



# Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED)

FY 2022 SEED Competition Overview

**Closing Date: June 3, 2022**

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# Note About These Slides

- Applicants are strongly encouraged to review **the FY 2022 SEED NIA** that was published in the Federal Register on April 4, 2022, in its entirety.
- The slides presented on this webinar are available for download on the SEED webpage.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to download the **SEED Application Instructions Package** from the SEED webpage and review it in its entirety.
- The SEED Application Instructions Package provides instructions needed to apply for this SEED grant.

**Note:** These slides are intended as guidance only and do not impose any requirements beyond those included in the NIA, and any other applicable provisions established in rules for this competition. Please refer to the official documents published in the *Federal Register*.

# SEED Competition Resources

SEED Program Webpage:

<https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-discretionary-grants-support-services/effective-educator-development-programs/supporting-effective-educator-development-grant-program/>

1. FY 22 SEED Notice Inviting Applications (NIA)
2. FY 22 SEED Application Instructions Package
3. FY 22 SEED FAQs Document
4. FY 22 SEED Informational Webinars
5. SEED Applicant/Grantee Budget Worksheet
6. Evidence and Evaluation Resources

# General SEED Competition Q&A

- Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the SEED Notice Inviting Applications (NIA) in its entirety.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the SEED Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document in its entirety.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the SEED Application Instructions Package document in its entirety.
- If your question(s) are not answered in any of the above listed SEED documents, you may email the question(s) to the SEED program inbox at [SEED@ed.gov](mailto:SEED@ed.gov).

\*Responses can take up to 24 hours, so please plan accordingly to meet competition deadlines.

# AGENDA FOR THIS WEBINAR

- SEED Program Overview and Purpose
- Eligible Entity Requirements
- SEED Program Requirements
- SEED Competition Reminders





# SEED Program Overview and Purpose

# SEED PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## SEED Authorizing Legislation

The U.S. Secretary of Education is authorized to award grants for this program under section 2242 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) (20 U.S.C. 6672).

Use the link below to access the SEED program statute:

<https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/legislation/title-ii.html> (Title II, Part B, Subpart





# SEED PROGRAM PURPOSE

## Purpose

To provide grants that increase the number of highly effective educators by supporting the implementation of Evidence-Based preparation, professional development, or professional enhancement opportunities for educators.





# SEED Eligible Entity Requirements

# ELIGIBLE ENTITIES

- **Institution of Higher Education (IHE); or**
- **National Nonprofit Organization (NNO); or**
- **Bureau of Indian Education; or**
  - A partnership consisting of one or more entities described above; and
- **A for-profit organization.**

Top three entities may form a partnership and apply together for a SEED grant.



# ELIGIBLE ENTITY REQUIREMENTS

## INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION (IHE)

- An IHE that provides course materials or resources that are evidence-based in increasing academic achievement, graduation rates, or rates of postsecondary education matriculation (*definition taken from the NIA*).
- Applicants should provide an explanation of how they meet this definition and what materials or resources they are providing that are evidence-based.
- This explanation should be included in **Appendix A** of the project narrative.



# ELIGIBLE ENTITIES REQUIREMENTS

## NATIONAL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS (NNO)

- An NNO with a demonstrated record of raising student academic achievement, graduation rates, and rates of higher education attendance, matriculation, or completion, or of effectiveness in providing preparation and professional development activities and programs for teachers, principals, or other school leaders.
- Applicants should provide an explanation of how they meet this standard for being a national organization, including their demonstrated record of success.
- This explanation should be included in **Appendix A** section of the project application.



# NATIONAL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS (NNO)

DEFINITION—PUBLISHED IN FEDERAL REGISTER ON APRIL 4, 2022

The Department establishes the following definition for use in any SEED competition in which the term “national nonprofit entity” is used in connection with the eligibility requirement in section 2242 of the ESEA:

**National nonprofit entity** means an entity that--

- a) Meets the definition of “nonprofit” under [34 CFR 77.1\(c\)](#); and
  - (b) Is of national scope, which requires that the entity—
    - (1) Provides services in three or more States; and
    - (2) Demonstrates a proven record of serving or benefitting teachers, principals, or other school leaders (as defined in section 8101 of the ESEA) across these States.
- Applicants should provide an explanation of how they meet this definition
  - This explanation should be included in **Appendix A** section of the project application.





# SEED Program Requirements

# EVIDENCE STANDARDS

## OVERVIEW

- Applicants applying under Absolute Priority 1 (AP1): *Supporting Effective Teachers* will need to submit studies that meet the **Moderate Evidence** definition.
- Applicants applying under AP2: *Supporting Effective Principals or Other School Leaders* will need to submit studies that meet the **Promising Evidence** definition.
- Applicants must use the **SEED Evidence of Effectiveness Form** to identify the studies being considered to establish moderate or promising evidence for the proposed project.
- Applicants may submit up to 2 citations to support their project. Visit the SEED webpage for resources.





# PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

## MATCH/COST SHARE REQUIREMENT

- Grantees are required to match 25% of the total project cost for each year of the grant.
- Match/Cost Share funds may be provided as cash or as in-kind contributions to the project.
- Match/Cost share funds must be used in the same legally allowable, allocable, and reasonable as federal funds in order to be used to meet the cost share requirement.
- Applicants may request a waiver if they are able to demonstrate a current financial hardship. Use **Appendix F** to submit waivers.



# PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

## RESTRICTED INDIRECT COST RATE

- SEED applicants must secure a negotiated restricted indirect cost rate; **OR** applicants may default to the 8% restricted indirect cost rate.
- If a higher restricted indirect cost rate is negotiated during project period, the grantee may switch to that higher rate.
- The difference between restricted rate and negotiated restricted rate (unrecovered indirect cost) may not be counted toward meeting the cost share requirement.
- See [34 CFR 75.563](#) and 34 CFR 76.564 - 76.569 for calculating rate

(<https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?node=34:1.1.1.1.22&rgn=div5>)





# SEED Competition Reminders

# SEED COMPETITION REMINDERS

Date	Event
<b>June 3, 2022</b>	Closing Date
<b>May 4, 2022</b>	Intent to Apply Deadline

- SEED applications time stamped after **11:59:59 PM Washington, DC Time** will be considered **LATE** and **will not** be reviewed.
- All SEED applications must be submitted Grants.gov
- Grants.gov Helpdesk: 1-800-518-4728
- Register and Submit **EARLY** with Grants.gov to avoid missing the deadline and any unforeseen technical difficulties.





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Best wishes on a successful SEED  
application submission!

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