

# 21st Century Community Learning Centers Fact Sheet (21st CCLC)

## What is a 21st CCLC program?

- The purpose of this program is to create community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities for children, particularly students who attend high poverty and low-performing schools to:
  - meet state and local standards in core academic subjects,
  - offer students a broad array of enrichment activities that can complement their regular academic programs, and
  - offer literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.
- This program federally funded for before/after school programs.
- Regulations are covered under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) – Title IV-B.

#### What is a 21st CCLC Center?

A community learning center offers <u>academic</u> <u>and youth development</u> opportunities to students and their families when school is not in session (before school, after school, or during holidays or summer recess).

# What is funded through the 21st CCLC grant?

Programs are funded that provide academic enrichment opportunities for children outside of the regular school day.

## Who qualifies to receive the grant funds?

- The grant will primarily serve students who attend schools <u>eligible</u> for Title I Schoolwide programs.
- Title I Schoolwide designation typically means that at least 40% of the students qualify for free or reduced-cost meals.

### How long are the grants funded?

Grants are funded on a yearly basis for a period up to five years.

# When will Kansas hold a new grant competition?

- The decision to fund a new competition is generally made in late January depending on available federal dollars.
- Updated information can be found at ksde.org or the Kansas Enrichment Network website (Kansasenrichment.net).

# Who should be contacted with questions?

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