

8-14-17



Dear Grantee:

Welcome Back for the 2017-18 Academic Year!

1. CDE UPDATE

A. AO 400 Letters

Due to the increases for 2017-18 the letter generating process had to start all over again in ELD. Look for these to come sometime in September- if you receive yours please send me an email so I can alert all others to be on the lookout for their copy. Reminder these go to the Supt. office and we have found in the past that they often get waylaid there- so once you know they have been mailed, you can alert the Supt. support staff to let you know when it has arrived.

B. CDE GRANTEE ORIENTATION:

Once again CDE will be offering a Grantee Orientation (similar to the one offered on Ontario, CA this year). The date is August 24, 2017, it will be held in Norwalk, CA from 8 am- 5 pm; more details will be forthcoming but I wanted you to have the date for your calendars. For more information go to : <http://www.afterschoolnetwork.org/cde-expanded-learning-programs-2017-grantee-orientations>

C. NEW SNACK REQUIREMENTS FOR 2017-18

It is important that your Food Services staff are aware of the new snack requirements for 2017-18. Here are two resources that you can share with them: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/nu/as/snackfacts> and www.ocde.us/AfterSchool/Documents/State-SB%201169%20Chart.pdf

2. LOS ANGELES COUNTY UPDATE: we have posted many new offerings here are a few



you will want to check out!

A. PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND SITE COORDINATOR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM: APPLICATION DEADLINE 9-15=17

The link for the information packet and forms can be found at:

<http://aspire.lacoe.edu/resources/category/1/la-county-forms> (Site Coordinator Leadership Development)

This is a wonderful professional development opportunity for your seasoned Site Coordinators and Program Directors to further develop their leadership and management skill set with a Cohort. Once they have completed the program they will be invited to join the Site Coordinator/Program Director Leadership Community of Practice which will allow them to continue to network with their peers and others who have gone through the program before them and receive ongoing training and mentoring.

B. LOS ANGELES COUNTY EXPANDED LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING: SEPTEMBER 15, 2017

We hold 3 face-to-face meetings a year and 2 webinars where Grant Managers and Program Directors and any other interested person can come and hear the latest about the field from several perspectives: ELD updates; legislative updates, funding updates, program resources; state and national news and much much more! This is the meeting for you to connect with your peers and share with them as well as be brought up to speed on many critical items in the field.

To register for this event go to: <http://aspire.lacoe.edu/event-type-groups/county-advisory-committee-meetings> Note due to fire regulations we will only be able to accommodate walk ins for those seats not filled

At this meeting you will hear from:

1. Michael Funk, Director of the Expanded Learning Division (ELD) of CDE
2. An online resource that may come to LA County to assist parents in finding expanded learning opportunities for their children
3. A presentation by Classrooms, Inc. on the Read to Lead

NO COST Blended learning curriculum for grades 5-9 that is dynamite [note due to high interest in this curriculum a webinar has been scheduled as a follow up to this presentation, [here is the link to the Read to Lead Virtual Training: <http://aspire.lacoe.edu/event-type-groups/staff-development-training-events>].

C. COACHING SITE VISITS START SOON

As many of you know one of our primary responsibilities is to provide on-site coaching to Site Coordinators and their teams at the school sites. It is important for you to convey the following when you receive a notice from Emily Tay that one or more of your sites has been scheduled for one of these visits:

1. The sooner you sign up for a date on the electronic calendar the better chance you have of getting the date you selected
2. If a date is not chosen within 7 working days a date will be set for you
3. These are not “dog and pony” nor “gotcha” visits- these are COACHING visits – to help your staff move the quality needle at the site. A leave behind form is left the day of the visit with some immediate feedback- be sure your Site Coordinator shares this with you immediately.
4. Sites are chosen for a variety of reasons- it is not a punishment, the selection process is strategic.

D. UPDATING OUR GRANTEE CONTACT INFORMATION



To those who have returned the email that our office sent to you asking to update your Expanded Learning contacts. We utilize this information for many of our activities, so up to date information is critical. In the next 2 weeks you will get a request from us to update your Site Coordinator list- which is separate from the email you received. If you have any questions about these emails feel free to contact: Alma Gastelum at Gastelum_Alma@lacoed.edu or via phone at 562 401 5335.

3. LEGISLATION: reminder the ASES increase was a 1-year increase only: Advocacy needs to start now

The fight for an increase was successful for 2017-18 due to the fact that an additional \$50 million was added to the ASES budget for 2017-18! The fight to get permanent funding as well as save 21st CCLC at the federal level is very real. Come to the 9-15-17 Advisory Committee meeting to hear more about the efforts that need to take place during 2017-18! As you further develop your program calendar be sure to build in visits by local state legislators who will be asked to take act



4. NEW OPPORTUNITIES

A. FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

1. **Twenty Billion Mile Race** | <http://www.billionmilerace.org/grants> | Due date: September 15, 2017

New Balance Foundation and US Games, in partnership with the Billion Mile Race program from Tufts University, are awarding Walk/Run Equipment Grants to K-12 schools. Schools also must participate in the Billion Mile Race, which requires having a school-based walking or running program that involves students in running, jogging, or walking at school, either before, during, or after the school day. Award amount: \$500 worth of sports equipment.

2. **Captain Planet Foundation** | <http://captainplanetfoundation.org/apply-for-grants> | Due date: September 30, 2017

Small grants up to \$2,500 to schools and nonprofit organizations with annual operating budgets of less than \$3 million. Preferential consideration given to requests with 50% or more matching or in-kind funding for their projects. Activities must be project-based, performed by youth, and have real environmental outcomes. Small Grant cycle closes: September 30th and January 31st every year.

3. **Jane Goodall's Roots and Shoots Minigrant** | <http://rootsandshoots.org/minigrant> | Due date: September 30, 2017

Helps prepare young people for success by empowering them to get involved and make positive changes in the environment, animals, and the human community. Award amount: \$200 or \$400 in Visa gift cards. Must register for Roots & Shoots membership (free). Due: January 20th, March 31st, April 21st, and September 30th.

4. **American Honda Foundation** | <http://www.honda.com/community/applying-for-a-grant> | Due Date: February 1, 2018

Engages in grant making that reflects the basic tenets, beliefs and philosophies of Honda companies that are characterized by the following qualities: imaginative, creative, youthful, forward-thinking, scientific, humanistic and innovative. Supports youth education with a specific focus on the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects in addition to the environment. Award Amount: \$20,000 - \$75,000. Applications Due: New organizations (those that have never received funding from AHF) can apply for either the February 1 or the August 1 deadline date. The May 1 deadline date is reserved for returning organizations only (those funded at least once in the last 10 years).

5. **Joseph Drown Foundation Education Grant** | <http://www.jdrown.org/mission/index.html> ; Due: January 15th, April 15th, July 15th, and October 15th

Eligibility: 501(c)(3) nonprofits, government institutions, schools in the Los Angeles area. Goal is to assist individuals in becoming successful, self-sustaining, contributing citizens. Supports education programs in K-12 public and private schools that seek to solve the existing problems in area schools.

Education reform can be made directly to the schools or to independent organizations, which are closely involved with this issue.. Amount: Varies.

5. RESOURCES

A. 3RD QUALITY STANDARDS IN ACTION VIDEO RELEASET!

The California Department of Education's Expanded Learning Division (CDE- EXLD) is pleased to announce the release of the **third** of six [Quality Standards in Action Videos](#)! The purpose of these videos is to provide a visual display to guide programs from a practical view point. Each video will range from 3-5 minutes and will highlight the characteristics of a *Point-of-Service* Quality Standards. This newly released video highlights *Safe and Supportive Environment*. Feel free to download and share widely!



[Quality Standard: Safe and Supportive Environment from Expanding Student Success on Vimeo](#)

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“We do not need magic to transform our world. We carry all the power we need inside ourselves already. We have the power to imagine better.” J.K. Rowling