

**ESSA Title IV Part B: Section 4204a under ESSA  
21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers**

<b>Grant Basic Overview</b>	<p><b>Grant Name:</b> 21st Century Community Learning Centers</p> <p><b>PRC Code:</b> 110</p> <p><b>Period of Availability:</b> Up to 27 months</p>
<p><b>The purpose of this program is to:</b></p>	<p><b>The purpose of the 21st CCLC program is to provide federal funds to establish or expand community learning centers that operate during out-of-school hours with three specific purposes:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide opportunities for academic enrichment, including providing tutorial services to help students (particularly students in high poverty areas and those who attend low-performing schools) meet state and local student performance standards in core academic subjects such as reading and mathematics.</li> <li>2. Offer students a broad array of additional services, programs, and activities, such as: youth development activities; service learning; nutrition and health education; drug and violence prevention programs; counseling programs; arts, music, physical fitness and wellness programs; technology education programs; financial literacy programs; environmental literacy programs; mathematics, science, career and technical programs; internship or apprenticeship programs; and other ties to an in-demand industry sector or occupation for high school students that are designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program of participating students.</li> <li>3. Offer families of students served by 21st CCLCs opportunities for active and meaningful engagement in their children's education, including opportunities for literacy and related educational development.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Allowable Cost Examples:</b></p>	<p>Funds MAY be used (i.e., reimbursed) for program implementation as well as for operational expenses, including, but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Personnel and personnel benefits</li> <li>Staff development and training</li> <li>Consultants, subcontracts and evaluators</li> <li>Transportation costs for students</li> <li>Educationally related field trips</li> <li>Approved food purchases</li> </ul>

	<p>Renting space to the extent that the rates are reasonable and in alignment with 200.465, if necessary</p> <p>Property Insurance related to equipment and furniture</p> <p>Teacher substitutes</p> <p>Travel reimbursements</p> <p>21st CCLC program equipment and supplies, including computers and software</p> <p>Memberships in warehouse clubs or business, technical and/or professional organizations if the membership is in the name of the 21st CCLC Program</p> <p>Memberships in any civic or community organization</p>
<b>Grant Rules or Special Spending Provisions:</b>	<p>1) For each cohort, grants will be awarded for three years. Funding for each of the three years will be subject to the availability of funds and will be based on evidence of compliance with state and federal laws, progress towards fully implementing the approved program, and progress towards local program goals (including enrollment and attendance goals).</p> <p>a. For each cohort of approved applicants, funding allotted in the first two years of the grant will be available for 27 months. Funding allotted for the final year will only be available for 15 months. Funding will be subject to reversion on the following basis:</p> <p>i. Any unobligated Year 1 funds as of September 30th following completion of the second year of the grant;</p> <p>ii. Any unobligated Year 2 or Year 3 funds as of September 30th following completion of the third year of the grant.</p> <p>2) The minimum amount of an allotment to eligible entities is \$50,000, and the maximum amount is not to exceed \$300,000 unless the program administrators, with State Board approval, deem another amount as necessary to operate a program.</p> <p>3) Any unallotted funds created from previous years will be used to cover allowable expenditures for current year projects until the previous year's funds have been used.</p> <p>4) Funding for each year of the grant is to be provided in three installments, with eligibility to receive second and third installments dependent meeting or exceeding attendance thresholds for program participation. During each annual grant cycle, if a subgrantee does not qualify to receive all funding installments, the entity must request a funding reduction; any reduced funds will not be available for carryover in a subsequent fiscal year.</p> <p>a. If a subgrantee does not meet the established threshold for “regular attendees” by the annual deadline, the subgrantee will be required to take a mandatory reduction in funds.</p> <p>b. If a subgrantee is required to waive a second or third installment over the course of the fiscal year, a subgrantee may be required to reduce funds for future years.</p> <p>c. If a subgrantee requests to reduce the number of enrolled students as stated in its State Board of Education-approved application, the subgrantee will be required to reduce its annual grant</p>

	award by a proportional amount. The reduction in the number of enrolled students and reduced grant award will apply to the remainder of the grant cycle.
<b>Carryover:</b>	See explanation above.
<b>USED Non-Regulatory Guidance Link(s):</b>	<a href="#">21st Century Community Learning Centers – Guidance</a>
<b>Other Resource Link(s):</b>	NCDPI Website for 21 <sup>st</sup> CCLC <a href="#">Title IV, Part B: 21st Century Community Learning Centers   NC DPI</a> <a href="#">21st Century Community Learning Centers - Legislation</a>
<b>2023 NC Annual ESSA Summer Conference Sessions:</b>	Braiding of Funding to Support Student Needs
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