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Frequently Asked Questions

1. I don't see the CORE Implementation Grant on the Funding Sections Page.

If you don't see the CORE Implementation grant on the Funding Sections page and your school serves high school students, make sure you have access to the grant. Check the address book to see if an LEA Contact for the grant has been assigned. The superintendent and treasurer automatically have access. They will have to provide a password for someone else in the district to have access. They will have to use their Admin Tools in the Address Book. If the treasurer or the superintendent still have problems with this, please call Karl Koenig at (614) 752-1597 for assistance.

2. How much money will my district receive?

Every school district, joint vocational school district and community school that serves high school students will receive at least $2,000. The actual level of funding is based on the number of high schools, ADM and socio-economic status in the district. Your allocated amount can be found on the budget page of the CORE Implementation application

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3. How long do we have to spend the CORE Implementation grant funds?

Submit application in CCIP by May 1, 2007.
Funds must be obligated by September 30, 2007.
Liquidation of the funds must be completed by November 30, 2007.
Final Expenditure Report (FER) must be submitted by November 30, 2007.

Please note that these are FY 2007 funds. There is no guarantee that these funds will be available in future fiscal years.

4. How can we spend the funds?

The documents in the CCIP Doc Library provide guidelines for the expenditure of funds. There are 15 approved strategies listed and there is an option for a locally defined strategy. A district that receives $2,000 may use the funds for planning purposes. Please remember, there is no guarantee that the funds will be available after this year so you will want to be strategic in your planning and implementation. Due to the short expenditure timeline, you probably don't want to use the funds to hire teachers and staff. While you may use the funds to purchase materials and supplies, remember that these are consumables and you may not have the resources to continue the program that is based on those materials.

Please note that Transportation and Non-public expenditures are not allowed and are not available options when filling in the budget grid.

5. What if I choose the "Other" strategy?

These funds are intended to build capacity to meet the CORE curricula requirements for the graduating class of 2014. In general, any materials, supplies or interventions for current high school students, other than those listed in Strategies 14 and 15 on the Ohio CORE Grant Guidance document, will require a high level of justification in order to be approved. If you choose the "Other" option on the application page, you must follow these guidelines:

a. Provide a detailed breakdown of the expenditures for this category.
b. Explain how this expenditure will meet the needs of your students who will be required to meet the requirements of the CORE curricula in science and mathematics. If you are purchasing materials that are consumable, please define your sustainability strategy since these funds may not be available in the future.
c. Make sure the total amount of money requested in each of the strategies you've selected match the amount of money allocated on the budget page.

6. What if I choose not to apply for CORE grant funds?

Please enter a note in the history log and send an email to the ODE consultants. We would like to reallocate these funds as soon as possible.

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