FY20 KAS FAQ

Q. If awarded the grant, what it the timeline for the money to be spent?

A. Funds will be made available to the district in January, 2020 and must be spent by June 30th, 2020.

Q. We were wondering about the KDE PD Sessions and if there is a cost?

A. No, there is no cost for the virtual professional learning (PL) sessions available on kystandards.org.

Q. Also, how many do the people implementing the grant have to attend?

1. There is not a required amount of PL sessions. The number of staff and the amount of PL sessions required will be dependent on the KAS Implementation Learning Plan submitted by the district. Most PL sessions are available digitally, therefore travel is not required and the number of participants able to attend is not limited.

Q. Are the educational cooperatives permitted to apply for this grant?

A. No, Cooperatives cannot apply.

Q. Is there a limit of $10,000 per district?  We have 4 schools in our district and were wondering if we needed to write the grant based on the district or each school's need.

A. Yes, the limit is $10,000 per district. A district can only submit one application. If the KAS Implementation Learning Plan is for all schools in the district, then the grant should be based on the district’s need. If the district is submitting the plan on behalf of specific schools, then the grant should be written based on just those school’s needs.

Q. What is the time frame for spending the allocated funds for our district if we receive the grant? Is it within the first 180 days?

A. Funds will be made available to the district in January, 2020 and must be spent by June 30th, 2020.

Q. Can a portion of the allocated funds also be used for a scholarship $500.00 for a senior social studies student in our district in May? Possibly 0676 MUNIS Code Scholarships?

A. No, funds should be directly connected to professional learning to effectively impact Kentucky Academic Standards Implementation.

Q. The XXXX Coop has an ATLAS subscription T[*https://atlas.nbpts.org/login?next=%2F*](https://atlas.nbpts.org/login?next=%2F)*ATLAS provides a library of authentic cases of accomplished teaching practice indexed to common teaching and learning frameworks across a wide variety of classroom settings.* Several of our districts have purchased user accounts in order to use the videos and case studies for professional learning. We used this resources when training on the Opportunity Myth this summer. .

My question is would districts be able to use the funds from the grants to purchase new or additional user accounts through our subscription (we get a substantial discount)  for their staff?

1. Yes, some of the funds can be used for professional learning materials to supplement ongoing efforts, but cannot be used to supplant funds. An accompanying rationale should provide context of how the instructional material will enhance and complement the teacher professional learning for standards implementation.