

# Louisiana's Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Program Frequently Asked Questions

## Birth to Age 5, K-2, and Grades 3-5 Subgrants Summer 2018

#### 1. Who may apply for a 2018 Birth to Grade 5 SRCL subgrant?

School systems on behalf of schools serving the greatest populations of disadvantaged children (high poverty, English Learners and special education).

#### 2. What are the requirements to receive a subgrant?

Applicants must agree to participate in a national evaluation of the SRCL program. Additional Assurances are listed on the Cover Page in the <u>application</u>.

#### 3. How many schools can be included in the application?

Up to ten schools/sites.

#### 4. Can Year 1 SRCL grantees apply for a grant?

Yes. All Year 1 Birth to Grade 5 SRCL grantees must apply and compete successfully to continue receiving funds.

## 5. For Year 1 SRCL subgrantees, do the schools need to be the same?

School systems are strongly encouraged to keep the same schools since these are the schools that serve the greatest population of disadvantaged children, and data from these schools are being tracked.

#### 6. How will the application be structured and how many subgrants will be awarded?

School systems may apply for a Birth to Age 5 subgrant, Kindergarten-Grade 2 subgrant, and/or Grades 3-5 subgrant.

The State anticipates awarding:

- 40 Birth-Age 5 subgrants, up to \$87,875.00 each.
- 40 Kindergarten-Grade 2 subgrants, up to \$140,600 each, depending on the number of tools
  piloted in classrooms. Subgrantees will be expected to dedicate approximately 20 percent of
  the funds for pilot services.
- 40 Grades 3-5 subgrants, up to \$105,450.00 each.

## 7. Can school systems apply for more than one subgrant?

School systems may apply for only one subgrant in each age band: Birth-Age 5, Kindergarten-Grade 2, and Grades 3-5.

#### 8. Can applicants serve just one or two levels within an age or grade span?

For Kindergarten-Grade 2 and Grades 3-5, applicants should serve all three grade levels. For Birth-Age 5, applicants are strongly encouraged to include at least one child care center or Head Start Center, if possible.



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## 9. What must the subgrant application address?

The subgrant application must address the following criteria:

- Pilot Tools (Kindergarten Grade 2 applicants must complete this component)
- Project Schools/Sites
- Project Design
- Project Budget

#### 10. How may school systems use subgrant funds?

See list of SRCL Allowables.

#### 11. When is the application due, and when will awards be announced?

Applications are due Monday, July 23, 2018, 4:00 pm. Awards will be announced on or around August 10, 2018.

#### 12. What is the length of the grant period?

October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019.

#### 13. What type of support will the Department provide for completing the application?

The Department will host a **technical assistance webinar** on June 27 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., to provide guidance on completing the SRCL application and answer specific questions.

- Go to https://louisianaschools.adobeconnect.com/academiccontent.
- Enter the meeting room as a Guest and provide your name, or dial 1-855-240-2575, Participant Pin #89147656.

The Department will also host office hours on July 2, 10:00-11:00 a.m., and July 10, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

- Call the office hours toll free number at 712-451-0695.
- Enter Pin 568324#.