

Notice of Grant Opportunity

2019 Ohio School Climate State Grant

Grant Competition

The Ohio Department of Education announces the competition for the School Climate State Grant for Fiscal Year 2019. The 132nd Ohio General Assembly appropriated \$2 million for grant awards to eligible applicants to be expended through the 2019-2020 school year. This program is a competitive grant that enables the Department to provide financial assistance to eligible and qualifying applicants to implement Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) frameworks, evidence- or research-based social and emotional learning initiatives, or both, in eligible buildings of applicants. For purposes of the grant, an eligible building is defined as an entity with an IRN, as that is the lowest unit for which data is available.

The objectives of the grant are to increase the number of districts trained to implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports and other social-emotional learning initiatives with fidelity to decrease discipline incidents that result in suspension or expulsion of students in kindergarten through grade 3.

The grant prioritizes school buildings with economically disadvantaged rates above the state average and school buildings with high out-of-school suspension rates. If any award money remains, applications will be awarded based on the order of submittal.

The application window opens in the Department's e-grant system, the Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan (CCIP), on Feb. 21, 2019, and closes on March 21, 2019, at 4:59 p.m. Grantees will be notified of awards in April 2019.

Authorizing legislation can be found [here](#).

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

To be eligible for a School Climate State Grant award, applicants must be a city, local, or exempted village school district, a community school established under Chapter 3314 of the Revised Code, or a STEM or STEAM school established under Chapter 3326 of the Revised Code.

Eligible applicants may apply for up to \$5,000 per eligible building, not to exceed \$50,000. Eligible school buildings are those that serve any of grades kindergarten through grade 3.