TITLE I NON-COMPETITIVE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

Supplemental Guidance on District-Level Initiatives
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This document serves as supplemental guidance for districts implementing district-level initiatives with **Title I Non-Competitive Supplemental School Improvement** (TI NC SSI) funds for Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23).

INTRODUCTION

In FY23, local education agencies (LEAs) have the opportunity to utilize TI NC SSI funds to support the implementation of the improvement plans of identified buildings (Priority, Warning and Focus). These initiatives will be managed at the central level (rather than the building level) and are designed to improve the achievement of students.

District-level initiatives require Department pre-approval. Please reach out to the Department at School_Improvement@education.ohio.gov to request pre-approval.

ALLOWABLE ACTIVITIES

The activities listed below are not exhaustive, but serve as a list of ideas that may assist in school improvement planning.

Examples of activities:

- Analysis of assessment data like a district-wide dashboard using assessment specialists
- Leadership, resources and guidance
- Building and maintaining a cadre of high-quality substitute teachers, including through partnerships with teacher preparation programs

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR DISTRICT-MANAGED INITIATIVES

TI NC SSI district-managed initiative:

- May **only** be used to support **identified schools** to improve the educational opportunities and achievement of students.
- Must (a) meet the intent and purpose of TI NC SSI, (b) be evidence-based, (c) be necessary, reasonable, allowable and allocable, and (d) support the implementation of building improvement plans
- Must be tied to both the building improvement plan and the district improvement plan
- Must follow all other guidance requirements for the grant
- Must follow all Title I, Part A Supplement not Supplant requirements

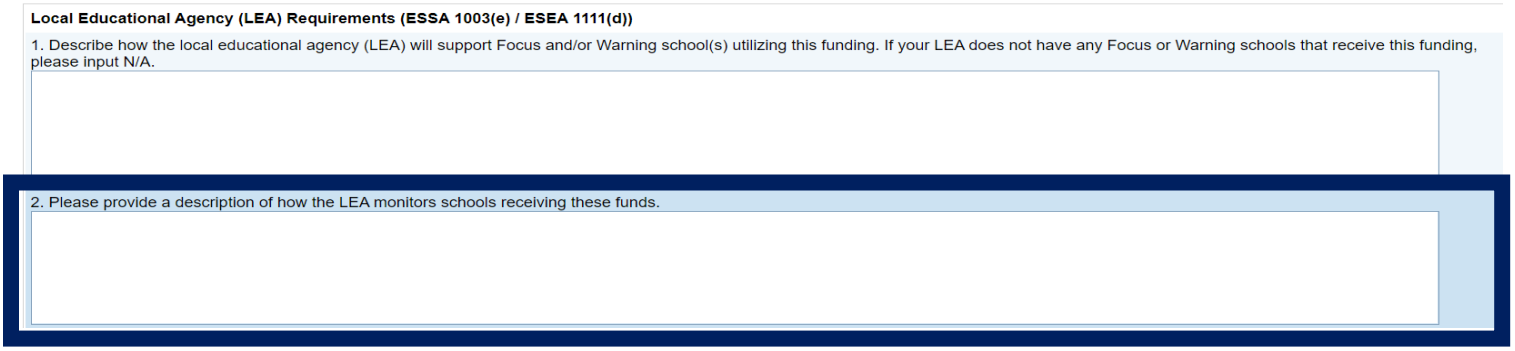
REQUIRED APPLICATION INFORMATION

1. Provide a brief overview of the district-managed initiative

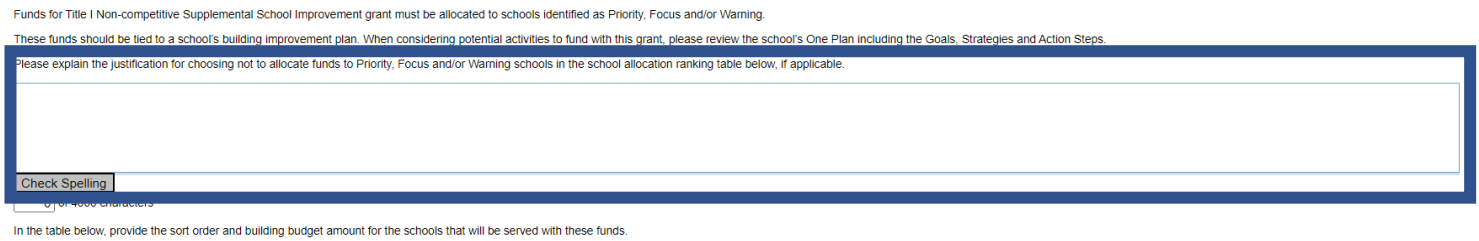
2. Provide amount reserved for the district-managed initiative
3. Describe the need for a district-managed initiative
4. Describe how the district-managed initiative will support the implementation of the identified building(s) improvement plan(s) and provide a list of the buildings this initiative will support
5. Describe stakeholder input and building-level input
6. Explain how the district will ensure the reserved funds are only used to support identified buildings
7. Explain how the remaining amount of TI NC SSI funds allocated for the buildings is sufficient to meet needs and provide meaningful programming
8. Explain how the programming provided through district initiatives is more appropriate than the building-level allocation to achieve the outcomes, intent and purpose of TI NC SSI

APPROVAL PROCESS

1. Submit request to School_Improvement@education.ohio.gov with the information listed in the REQUIRED APPLICATION INFORMATION (above, questions 1-8)
2. The Department will review the information submitted and either request additional information or provide approval for the grantee to enter the information into the TI NC SSI application in the CCIP
3. In the CCIP TI NC SSI application the information from the REQUIRED APPLICATION INFORMATION (above) will need to be added to two separate sections in the application:
    a. **Budget Details** page: Provide the plan for monitoring the district-managed initiative in the question #2 in the Local Educational Agency (LEA) Requirements section in the Consolidated - Title I Non-Competitive Supplemental School Improvement application.



    b. **School Allocations** page: Provide the approved answers to the above Questions 1-8 (these are the questions that were sent to the School Improvement inbox for pre-approval) in the School Allocations text box.



4. The Department will provide approval in the History Log once the required information is added to the CCIP TI NC SSI application.

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