

CLSD Grant

Funding fact sheet

The [Comprehensive Literacy State Development](#) (CLSD) program is a federal grant aimed at improving literacy skills for children from birth to Grade 12. It focuses on disadvantaged children, including those living in poverty, English learners, and children with disabilities. The program provides competitive grants to states, which then distribute funds to districts to implement evidence-based literacy practices.

Funding details

- **\$149M** total Year 1 funds*
- **23** State awards (see chart below)
- **95% for District awards**; 5% for State activities
- **Priority** will be given to districts that serve low-income and high-need students
- Districts will split funds according to the following bands:
 - 15% Birth to Kindergarten
 - 40% Kindergarten to Grade 5
 - 40% Grades 6–12

Timeline

Each state’s timeline to award funds to districts will vary. Check your state’s education department website for specific details.

The program period is 5 years.*

FY2024 State awards & allocations					
State	Year 1 Total	State	Year 1 Total	State	Year 1 Total
AK	\$10,000,000	MA	\$1,776,531	OH	\$1,619,702
CA	\$3,802,533	MD	\$4,188,260	OK	\$11,228,650
CO	\$1,498,940	MO	\$5,894,440	OR	\$11,578,036
DC	\$527,078	MT	\$916,657	RI	\$6,440,811
HI	\$5,140,009	ND	\$11,123,983	SD	\$618,962
IA	\$4,021,975	NE	\$11,020,244	TN	\$5,500,000
KY	\$11,001,577	NJ	\$14,766,038	VA	\$3,896,000
LA	\$11,000,000	NM	\$11,999,725		

*Continuation of awards contingent upon appropriations from Congress and progress of grantees

Allowable uses

Solutions most appropriate for this grant include but are not limited to:

- Assessment/progress monitoring solutions
- Evidence-based literacy intervention programs
- High-quality instructional materials (HQIM)
- Supplemental literacy programs
- Professional development
- Family engagement activities



Evidence matters

Schools using CLSD funds must ensure their activities, strategies, or interventions meet the **top 3 levels of ESSA evidence**:

1. **Strong**—At least one well-designed and well-implemented experimental study
2. **Moderate**—At least one well-designed and well-implemented quasi-experimental study
3. **Promising**—At least one well-designed and well-implemented correlation study with statistical controls for selection bias

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