

**Kansas State Department of Education Special Education Services Team
Technical Assistance System Request for Proposals (RFPs)
Bidders' Teleconference Call
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Questions and Answers**

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Materials and Directions: The Technical Assistance System Request of Proposals (RFPs) and the accompanying power point presentation is located by accessing <http://www.ksde.org>>SES Team Page> (right hand side) Announcements & Items>SES Request for Proposals (RFP) Information. This teleconference session will be recorded and posted, and the Questions and Answers from the morning and afternoon sessions will be posted for your convenience.

Question 1:

Is there anything that you want to add Crystal?

Answer:

I would like for you to add something about fees and cost recovery. In the budget section there is a description on how registration fees and excess cost levels are to be addressed. We ask that any registration fees be calculated on a cost recovery basis. In Kansas, we offer high quality professional development at an extremely affordable rate. For example, if registration fees are going to be charged for a training session and there is excess revenue that is generated, the excess revenue will be used for project activities during the following project year. Please note, there will be a revision in the budget reporting form that provides a way of documenting any excess revenue to be used during the following project year.

Question 2:

Can one fiscal agent apply for more than one request for proposal (RFP)?

Answer:

Yes. One fiscal agent may apply for more than one RFP.

Question 3:

This question is in reference to the competition for priority one and / or priority two. If the grants were combined to make one RFP, could there be an award for both of the priorities?

Answer:

Yes, this could be possible if the agency does not exceed the combined dollar amounts.

Question 4:

Do the existing K-STARS Project's involved in the work continuing? I noticed that they are listed in the RFP, but there is only the one that is addressed in the RFP.

Answer:

Existing K-STARS Projects are not involved in the work that is continuing. The existing K-STARS Projects are re-contextualized to support the work of the new priorities. The intention of the project is to improve results for all students from early childhood to post school outcomes regardless of the students' categories in order to meet the needs district wide and state wide across grade levels.

Question 5:

Can an agency address one priority and submit it as a lead project, and work as a subcontract in another priority area that is submitted?

Answer:

Yes, if the priority is addressed in the lead RFP and a subcontract was detailed in another priority area that is submitted, I would not know a reason that we would not consider it. However, the RFP and the subcontract would have to clearly show how the time was balanced between the two requests for proposals.

Question 6:

How will the review panel be selected?

Answer:

One of the reasons why we requested a letter of intent, is to help us identify a pool of reviewers that represent different roles in education, will help us avoid perceived biases, and avoid a conflict of interest. Proposals will be reviewed during the second week of January, 2010. Our intent is to submit the proposals to the Kansas State Board of Education (KSBE) at their February, 2010, board meeting since the board members have the final say if a proposal is funded.

Question 7:

If my letter of intent or grant application is late, will it still be considered?

Answer:

No, it will not be considered.

Question 8:

Can an agency exceed the dollar amounts in the competition areas where there will be one award?

Answer:

No, it cannot exceed the dollar amounts listed in the RFP.

Additional Information:

If you think of a question that was not answered in today's teleconference, please contact Colleen Riley, email: criley@ksde.org or phone: 785.291.3097.