



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2325

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The funds will allow Pinellas County Schools to complete major renovations on a new professional development center space on property currently owned by the school district. The facility will provide a space for teachers, leaders, and all other district employees to receive professional development training. The district will also encourage local colleges and universities to access professional development at the facility through joint-use agreements.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	4,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	4,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	4,000,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	4,000,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	8,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.



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ESSR and CARES Act funds totaling \$80.3 million were received and used to mitigate learning loss and respond to the COVID pandemic while keeping schools open.

11. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Complete major renovations to build a leadership and professional development center on property owned by the school district.	4,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		4,000,000

12. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?

The goal of the appropriation is to allow Pinellas County Schools (PCS) to complete major renovations on a new professional development center space on property currently owned by the school district. The facility will provide a space for PCS teachers, leaders, and all other district employees to receive professional development training. The district will also encourage local colleges and universities to access the building through joint-use agreements.

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

PCS teachers, leaders, and employees will be able to access high-quality professional development and leadership training at the center. The district will also encourage the use of the center by other educational institutions including St. Pete College and University of South Florida.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

Professional development will be provided to teachers and district employees.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

Over 1,000 teachers and school district employees.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

The school district will track how many employees receive professional development at the center and the number of credentials earned.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

Funds will be returned to the state.



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13. The owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

Pinellas County School District will be the recipient of the funding received.



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify) School District

d. First Name Last Name

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number