



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1305

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Continue to conduct a rigorous high school academic competition to stretch our most accomplished students, defray costs for participating teams, sharpen skills for teachers of high performing students, and provide high achieving students the appropriate recognition they deserve.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	250,000	58%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	150,000	34%
Other	35,000	8%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	435,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	250,000	100	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

N/A.

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

Yes

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



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PCPS received \$30,682,166 in federal funding from the CARES Act to strengthen our response to the pandemic with programs to support student academic achievement. PCPS also received \$122,495,839 from CRRSA and \$287,570,472 from the ARP Act for programs to address improving our response to the pandemic through improvements in indoor air-quality and through academic programs to address address learning loss in accordance with applications submitted & approved by FDOE.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. 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.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Salary - 50% of tournament director - provides for supervision of all project activities	53,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Hourly stipends for teachers to be trained in specific tournament question formats, develop question items, and assist in tournament production (average \$3530) per teacher (up to 100 hours each)	38,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Travel for approximately 40 teams and event staff to attend tournament. Name badges and holders for attendees.	133,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Technical services (equipment and labor during tournaments), approximately 40 sub days @ \$100 each for Polk County teacher who staff the tournament.	26,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		250,000

14. Program Performance

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



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

1. Training and materials to educators that enable them to work with students on rigorous, academically focused extracurricular activities 2. Training to teachers with subject area expertise to write & review questions related to state curricular benchmarks 3. Production of electronic displays, graphic displays, and audio components to aid in the presentation of questions during the competition.

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

Grants provided assist with the cost of student accommodations and registration. Local-individual district academic teams use material developed by the Academic Tourney to prepare teams for local competition. Regional-district academic teams come together for pre-tournament scrimmages using materials developed by the Academic Tourney to prepare for state-level competition. Statewide Final.

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

High performing high school students.

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

To provide rigorous academic high school competition to our most accomplished students. 1. The tournament will recruit 45% of Florida's school districts to participate and include charter and private schools. Outcomes will be measured by providing team participation logs, listings on event website, and participation by FDOE.

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?

If the contractor fails to meet and comply with the activities/deliverables established in the contract or to make appropriate progress on the activities and/or towards the deliverables and they are not resolved within two weeks of notification, the contract manager may approve a reduced payment or request the contractor redo the work or terminate the contract.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. 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)



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- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number