

North Dakota 21st CCLC Renewability Policy

ESSA Renewability:

Section 4204(j) of the ESEA authorizes state education agencies (SEAs) to renew subgrants awarded to eligible entities under ESSA, “based on the eligible entity’s performance during the preceding subgrant period.”

At the end of the original period of performance, an SEA may use a renewability process to renew a subgrant for an additional grant period of three to five years. The additional years of the subgrant would be for the same annual funding amount, and consistent with the terms of the previous year of the subgrant. SEAs reserve the right to attach additional, reasonable conditions to the funding, at its discretion.

ND’s Renewability Policy:

The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) will exercise its authority, under the renewability provision of ESSA, to extend the eligible 2021-2024 subgrantees one time for up to three years.

***NDDPI reserves the right to determine the option and implementation of renewability on an annual basis.*

Justification for Renewability:

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought upon significant learning loss for students in our state. With the conclusion of the Emergency Relief funds in September 2024, the NDDPI wants to ensure the continuity of 21st CCLC afterschool support, valuable resources, and essential services provided to students without disruption.

Implementation of Renewability:

If the NDDPI considers the option of renewability for existing grants, the agency will use a standard set of criteria to determine whether a grant is eligible to be renewed. Criteria *may* include risk scores and findings for the NDDPI monitoring and local evaluations, improvements in quality over time, compliance with grant requirements, engagement in state supported opportunities, needs assessment results, and performance on outcomes. The renewal period will not exceed the total grant period of the original award.