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21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant Competition

Bismarck, ND – State Superintendent of Public Instruction Kirsten Baesler announces the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) grant competition for school year 2015-2016.

The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) is accepting applications for a three-year 21st CCLC grant from school districts, REAs, consortiums, non-profit agencies, city or county government agencies, faith-based organizations, institutions of higher education, and for-profit corporations who currently do not have a 21st CCLC grant. The program's purpose is to establish or expand community learning centers that provide students with academic enrichment opportunities along with activities designed to complement the students' regular academic program. All 21st CCLC grants are awarded on a competitive basis, based on the availability of federal funds.

Eligible agencies and organizations are required to collaborate with schools that primarily serve a high concentration of economically disadvantaged students and must average seven hours a week of programming.

The NDDPI will be offering a bidders' workshop WebEx recording to provide training for prospective applicants.

For further assistance regarding the ND 21st CCLC competitive grant competition, including the grant application, application checklist, and information on the upcoming Bidder's Workshop WebEx, log on to www.dpi.state.nd.us/21stCent/index.shtm.

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