R277. Education, Administration.

R277-619. Student Leadership Skills Development.

R277-619-1. Authority and Purpose.

(1) This rule is authorized by:

(a) Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3, which vests general control and supervision over public education in the Board;

(b) Subsection 53E-3-401(4), which allows the Board to execute rules to carry out its duties and responsibilities under the Utah Constitution and state law; and

(c) Subsection 53F-2-508(4), which directs the Board to make rules for elementary school participation in this pilot grant program.

(2) The purpose of this rule is to provide criteria, procedures and timelines for the Board to designate schools and grant awards to facilitate elementary school participation in the pilot Student Leadership Skills Development program.


(1) "Matching funds" means an amount of funds or services that shall be provided by an applicant in the Board application to meet the match requirement of Subsection 53F-2-508(5)(a) for first year applicants.

(2) "Student leadership skills development program" or "Program" means a program established in accordance with Section 53F-2-508 to develop students' behaviors and skills vital for learning and career success and that will enhance a school's learning environment.


(1) An elementary school that includes any combination of grades K-6 may apply for program funds.

(2) An applicant school shall provide a completed application for its pilot program, which shall:

(a) indicate how the program will develop:

(i) communication skills;

(ii) teamwork skills;

(iii) interpersonal skills;

(iv) initiative and self-motivation;
(v) goal setting skills;
(vi) problem solving skills; and
(vii) creativity;
(b) estimate the number of students that will be served by the program;
(c) agree that the school will provide all data and information required by the Superintendent for evaluation and reporting purposes;
(d) explain how the school will provide matching funds as required under Subsection 53F-2-505(5)(a).
(d) provide additional information requested by the Superintendent on the application including selection criteria and assurances provided in Subsection 53F-2-508(5).


(1) The Superintendent shall set application and funding deadlines based on funding availability.
(2) The Superintendent shall screen all applications for compliance with all state laws, this Rule R277-619, and application requirements.
(3) The Superintendent may seek the participation and advice of an independent evaluating committee in recommending applications for funding.
(4) The Board shall make final school funding selections.
(5) Subject to legislative appropriation, the Board shall determine the final number of schools and amounts per school not to exceed $10,000 per school for first year applicants and $20,000 per school for second year applicants, based on the number and quality of applications.

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