

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
Consent Agenda
November 7, 2024

OFFICE OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS

D. Approval of the methodology to award Title IV, Part B Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program under the Every Student Success Act (ESSA) supplement grant funds

Background and Purpose: The purpose of the Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Program is to provide opportunities for academic enrichment activities during non-school hours or periods when school is not in session, such as before and after school or during summer recess, particularly for students who attend low-performing schools. The 21st CCLC Programs offer students a broad array of additional services, programs and activities that are designed to complement the regular academic program such as youth development activities, counseling programs, arts, music, physical fitness and wellness programs, financial literacy programs, environmental literacy programs, and career and technical programs. The 21st CCLC Programs also offer families opportunities for active and meaningful engagement in their child's education, including opportunities for literacy and related educational development.

Eligibility: Only current 21st CCLC grantees with at least one full year of funding remaining.

Funding Source: Federal funds

Basis for Awarding the Grants: Discretionary

Funding will be awarded up to \$250,000 for the following supplemental activities:

- Extended academic enrichment learning programs that may include additional staffing
- Well-rounded education activities
- Literacy education programs, including financial literacy and environmental literacy
- Programs that support a healthy and active lifestyle
- Programs that support social and emotional learning
- Drug and violence prevention programs and counseling programs
- Cultural programs
- Technology education programs
- Programs that build skills in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, including computer science

- Programs that partner with in-demand fields of the local workforce or build career competencies and career readiness
- Parenting skills programs that promote parental involvement and family literacy
- Additional educational field trips
- Additional professional development opportunities for program staff

Recommendation: Approval up to five (5) years

Back-up material: None