

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1991

1. Project Title	Duval County Public Schools -expanding Elementary Career and
	Technical Education (CTE) Opportunities

2. Senate Sponsor Tracie Davis

3. Date of Request 3/3/2025

4. Project/Program Description

Should the agency recognize they are unable to meet the deliverables or performance measures within the provided time frame, they should request a no-cost extension in order to have enough time to meet expectations. If the agency is still not able to meet deliverables, a performance improvement plan should be written that outlines action items that will be taken to ensure deliverables are met with appropriate interventions in place.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Education

State Agency contacted? Yes

9.

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	850,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	850,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage	
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	850,000	100%	
Matching Funds			
Federal	0	0%	
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%	
Local	0	0%	
Other	0	0%	
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	850,000	100%	

8. Has this project previously received state funding? If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	
Is future-year funding likely to be requested?		No		
a. If yes, indicate r	nonrecurring amou	nt per year.		
b. Describe the so	urce of funding that	at can be used in li	eu of state funding	•

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

No

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10. Status of Constru a. What is the cur		ne project?			
b. Is the project " c. What is the est d. What is the est	imated start dat	i.e permitted)? te of construction? tion date of construction? sed for ongoing operations	7/15/2025 11/15/2025 and maintenance o	of the project?	

11. List 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.

12. 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	CTE District Specialist- will lead the project and oversee all parts of implementation and compliance with the appropriation	100,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	Curriculum writing for 5th grade digital tool integration with academics, lead cohort teachers, 5th grade teachers implementing pilot curriculum	100,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Software costs for 5th grade digital tool exams and resource curriculum Supply costs for hands-on activities to accompany digital tool curriculum Vehicle or trailer to be converted into mobile CTE lab Supplies and equipment for mobile CTE lab (to include take-home activity for each student that visits mobile CTE lab)	650,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	850,000

13. Program Performance

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



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This project will increase career exposure opportunities for students at the elementary level and therefore ensure CTE is a K-12 experience in Duval County Public Schools. Students in grades K-4 will be exposed to careers within different industries through exploration activities on a mobile CTE lab, opening their eyes to potential interests they may have for future studies. Students in grade 5 will have the opportunity to take digital tool exams, gaining early exposure to certification.

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

Elementary students in Duval will participate in career exposure activities through the use of a mobile CTE lab. The lab will travel across the school district, providing an on-campus "field trip" for students to enhance their understanding of career opportunities in our community. In addition, 5th grade students will participate in curriculum to prepare for digital tool certification.

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

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

The project will serve over 800 elementary students by providing access to the Career and Technical Mobile Unit. This initiative ensures equitable educational opportunities by delivering hands-on career exposure regardless of economic barriers. Target populations also include economically disadvantaged youth, at-risk youth, students with disabilities.

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

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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 in the contract?

If deliverables are not met, the recommended penalty is the return of funds to the state to be reallocated to other support initiatives.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? No

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- □ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- **Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)**
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- □ Yes, Applied
- □ Yes, Received
- 🗆 No



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□ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

□ Yes, Applied

□ Yes, Received

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□ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

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b. Organization	Duval County Public Scho	ol	
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d. Phone Number	(904)390-2115	Ext.	

18. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization	Duval County Public Schools			
b. Municipality and County Duval				
c. Organization Ty	c. Organization Type			
□For Profit Entity	ý			
□Non Profit 501((c)(3)			
□Non Profit 501((c)(4)			
☑Local Entity				
□University or College				
□Other (please specify)				
d. First Name	Jill Last Name Fierle			



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