



Open Door Grant Program

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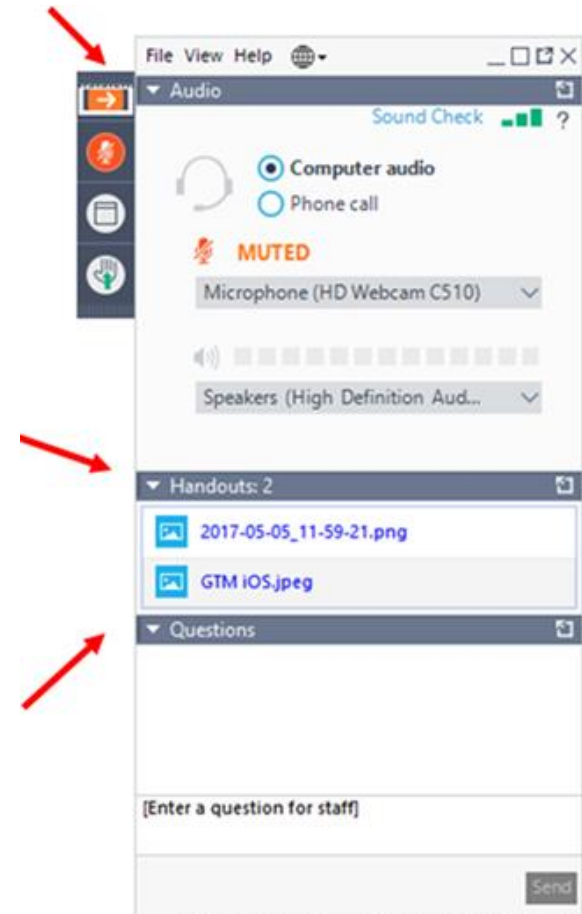
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- Today's presentation
- Rule 6A-20.045, F.A.C.
- FDOE Memos dated November 19, 2021
- DOE100A and Assurances documents

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Agenda

- Background
- Allocation of funds
- Next steps & resources
- Questions

Open Door Grant Program

- HB 1507 created section (s.) 1009.895, Florida Statutes (F.S.), to establish the Open Door Grant Program (Open Door), to provide funds to support student completion of short-term, high-demand credit and non-credit career and technical education (CTE) programs at:
 - School district postsecondary technical career centers under s. 1001.44, F.S.
 - Charter technical career centers under s. 1002.34, F.S.
 - Florida College System (FCS) institutions s. 1000.21(3), F.S.
- Rule 6A-20.045, Florida Administrative Code (FAC), implements the Open Door program and provides specifications on student eligibility, award types, application process and institutional requirements.

Funding

- To support implementation of Open Door, the Florida Legislature appropriated:
 - \$15,000,000 for school district career centers.
 - \$20,000,000 for FCS institutions.
- The budget/program performance period is July 1, 2021, through September 30, 2023.
- Pre-award costs are authorized for any allowable expenditure incurred on or after July 1, 2021, the effective date for House Bill 1507.

Agency Requested Approved Funds

- Based on the first-come, first-serve criteria established in s. 1009.895, F.S., and Rule 6A-20.045, F.A.C., FDOE fully funded all agency requests, totaling approximately:
 - \$4.7 million for 12 districts
 - \$6.4 million for 18 FCS institutions
- This includes prioritized funding for rural agencies and agencies operating integrated education and training (IET) programs.

Minimum Base Amount

- In addition to fully funding agency requests on a first-come, first-serve basis, FDOE has identified a minimum base allocation for all eligible agencies, which includes:
 - School district postsecondary technical career centers under s. 1001.44, F.S.
 - Charter technical career centers under s. 1002.34, F.S.
 - FCS institutions under s. 1000.21(3), F.S.
- Minimum base allocations are based on FDOE's estimation of institutional need.



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Agencies that submitted an Open Door Grant Application

<https://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/5592/urlt/OpenDoorGrantMemo-submitted.pdf>

Agencies that submitted an Open Door Grant Application

- Agencies that submitted an Open Door Grant Program application are not required to modify any grant application documents (DOE 100A, Project Application, Open Door Narrative and Open Door Excel Workbook with Budget Narrative 101S) to receive the additional amount allocated through the minimum base allocation.
- The award letter (DOE-200) will reflect the “Total Allocation,” unless the agency chooses to opt-out of receiving the minimum base amount by December 8, 2021, by notifying OpenDoor@fldoe.org.

Agencies that submitted an Open Door Grant Application

- The minimum base amount may be spent at any time to cover the cost of attendance for programs already approved in the agency's submitted Open Door Excel Workbook if it is determined there is an unmet need.
- Additionally, minimum base Open Door funds may be applied in the following circumstances with prior FDOE approval:
 - The agency has begun offering an eligible program that it did not offer or choose to include at the time of application.
 - Programs are added to the Master Credentials List that meet the framework of quality and are credentials of value.
 - A linkage is added to the Master Credentials List between an industry certification and a program.



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Agencies that did not submit an Open Door Grant Application

<https://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/5592/urlt/OpenDoorGrantMemo-notsubmitted.pdf>

Agencies that did not submit an Open Door Grant Application

- Agencies that did not submit an Open Door Grant Program application are required to submit the following documents to OpenDoor@fldoe.org:
 - DOE 100A, Project Application Form, signed by the agency head or other authorized person.
 - Assurances document signed by the agency head or other authorized person.
- In order to receive the allocation, completed documents must be submitted to OpenDoor@fldoe.org by **Wednesday, December 8, 2021**.



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Next Steps & Resources

Next Steps by December 8, 2021

Agencies that submitted application

- No action needed unless the agency wishes to opt out of receiving the minimum base amount.

Agencies that did not submit application

- Submission of completed DOE100A, Project Application Form, and signed Assurances document.

Note: Prior to spending funds, agencies must submit a spending plan with a detailed budget; these documents will be due at a later date identified by the department.

Resources

- Agencies may submit questions at any time by emailing OpenDoor@fldoe.org.
- Open Door website
 - www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/funding-opportunities/opendoor.shtml
- Rule 6A-20.045, F.A.C.
 - <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/RuleNo.asp?id=6A-20.045>



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