**FY24/25 Genocide Education Grant (FC215a):**

**Questions and Answers**

1. Is the student number that is referred to in the different tiers (tier 1, up to 1000 students, tier 2, 1000-6000) based on total district enrollment K-12 or just the number of students in 6-12?

**The student number refers to the total district enrollment K-12.**

1. Are there specific outside vendors that are available to work with schools on this initiative?

**While DESE does not have specific approved vendors, there are some relevant organizations listed in the FAQ on our website. Districts are responsible for finding vendors that support the particular needs outlined in their proposal.**

1. When writing the grant, do we have flexibility in listing the PD that we are pursuing without needing to specify exact course, number of participants, vendor, etc.? We would like to take more time to research and plan PD sessions for the following school year.

**We understand that assessing district needs may be a necessary part of the proposal. If this is the case, it is acceptable to include a plan for identifying a PD vendor and details later in the project. However, a scope of work will be required when that PD provider is selected. Including an established PD provider and details regarding that partnership is preferable and will strengthen a district’s application.**

1. Will all teachers in both the HS and MS who will be supported by this grant need to take the same courses? Do we have the flexibility to pick specific courses for specific teachers based on their needs?

**Teachers supported by the grant do not all need to participate in the same professional development. Districts have the flexibility to identify opportunities that best meet the needs of various groups of teachers.**

1. For the curriculum line item, does this mean just teaching materials or can it be materials for students such as novels?

**Grant recipients may use funds to purchase student materials, including text sets.**

1. Is there a specific stipend amount or hourly rate for teachers that we must adhere to?

**Stipends and hourly rates are set by the district.**