

Supports for Schools Identified for Improvement

CDE CONSULTATION OVERVIEW

EASI Route: Districtwide Supports


COLORADO
Department of Education

INTRODUCTION

CDE recognizes that every LEA and school has unique needs, contexts, and timing. Various CDE offices offer support services and technical assistance in different forms. The EASI application includes consultative services for a variety of specialized supports and specific student groups. Whereas these supports may not be as “packaged” as others, CDE staff are available to customize and apply technical expertise and resources to meet the unique needs of each LEA and school. Consider how these consultation supports may be adapted to meet your needs. These consultation services may be used in tandem with another route in the EASI (e.g., exploration, district designed and led).

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CONSULTATION OFFERED

CDE offers consultation services in the following areas. Please refer to the detailed fact sheets for each one.

- Accountability and Improvement Planning
- Services for English Learners
- Services for Students with Disabilities
- Early Literacy
- Dropout Prevention and Student Re-engagement
- High Leverage Family and Community Engagement Strategies
- School Board Training

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS AND PRIORITIZATION

Eligibility: All Colorado LEAs are eligible for these consultative supports. LEAs with schools identified for Comprehensive Support (CS), Targeted Support (TS), or Additional TS under ESSA are eligible for ESSA funding. For Early Literacy services schools must also serve K-3 students in literacy.

Prioritization: Priority will be given to applicants who clearly demonstrate a need and readiness for engaging in selected consultative service(s) through this application.

AVAILABLE FUNDS

LEAs meeting eligibility criteria above may apply for ESSA funds of \$5,000 - \$15,000 per LEA to support one or more of these consultative services. Funding will depend upon expressed need and the number of eligible schools. Some of the consultation services may also involve other non-ESSA funding sources which are managed through each of the respective offices.

ALLOWABLE USE OF FUNDS

ESSA funds may be used to enable the LEAs to invest in the area of focus of one or more of these consultation services. Funds may be used for: substitute teacher costs, stipends or extra duty pay, materials, travel and per diem, facility costs for events, facilitation services, consultation services, translation services, or other related expenses.

EVALUATION AND REPORTING

All grant recipients will be responsible for submitting an Annual Financial Report (AFR) each year by the end of the grant cycle.