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M E M O R A N D U M

To: School Districts and Charter Schools

From: Rocky Kearney, Deputy Director, PSFA

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Subject: 2017-2018 Standards-Based and Systems-Based Pre-Applications

The PSCOC has a limited pool of funds available for 2017-2018 Standards Based and Systems-Based awards for highly-ranked school projects. As a result, remaining unallocated funds from the 2016-2017 award cycle have been consolidated with the 2017-2018 award cycle available funding.

The deadline to submit pre-applications is Monday, February 13, 2017. All previously-submitted 2016-2017 systems-based pre-applications have been accepted will be updated to the 2017-2018 ranking and included in the 2017-2018 awards cycle for consideration of an award; these applicants may update their pre-application if desired and submit by the February 13, 2017 deadline

Pre-applications are a planning tool for the PSCOC to anticipate funding needs for an application cycle and to make a determination on a final funding pool that will be followed by a full application, at which time the district's request will become finalized. Based on the criticality of need and on project readiness, funds earmarked for these programs will be awarded to applicant districts and charters in July 2017.

The 2017-2018 Preliminary weighted NMCI (wNMCI) Ranking and all application documents can be found under the "Funding" heading in the index on the top of the PSFA's home page at www.nmpsfa.org. In addition, please see the revised timeline for other key dates during this award cycle.

Eligibility for standards-based capital outlay school funding is subject to the following limitations:

- Only highly-ranked projects with a **wNMCI score of 60.00 or greater** of the 2017-2018 wNMCI Preliminary Ranking will be considered.
- District match requirements per state/local match percentage (to be recalculated in May 2017).
- Sufficient district local matching dollars are or will be available. The PSCOC may consider limited approval of requests for local match reductions or advances for this funding program upon districts qualifying under certain conditions and evidence that no other funds are available.

- Per standard criteria for all PSCOC funding, a current district facility master plan, preventive maintenance plan and use of FIMS are prerequisites.

If the district has a school that the district believes is not adequately reflected in the preliminary wNMCI rankings, please contact the respective PSFA Regional Manager to coordinate further review or administrative remedies before making a formal appeal to the PSCOC. The deadline for formal appeal is February 13, 2017 at 5:00 P.M.

Eligibility for systems-based capital outlay school funding is subject to the following limitations:

- The pre-application has been designed for ease of use by the districts. The information needed to complete the form are easily accessible by the district and include:
 - A recent copy of the facility Executive Summary from FAD
 - Most recent copy of FMAR conducted at proposed facility
 - Current copy of District's FMP /Capital Projects list
 - Max Gross SqFt Calculator http://nmpsfa.org/facility_planning/adequacy_standards.htm
- Only highly-ranked projects within the **top 100** of the 2017-2018 Preliminary wNMCI Ranking will be considered. Based on the number of pre-applications received by the February 10, 2017 due date, a final funding pool will be established that will be used to determine eligibility to complete the full application and be considered for an award.
- Districts that are being considered for the systems initiative should have an FMAR score at least 60% for the campus, below is very poor maintenance.
- Feasibility/utilization/engineering evaluation report(s) are complete (at Full Application); and demonstrate that:
 - The post-project w/NMCI would be one third lower than pre-project w/NMCI
 - Total project cost is 50% or less of the total facility replacement costs
- The district must be willing and able to provide its local share of the total cost of the project. Advances and waivers will not be considered under this program.

Highlight of other key dates following required February 13th submission of pre-applications:

February 20, 2017	Awards Subcommittee Meeting – Release of Full Applications
February 2017 - April 2017	PSFA support for ongoing facility evaluations/assessments of applicant districts
April 28, 2017	Full Applications Due
May 22-June 2, 2017	Site Visits of Applicant Districts
June 6, 2017	Site Visit reports shared with Districts
June 9, 2017	Final Revised Applications Due <i>(if applicable, changes to Full Application not required)</i>
June 16, 2017	Presentation Materials Due to PSFA
June 29, 2017	PSCOC District Presentation Meeting
July 6, 2017	PSCOC Staff/PSFA Recommendation Review Meeting
July 18, 2017	Awards Subcommittee Meeting
July 27, 2017	PSCOC Award Meeting

Please contact the respective district PSFA Regional Manager for questions or further details about these initiatives and/or the application process.