

DATE:	September 19, 2024
SUBJECT:	Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities (LASO) Cycle 3 Grants-Application Opens October 14, 2024
CATEGORY:	Informational Update
NEXT STEPS:	Share with appropriate staff

What is LASO Cycle 3?

The Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities (LASO) Cycle 3 is the next iteration of a universal consolidated application cycle that strategically batches grant funding opportunities for Texas school systems to support continued learning acceleration and innovation opportunities. LASO Cycle 3 will offer \$160 Million in supports and services via 11 grant programs consolidated into one program application.

What are the Included Grant Opportunities?

LASO program grants focus on three primary learning acceleration strategies: Curriculum & Instruction; More Time; and Innovative School Models. The following 11 grants will be included:

Instructional Materials

- Strong Foundations Planning Supports (SFP)
- Strong Foundations Implementation Supports (SFI)
- Strong Foundations Implementation School Improvement PLC Supports (SFI-SI-PLC)
- Instructional Leadership (IL) Grant (Award packages include complete Instructional Leadership Package with TIL and Product support, or without Product Support, or Observation & Feedback and Data Driven Instruction (DDI) package)
- Technology Lending Grant (TLG)
- Math Innovation Zones and the Blended Learning Grant Program (BLG)
- Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles (AP CSP)

More Time

- Additional Days School Year Planning and Execution Program (ADSY PEP) Summer Learning

Innovative School Models

- School Action Fund (SAF)
- Early College High School (ECHS)
- Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH)

Next Steps

- The grant application opens on October 14, 2024, and closes at 5:00 pm CT on December 13, 2024.
- The following resources are available to school systems:
 - Visit the [LASO 3 website](#) to familiarize yourself with the following preliminary grant information:

- [Best Fit Guidance](#) | Provides criteria to help determine if a grant fits the school system's needs.
- [Grant One Pager](#) | Provides preliminary detailed information about each grant.
- **Communicate** and share the information with your internal teams to support the decision-making process on which sets of grants to apply for.
- **Register** for our upcoming informational webinars. Two general webinars will take place on October 1st and 3rd, while program specific webinars are scheduled between October 17th and October 25th. Registration links are available on the [LASO 3 website](#).

Contact Information

You may contact the Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities team at LASO@tea.texas.gov or by visiting the [LASO 3 website](#).