# Massachusetts 21st Century Community Learning Centers - Supporting Additional Learning Time Grant (SALT) for new sites Grant (Fund Code 647)

# Addendum A – Additional Requirements and Competitive Priorities

Competitive Priority will be given to applicants that:

* Are districts/schools in chronically underperforming status.
* Propose to provide programming to students in schools designated as Title I School-Wide (SW) programs as indicated on the [Department's School and District profiles page](http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/search/search.aspx?leftNavId=11238).
* Submit the application in full partnership, including a school district as well as one or more community-based organizations and/or other public or private organizations. A school district may receive priority points without a partner if they are able to show that they are unable to partner with a community-based organization in a reasonable geographic proximity and of sufficient quality.
* Districts/Agencies that have not previously received 21st CCLC funding.

*The Department reserves the right to consider additional factors such as geographic distribution and diversity of applicant type in making final award decisions.*

**Additional eligibility parameters for agencies and organizations other than a school district, city, or TOWN**

* Must demonstrate that the grant will be implemented in full partnership with an eligible school and/or district and demonstrate that the grant was developed and will be carried out in active collaboration and partnership with the school(s) that the participants attend.
* Must identify a school-based educational liaison from the partnering school(s).
* Must demonstrate experience managing similar amounts of funding as well as the fiscal capacity to manage and oversee the implementation of this federally funded grant.
* Must demonstrate capacity to obtain and submit all required data.
* Must have a **Unique Entity ID** (UEI #) - the official identifier for doing business with the U.S. Government. Entities can register for a UEI at [Sam.Gov](https://sam.gov/content/home).

**Throughout the duration of the grant, recipients are required to:**

* Employ a full time 21st CCLC coordinator whose primary role is to oversee the design and implementation of grant funded programming across all funded sites. (See Addendum B – Grant Assurances for a sample job description). The coordinator salary maybe supported in full or in part through grant funds.
* Provide staff with the planning time needed to design and implement high quality academically enriching programming.
* Offer a schedule that meets the minimum number of required 400 hours. See the *Priorities* section in the RFP for details.
* Attend Department sponsored meetings/trainings and implement designated program evaluation tools.
* Submit reporting by the due dates posted (including student data and narrative).
* School districts that contract with a community agency to manage/operate the 21st CCLC program, and/or non-school district grantees, throughout duration of the grant, must designate a school based educational liaison.
* Per federal requirements the MA Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is required to conduct a subgrantee risk review to inform monitoring strategies and compliance with grant requirements. The risk reviews will be conducted annually in September as part of the year end evaluation process. This policy applies to all Massachusetts 21st CCLC programs throughout their awarded grant cycles.

**All Applicants must:**

* Demonstrate the activities proposed are not otherwise accessible to students who would be served, and/or would significantly expand access to high-quality academically enriching programming for students that have been historically marginalized.
* Be able to demonstrate how proposed programming will add value to the school/program, address identified gaps, and contribute to deepening student learning.
* In addition to a school year program, also provide at minimum a four (4) week summer program.
* Minimum of 4 days/week for 4 hrs/day for a total of 64 hours) that is engaging and enriching.

**Applicants with an existing OST program:**

* Must demonstrate that the funds from this grant will be used to significantly enhance programming offered and increase access. **These funds cannot be used for the purpose of providing scholarships for students to attend programs.**

**The Types of Programming supported through this grant include, but are not limited to, the following:**

* Project Based Learning (PBL)
* Civic Engagement
* Creative Arts including Art, Theater, Music, Dance
* Nutrition and Health Education/Wellness Programs
* Financial and Environmental Literacy
* STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)
* Homework/Academic Support
* Career and Technical Programs, Internships 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. (Please note grant funds may not be used to stipend students to attend the program.)
* Opportunities for credit recovery, (new or expanded), utilizing creative and transformative approaches to learning.
* Mental Health/Substance Use and Violence Prevention Programs/Counseling Programs
* Offer families of students served by the 21st CCLC opportunities for active and meaningful engagement in their children’s education, including opportunities for literacy and related educational development

**Indirect Cost Rates**

Applicants requesting indirect costs must have an approved rate.

* For community based applicants that have an approved indirect cost rate, no more than 5% may be budgeted for indirect costs.
* Community based applicants that wish to request indirect but do not have an approved indirect cost rate may apply to the Department for one. This rate is only for grants issued by the Department and is not to be considered as an overall indirect cost rate to be used with any other funding sources. [Click here to access a list of approved rates or download an application](http://www.doe.mass.edu/grants/essential.html).