



Computer Science Professional Development Incentive Fund Frequently Asked Questions

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Are college credit courses an allowed activity/expense?

Yes, college-level courses are allowed as long as they lead to the Computer Science or 5-12 CTE Information Technology endorsements. **Please complete the new ENDORSEMENT ONLY application found on IowaGrants.gov.**

Is the CTE IT endorsement covered by the grant?

Yes. As of January 2022 the 5-12 CTE Information Technology endorsement is an allowable expense. Educators receiving the 5-12 CTE Information Technology endorsement may apply for the Computer Science endorsement as well through the BOEE.

Are PLTW participation costs covered by the grant?

No, PLTW participation costs are not allowed.

Can I purchase equipment that my teachers need for professional development with grant funding?

Yes, equipment for professional development can be purchased with grant funding as long as the equipment is required for the training.

Are stipends an allowed expense?

Yes, stipends are an allowed expense for off-contract time.

Our district received the grant in a previous year. Can we apply again this year?

Yes, all public school districts and accredited nonpublic schools are eligible to apply. Previous recipients may apply.

Can individual schools apply?

Applicants can be public school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, and collaboratives. Individual public schools cannot apply.

Is the endorsement required to teach computer science?

No, the endorsement is not required to teach computer science courses, at any level.



When will applicants be notified whether they have been awarded the grant?

We hope to notify applicants on or around December 5, 2023.

When is the last day to spend funds for reimbursement through this grant?

The spending window closes September 30, 2024 and claims must be submitted by October 21, 2024.