

Rhode Island 21st Century Community Learning Centers RFP
Form 3. Assurances Affirmation (Required, Signed)

GENERAL ASSURANCES

In accordance with Section 9306 of ESEA and Section 442 of GEPA, the applicant agency assures the Rhode Island Department of Education that this application submitted for funding under the 21st Century Community Centers program provides that:

- a) Subgrant funds will be used to increase the level of state, local, and other non-federal funds that would, in the absence of these funds, be made available for programs and activities authorized under the law authorizing this program, and in no case supplant federal, state, local, or non-federal funds.
- b) Unless and until existing requirements are waived, the applicant will continue to comply with all operational requirements of this program. The program will be administered in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, program plans, and applications.
- c) (1) Control of funds provided under this program and title to property acquired with these program funds will be in a public agency or in a nonprofit private agency, institution, organization, if the law authorizing the program provides for assistance to such entities; and (2) The public agency, nonprofit private agency, institution or organization will administer such funds and property to the extent required by the authorizing statutes;
- d) The applicant will adopt and use proper methods of administering each such program including:
 - (1) The enforcement of any obligations imposed by law on agencies, institutions, organizations and recipients responsible for carrying out this program; and
 - (2) The correction of deficiencies in program operations that are identified through audits, monitoring or evaluation.
- e) The applicant will cooperate in carrying out any evaluations of this program conducted by or for the Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE), the Secretary of Education, or other federal officials.
- f) The applicant will use such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures as will ensure proper disbursement of, and accounting for, federal funds paid to such applicant under this program.
- g) The applicant will make reports to RIDE and the Secretary of Education as may be necessary to enable such agency and the Secretary to perform their duties under this program.

- h) The applicant will maintain such records, provide such information, and afford access to the records as RIDE or the Secretary may find necessary to carry out RIDE's or the Secretary's duties.

CIVIL RIGHTS ASSURANCES

All recipients of assistance under these grants made pursuant to the ESEA shall comply with the following Federal and State civil rights statutes and regulations:

- a) 42 USC, Sections 1981 and 1983 (...acts prohibited on the basis of race);
- b) Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (...acts prohibited on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin);
- c) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, 20 United States Code 1681 et. Seq. (acts prohibited on the basis of sex);
- d) 42 USC, Section 1601 et seq. (...acts prohibited on the basis of age);
- e) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 20 USC 794 (...acts prohibited on the basis of handicap);
- f) 24 USC, Section 12100 et seq. [The Americans with Disabilities Act] (...acts prohibited on the basis of disability);
- g) Section 16-38-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended (discrimination because of race or age);
- h) Section 16-38-1.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended (discrimination because of sex);
- i) Chapter 42-87 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended (Civil Rights of Individuals with Handicaps); and
- j) Sections 28-5.1-13 and 28-5.1-14 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended (Private education institutions – compliance with state policy of non-discrimination and affirmative action).

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

This certification is required by the Department of Education regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 34 CFR Part 85, for all lower tier transactions meeting the threshold and tier requirement stated at Section 85.110.

Certification:

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

21st CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS-SPECIFIC ASSURANCES

In accordance with Sections §4201 through §4205 of ESEA, the applicant agency assures the Rhode Island Department of Education that this application submitted for funding under the 21st Century Community Centers program provides that:

- a) The program will take place in a safe and easily accessible facility.
- b) The program will target students who primarily attend schools that can document that 40% or more of their population are living in poverty, based on eligibility data for Free and Reduced Price Lunch, or are otherwise eligible to implement a Title I, Part A, Schoolwide Program – and the families of such students.
- c) The program was developed and will be carried out in active collaboration with the schools that participating students attend (including through the sharing of relevant data), all participants of the applicant, and the partners listed on the application cover page, in compliance with applicable laws relating to privacy and confidentiality;
- d) The program was developed and will be carried out in alignment with Rhode Island state academic standards and any local academic standards.
- e) As required under Title VIII, Part F (Uniform Provisions) of ESEA, timely and meaningful consultation was made with appropriate officials of non-public schools located in areas served by the proposed program. Services will be provided to students in those schools on an equitable basis.

- f) All services, benefits and materials provided under this grant will be strictly secular, neutral, and non-ideological in nature.
- g) The community was given notice of the applicant's intent to submit an application.
- h) The application and any waiver request will be available for public review after submission of the application.
- i) Per Rhode Island General Laws §16-2-18.1 *et seq.*, all staff who may have direct or unmonitored contact with children or students, including those who are hired by a third party, shall undergo a national and state criminal background check via fingerprinting. Volunteers who may have direct and unmonitored contact with children and/or students, shall, at a minimum, undergo a state criminal background check per RIGL §16-2-18.4.

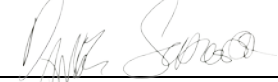
As a legal authorized representative of the applicant agency, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this application for 21st Century Community Learning Center funds is correct and that the applicant agency will comply with all assurances as stated above.

New Urban Arts

Name of Lead Applicant (Fiscal Agent)

Daniel Schleifer, Executive Director

Name of Authorized Agent (Please Print)



Signature of Authorized Agent

4/18/2017

Date