

Innovative Partnership Grant (IPG) Cohort III Competitive Grant Program

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IPG Purpose and Funding Source

- Funds are reserved from the State Education Agency's (SEA's) Title I, Part A funds to make discretionary grants for additional school improvement efforts.
- This competition will provide additional fiscal resources, technical support, and regular school visits to improve student achievement and ultimately to assist these schools with exiting the federal identification and status of CSI.

Eligibility Requirements

- To be eligible to apply for IPG – Cohort III funding, a Public School Unit (PSU) must:
- Have one or more schools identified under the federally approved definition for CSI
- The CSI school(s) must be identified as Tier II, which refers to all schools who were previously identified in 2018–19 and reidentified in the fall of 2022–23.
- Not currently (or previously) funded as an IPG school.

IPG Review Process Overview

- Thirty (30) Intent to Apply forms received
- Fifteen (15) applications were completed and reviewed
- Applications reviewed independently by three individuals on an external review panel
- Scores were averaged to produce one score per application
- Scored applications were placed in “rank order” by SBE Regions to identify top application (meeting minimum requirements) in each Region
- Top six (6) applications overall then identified
- Fifteen (15) applications are offered for funding recommendation

Applications Submitted and Reviewed

Org #	Org Name	Region	County
67B	Z.E.C.A. School of Arts and Technology	2	Onslow
530	Lee County Schools Bragg Street Academy	3	Lee
93L	Central Wake High School	3	Wake
34Z	Appalachian Academy at Middle Fork	5	Forsyth
340-1	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #1 Ashley Academy	5	Forsyth
340-2	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #2 Carver High	5	Forsyth
340-3	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #3 Forest Park Elementary	5	Forsyth
340-4	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #4 Kimberley Park Elementary	5	Forsyth
340-5	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #5 Mineral Springs Middle	5	Forsyth
340-6	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #6 Philo-Hill Magnet Academy	5	Forsyth
800-1	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #1-Henderson Independent High	6	Rowan
800-2	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #2-North Rowan Elementary	6	Rowan
800-3	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #3-North Rowan Middle	6	Rowan
140	Caldwell County Schools - Gateway School	7	Caldwell
560	Macon County Schools - Union Academy	8	Macon

Applicant Scores

Org #	Organization Name	Region	County	Total Score
67B	Z.E.C.A. School of Arts and Technology	2	Onslow	103.00
530	Lee County Schools	3	Lee	126.33
93L	Central Wake High School	3	Wake	116.33
340-4	Winston Salem / Forsyth County Schools #4 Kimberley Park Elementary	5	Forsyth	134.67
34Z	Appalachian Academy at Middle Fork	5	Forsyth	129.33
340-2	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #2 Carver High	5	Forsyth	129.00
340-6	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #6 Philo-Hill Magnet Academy	5	Forsyth	128.00
340-5	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #5 Mineral Springs Middle	5	Forsyth	125.67
340-1	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #1 Ashley Academy	5	Forsyth	125.00
340-3	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #3 Forest Park Elementary	5	Forsyth	123.33
800-1	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #1-Henderson Independent High	6	Rowan	132.33
800-2	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #2-North Rowan Elementary	6	Rowan	115.00
800-3	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #3-North Rowan Middle	6	Rowan	114.33
140	Caldwell County Schools	7	Caldwell	123.00
'560'	Macon County Schools	8	Macon	115.00

Funding Request By Applicant

Org #	Organization Name	Region	Amount Requested YR 1
67B	Z.E.C.A. School of Arts and Technology	2	\$323,500.00
530	Lee County Schools Bragg Street Academy	3	\$289,000.00
93L	Central Wake High School	3	\$435,250.00
34Z	Appalachian Academy at Middle Fork	5	\$440,500.00
340-1	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #1 Ashley Academy	5	\$478,429.00
340-2	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #2 Carver High	5	\$487,969.00
340-3	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #3 Forest Park Elementary	5	\$428,948.00
340-4	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #4 Kimberley Park Elementary	5	\$428,948.00
340-5	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #5 Mineral Springs Middle	5	\$494,919.00
340-6	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools #6 Philo-Hill Magnet Academy	5	\$487,429.00
800-1	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #1-Henderson Independent High	6	\$500,000.00
800-2	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #2-North Rowan Elementary	6	\$500,000.00
800-3	Rowan-Salisbury Schools #3-North Rowan Middle	6	\$500,000.00
140	Caldwell County Schools - Gateway School	7	\$303,250.00
'560	Macon County Schools - Union Academy	8	\$340,000.00
Total Amount Recommended for Funding – Year 1			\$6,438,142.00

Funding By SBE Region

SBE Region	Number of Schools Eligible by Region	Number of Applications Submitted by Region	Number of Applications Recommended for Funding by Region	Amount of Funding Recommended by Region (YR1)
Northeast	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Southeast	1	1	1	\$323,500.00
North Central	4	2	2	\$724,250.00
Sandhills	1	0	N/A	N/A
Piedmont-Triad	10	7	7	\$3,247,142.00
Southwest	6	3	3	\$1,500,000.00
Northwest	1	1	1	\$303,250.00
Western	3	1	1	\$340,000.00
	26	15	15	\$6,438,142.00

External Partners by School

PSU	School Name	External Partner
Charter/LAB School	Appalachian Academy at Middle Fork	ED Direction
Caldwell County Schools	Gateway School	ED Direction
Charter/LAB School	Central Wake High School	ED Direction
Lee County Schools	Bragg Street Academy	ED Direction
Rowan – Salisbury Schools	Henderson Independent High	ED Direction
Rowan – Salisbury Schools	North Rowan Elementary	ED Direction
Rowan – Salisbury Schools	North Rowan Middle	ED Direction
Winston Salem/ Forsyth County Schools	Ashley Academy	Public Impact – Opportunity Culture
Winston Salem/ Forsyth County Schools	Carver High	Public Impact – Opportunity Culture
Winston Salem/ Forsyth County Schools	Forest Park Elementary	Public Impact – Opportunity Culture
Winston Salem/ Forsyth County Schools	Kimberly Park Elementary	Public Impact – Opportunity Culture
Winston Salem/ Forsyth County Schools	Mineral Spring Middle	Public Impact – Opportunity Culture
Winston Salem/ Forsyth County Schools	Philo-Hill Magnet Academy	Public Impact – Opportunity Culture
Charter/LAB Schools	Z.E.C.A School of Arts and Technology	Good Seed Education Solutions

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Questions

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Statewide Comprehensive and Targeted Support