests need to be Reasonable, Allocable and Necessary. (R.A.N.)
- All requests should meet the supplement not supplant rule

#### **Details**

- Field Trip aligns with an area of focus on an approved Needs Assessment
- Activity documented in Needs Assessment

#### Process

- Submit Participation Request using Smartsheet PRIOR to trip
- Submit quote for services, including destination, entrance fee if applicable, number of attendees per grade level and transportation costs.
- Purchase Order issued (PCS Staff)
- Submit invoice upon completion of field trip

#### Important to Note

- Instructional, academic opportunity
- Reasonable in cost
- All details provided
- Lesson plans provided
- Costs for parents/non-staff attending as Chaperones will not be covered
- Funds must be obligated during the grant period of availability

- Quote for services
- Destination, entrance fee if applicable, number of attendees per grade level and transportation costs
- Copy of academic lesson plans

#### Section 5

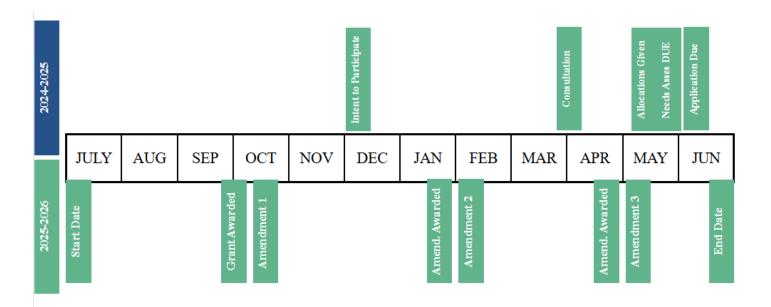
# THE RESOURCES

#### **This section includes:**

Important Dates
District Contacts
Documents and Forms
Title II Participation Request – How To
Title IV Participation Request – How To

#### **Important Dates**

September 2025	Fall Private School Consultation
December 2025	2026-20267 Intent to Participate Forms mailed
January 2026	Intent to Participate Forms due to the Special Projects office
March 2026	Spring Private School Consultation
April 2026	Last day to update 2025-2026 Title II/Title IV activity plans
May 2026	Deadline to submit 2026-27 Needs Assessment
July 2026	Deadline for receipt of Title II/Title IV travel reimbursement paperwork for 2025-2026 school year (Grants end June 30, 2026)



#### **District Contacts**

Coral Marsh Director, Special Projects

Jessica Soto Sr. Grant Coordinator

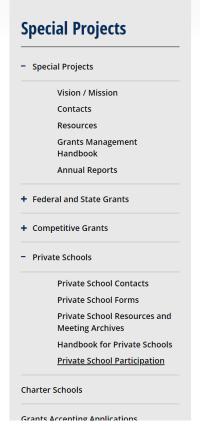
Diona Jackson Grant Account Technician

Celette Williams Secretary

#### **Documents and Forms**

Documents and Forms for Private School participation in Title II and Title IV can be accessed on the Special Projects Website using the following link:

https://www.pcsb.org/Page/42578



#### Resources for Title II & Title IV

#### Needs Assessments

- 1. Use the template provided to complete your Needs Assessment and Budget
- 2. Use this link to submit your Needs Assessment for Review

Note: Needs Assessments will be collected/edited 4 times per year. Once at application time in June, then again in Fall, Winter and Spring. Schools will receive email notification the month prior so they will have an opportunity to request changes to their budget.

Note: Schools can request a PDF of their last approved Needs Assessments & Budgets at any time using this link

#### **Participation Requests**

- 1. Use this link to request a copy of your latest, approved Needs Assessment
- 2. Use one of these Templates to complete a Participation Request:

Title II Request or Title IV Request

- 3. If ordering supplies, please use this worksheet to provide us linked items.
- 4. Use this link to submit Participation Requests

Note: We are moving to Smartsheets to automate the approval process. You will receive emails from Smartsheet with follow ups and status updates. You do not need a Smartsheet account as the info you need will be included in the email.

Note: Partricipation Requests should only be turned in if the activity is already on your current, approved Needs

Assessment. Otherwise, you will need to wait to an amendment period, request to change your Needs Assessment &

Budget, get state approval and then submit the Participation Request.

#### Amendments

Amendments will occur in Fall, Winter and Spring and schools will receive email notification the month prior so they will have an opportunity to request changes to their budget.

#### K-12 ESEA Common Federal Program Guidance Contracted Services



#### Guidance

For contracted services that do not exceed \$3,000 per full day of service, a contract shall be submitted for review at the time of the request. If a contract is not available to submit for review at the time of the request, a detailed scope of work or proposed contract of services must be provided. The submission must include a purpose, rationale, projected number of individuals to be served, and a cost breakdown of the services to be performed to determine if the request is allowable, reasonable and necessary. Materials to support the services may be requested as an additional expense. Any contracted service requested in excess of \$3,000 per full day of service, including travel, will be presumed unreasonable.

If an extenuating circumstance requires a contracted service in excess of \$3,000 per full day, an **ESEA Contracted Services Extenuating Circumstance Request form** located on <a href="www.FloridaCIMs.org">www.FloridaCIMs.org</a> must be submitted to the Bureau of Federal Educational Programs at BFEP@fldoe.org.

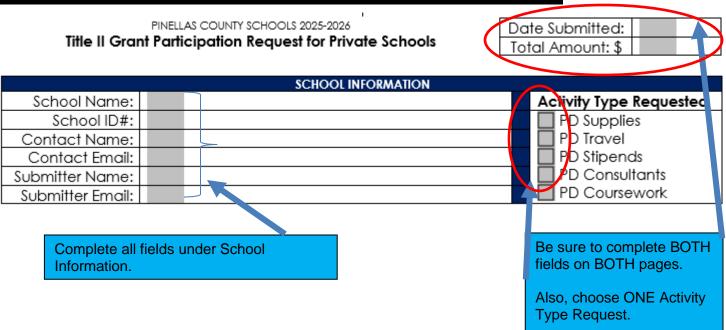
#### Reflections

The following six considerations shall strategically guide and support LEAs in their review of ALL contracted services, not dependent on requested amount:

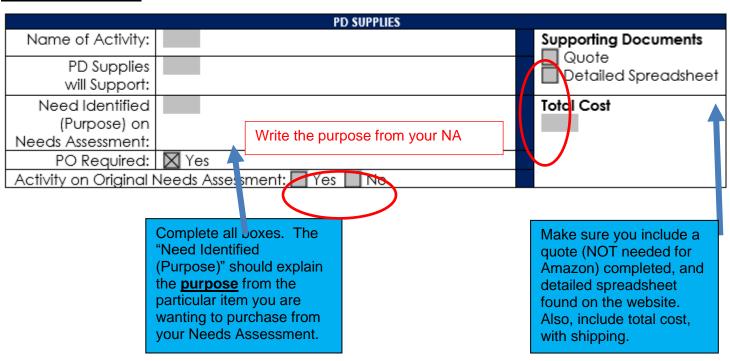
- 1. The services shall correlate to the district's strategic plan or professional learning plan;
- The provider shall provide their qualifications including experience, evidence of effectiveness and impact on student achievement so the LEA can project a Return On Investment (ROI);
- The LEA shall review how the service was funded in previous year(s), if a previous provider and the plan to sustain or narrow the services in the event of a decrease or absence of funds;
- 4. The LEA shall review the proposed contract or scope of work and confirm it includes the start and end date, the number of days/hours, and the proposed services with a detailed explanation and cost breakdown of each service and how it is reasonable;
- The LEA shall project the number of participants and their roles (school and district administration, teachers and coaches), as well as the number of students who will benefit from the adult learning; and
- 6. The LEA shall identify how the services will be embedded into ongoing professional learning as well as the plan to build internal capacity to continue to support the learning.

\*\* Source Document: FDOE 2024-2025 Federal Programs Companion Guide

# **TITLE II Participation Request**



#### **PD Supplies**



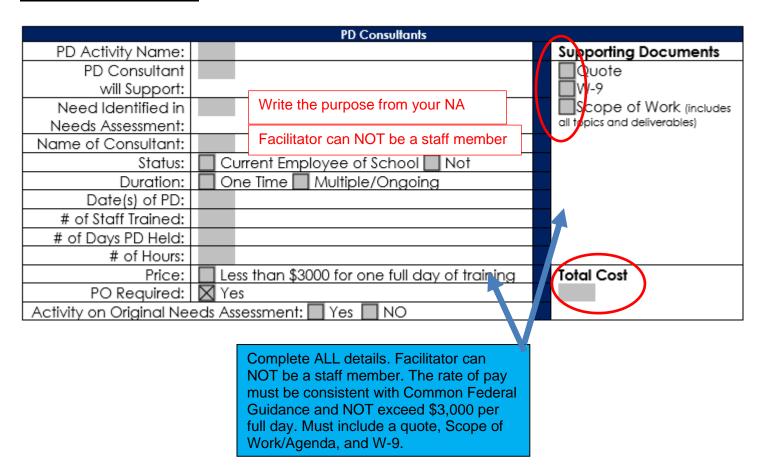
## PD Travel/Conference

		PD TRAVEL/	CONFERENCE				
Conference Title:					Supporting Doc	uments	
Host:					Quotes on T		
PD Conference					_		
will Support:							
Need Identified in	Writ	te the purpose fron	n vour NA		Cost Per Person		
Needs Assessment:					Registration		
Location:		☐ In-St	tate 🔲 Out of	State	Airfare		
Conference Date:					Hotel		
# of Participants:					Meals		Т
Conference Events:	Secular	Only Non-Se	cular Only 🔲 🛭	Both	Mileage		Т
<b> </b>	If both, provide a	gendá clearly delineating	g secular and non-secul		Parking		Т
Link to Website:		CT link to website	erence mans non-sec-	JIGI FO	Car Rental		T
PO Required:	No No				Taxi/Uber		T
Activity on Original N	eads Assess	ment: Yes	NO		Cost Per Person:		$\vdash$
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Reimbursement rates: Mileage rate=.70/mile Breakfast= \$16 Lunch=\$17 Dinner=\$31		be an estimate. Individuals will n and turn it in wit	Refer to your N need to complete h receipts and b	leeds Asse e a PCS O ank/credit	on for travel expenessment for amour out-of-County Trave card statements stence related expe	nts. el form howing	

## **PD Stipends**

	PD Stipends	
Training Title:		Supporting Documents
PD Training		Agenda/Topics
will Support:		
Need Identified in	Write the purpose from your NA	Cost Breakdown
Needs Assessment:		# of Teachers:
Who is Facilitating:	Facilitator can NOT be a staff member	# of Days:
Date(s) of Training:		# of Hours:
PO Required:	<b>⋈</b> No	Rate of Pay:
Activity on Original N	eeds Assessment: Tyes NO	Total Cost
	Facilitator can NOT be a staff member.	
	The rate of pay can NOT exceed PCS rate of \$22.50 per hour. An agenda and sign in sheet will need to be submitted as well.	

#### **PD Consultants**

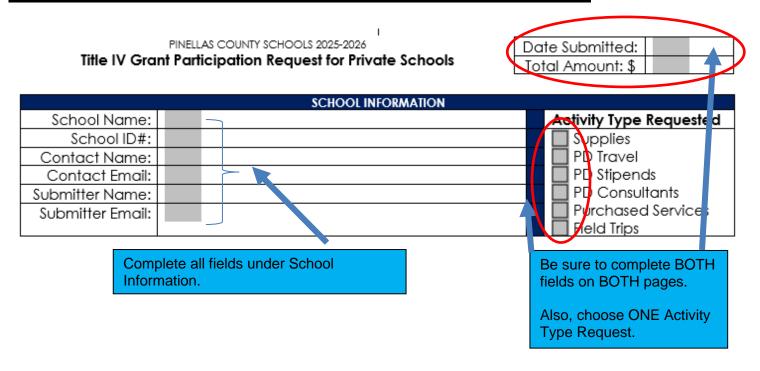


### PD Other (College Coursework, PD Subscription, Online PD)

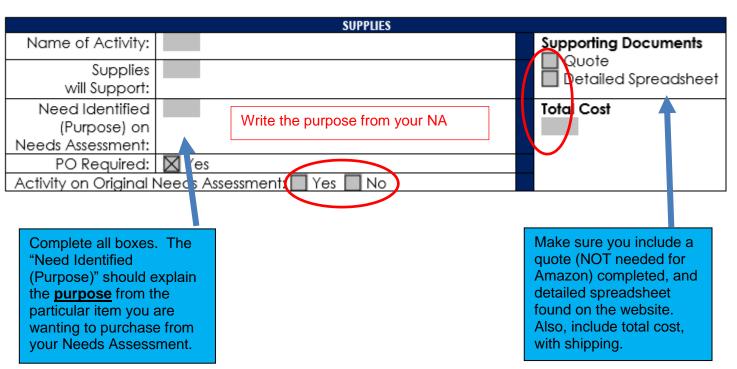
PD Other (College Coursework or PD Subscription)					
Coursework Name:			Supporting Documents		
Coursework			Quote		
will Support:					
Need Identified in		Write the purpose from your NA	7		
Needs Assessment:		y car			
Name of Vendor:					
Link to Website:					
Date Range:					
# of Staff Accessing:					
PO Required:	☐ Ye	es No	Total Cost		
Activity on Original Ne	eds As	sessment: Yes NO			

Provide all required details. If the vendor is not already an approved vendor with PCS, a W9 is needed. Individuals will need to complete a PCS Out-of-County Travel form and turn it in with receipts and bank/credit card statements showing they personally paid for items.

# **TITLE IV Participation Request**



#### **Supplies**



#### PD Travel/Conference

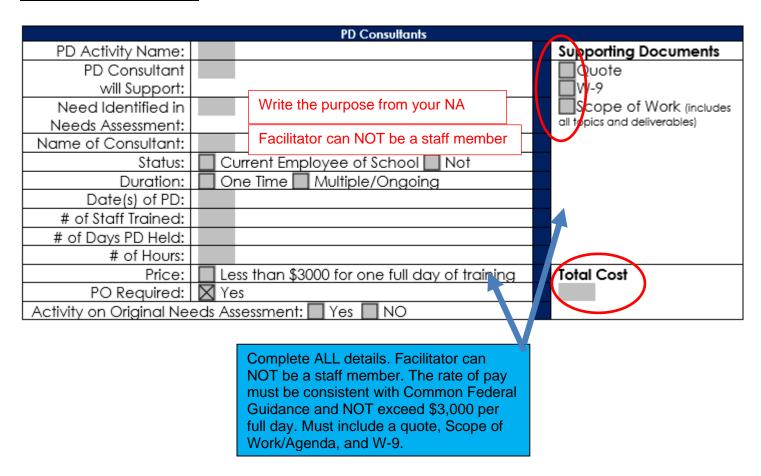
	PD TRAVEL/CONFERENCE	
Conference Title:		Supporting Documents
Host:		Quotes on Travel
PD Conference		
will Support:		
Need Identified in	Write the purpose from your NA	Cost Per Person
Needs Assessment:		Registration
Location:	☐ In-State ☐ Out of State	Airfare
Conference Date:		Hotel
# of Participants:		Meals
Conference Eventş:	Secular Only Non-Secular Only Both	Mileage
*	If both, provide agenda clearly defineating secular and non-secular activities to determine percentage of conference that is non-secular PD	Parking
Link to Website:	EXACT link to website	Car Rental
PO Required:	No	Taxi/Uber
Activity on Original N	eds Assessment: 🔲 Yes 🔲 NO	Cost Per Person:
		Total Cost
Reimbursement rates: Mileage rate=.70/mile Breakfast= \$16 Lunch=\$17 Dinner=\$31	Fill in required information. If event inclusessions, please reach out to us to sche person for travel expenses may be an expense may be a	edule a consultation. Cost per estimate. Refer to your Needs Il need to complete a PCS

#### **PD Stipends**

		PD Stipends	
Training Title:			Supporting Documents
PD Training			Agenda/Topics
will Support:			
Need Identified in		Write the purpose from your NA	Cost Breakdown
Needs Assessment:		The are purpose them you that	# of Teachers:
Who is Facilitating:		Facilitator can NOT be a staff member	# of Days:
Date(s) of Training:			# of Hours:
PO Required:	No		Rate of Pay:
Activity on Original N	eeds As	sessment: 🔲 Yes 🔲 NO	Total Cost
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Facilitator can NOT be a staff member. The rate of pay can NOT exceed PCS rate of \$22.50 per hour. An agenda and sign in sheet will need to be submitted as well.

#### **PD Consultants**



#### Purchased Services (Subscriptions, Repairs, Non-PD Consultants)

	Purcho	ised Services (Subscriptions, Repairs, Nor	1-PD Consul	ltan	ts)
Service Name:					Supporting Documents
Service will Support:	Stu	udents 🔲 Teachers 🔲 Parents			Quote
Need Identified in		Write the purpose from your NA			Cost Breakdown
Needs Assessment:		write the purpose nom your NA			Quantity:
Name of Vendor:					Unit Price:
Link to Website:			4	4	
# People Impacted:					Total Cost
PO Required:	⊠ Ye	es			
Activity on Original Ne	eds As	sessment: Yes NO			
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Complete <u>ALL</u> details. Must include a quote within last 30 days, Scope of Work/Agenda, and W-9, if not a current PCS vendor.

### Field Trips

			Field Trips		
Name/Location:					Supporting Documents
Field Trip					Quote
will Support:					Lesson Plan
Need Identified in		Write the pu	urpose from your N	Α	Cost Breakdown
Needs Assessment:		Willo the pe			Admission:
Link to Website:				7	Busses:
# of Students			Cost/Student \$		
# of Staff			Cost/Staff \$		Total Cost
PO Required:	X Ye	s (but only if for	Transportation)		
Activity on Original Ne	eds A	ssessment: 🔲 Ye	es NO		
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Complete ALL details. Provide a current quote for admission and busses (if applicable) as well as a lesson plan as it ties to your identified student need. The grant can pay for staff, not parent chaperones.