1. More details around District commitments:

Year 1:

* 6 days of District Team planning and implementing the middles grades plan January to June 2020
  + The [SCRIPT](https://www.csforall.org/projects_and_programs/script/) Implementation planning 2 day workshop is K-12 planning.
  + The next 4 days is for implementing the middle grades part of the plan - the curriculum acquired and the PD will be for grades 6-8.  The makeup of the District team may change after the SCRIPT planning process.
* District Team Point of Contact keeps the plan and other grant artifacts updated in a accessible location (Google), collects/reports data, and disseminates communication.
* Summer PD for year 1 selected educators and coach(es).  (Could be - all one grade, one school, etc.)

Continuation Year 2:

* SY2020-2021 implement first year of plan
* District Team Point of Contact keeps the plan and other grant artifacts updated in a accessible location (Google), collects/reports data, and disseminates communication.
* 2 days of District Team planning
* PLC and tech support for educators and coach(es)
* Summer PD for year 2 selected educators and coach(es).  (Next grade, next schools, etc.)

Continuation Year 3:

* SY2021-2022 implement second year of plan
* District Team Point of Contact keeps the plan and other grant artifacts updated in a accessible location (Google), collects/reports data, and disseminates communication.
* 2 days of District Team planning
* PLC and tech support for educators and coach(es)
* Summer PD for year 3 selected educators and coach(es). (Last grade, last schools, etc.)

1. [SCRIPT](https://www.csforall.org/projects_and_programs/script/) plan?

If you have a [SCRIPT](https://www.csforall.org/projects_and_programs/script/) Implementation plan attach it to the proposal and if selected your district will skip the first 2 days of implementation planning. You would budget for 4 days for your District Team.  If you want/need to start your plan over send the plan with the proposal but in the narrative indicate that you want to participate in the workshop and make sure to have 6 days in the budget for your District Team.

More information on the SCRIPT workshop can be found [here](https://www.csforall.org/projects_and_programs/script/).

1. Is it possible for us to use the planning sessions to think about a big-picture plan for K-12, but only implement for grades 6-8 during the grant duration?

The first 2 days are the [SCRIPT](https://www.csforall.org/projects_and_programs/script/) Implementation Planning Workshop, which is K-12. Days 3-6 will focus on implementing the middle grades (6-8) part of the plan.

1. More budget details:

The district team will meet for 6 days (January-June 2020) during school hours.  Here you will budget for substitutes and travel expenses.  The workshops will be held regionally across the state.  Your district team for the first 2 days will be developing a K-12 DLCS implementation plan and must have at least one district administrator, one school administrator, and one teacher.  You are encouraged to invite a coach or other tech support person(s) and you should have someone that can speak for elementary, middle and high school.  Days 3-6 will focus on implementing the middle school part of the plan.  Your team membership will likely change for this part of the workshops but should include at least one district administrator, one school administrator, and one teacher. You are encouraged to invite a coach or other tech support person(s).

You also need a District Team point of contact.  This person will keep the plan and other grant artifacts updated in an accessible location (Google) and handle communication to the rest of the team from DESE, the Grant Evaluator, and the PD Coordinator.  There will also be some data collection and reporting responsibility towards the end of the grant (1-2 hours/month).

PD: for planning purposes an estimate of $1,800 per selected DLCS teacher and a support coach attending the PD, is recommended. These funds will be used by the Grant PD Coordinator to acquire the selected curriculum, schedule curriculum PD, manage payments to PD providers, and manage educator stipends/expenses. The $1800 is per educator.

**Budget Form Details:**

* District Team work (6 days) - sub-reimbursements would be listed in section #6 and travel expenses in section #8
* District Team Point of Contact (1-2 hours/month) – this could be sub-reimbursement in section #6 or a stipend in section #4.
* PD ($1800 per educator) – funds for the PD Coordinator contractor would be in section #6.

Our Grants office offers helpful information around all parts of the grant process on their site. Here is the [Guidelines for the Budgetary Information](http://www.doe.mass.edu/grants/procedure/manual.html#ii-b).

1. Can we focus on other grades in addition to middle grades?

The implementation planning is K-12 but the focus for implementation in year 1 is middle grades 6-8. Curriculum acquired and PD is planned for the middle grades.

1. Can this grant be utilized to purchase materials for CS integration?  For example, Makey Makeys, if we intend to create our own integrated, project-based curriculum, could we use this for teacher PD and supplies?

The selection of the curriculum is not open to any curriculum or create-your-own, in this Grant.  We are in the process of developing a RFR (request for response) for a Curriculum Evaluator contractor.  They will curate a menu of standards aligned curriculum for District to select from.

1. Is this to be taught during school hours or is this geared towards before/after school? Also, is there a curriculum provided? If so, can I take a look at the materials?

The grant is for in school hours implementation and covers planning, curriculum, and PD.  Districts will select from a curated list, of standards aligned, curricula. This curated list will be available to all districts in MA.

1. ***Sustainability:  Describe how grant funded activities will be sustained beyond the duration of the grant.*** Are you looking for sustainability around the planning and preparation or the implementation that will come out of the grant?

Yes to both.  Beyond the initial year and the 2 continuing years (pending fund availability): How will your District continue to review/revise the DLCS implementation plan?  How will the new courses be maintained?  How will your District address any need for professional development?

1. Do you have dates fort the 6 District team workshop days in 2020?

No, we have not hired the PD Coordinator that will manage the workshop. The plan is hold regional workshops: 2 consecutive days in late January or early February and the four remaining days to be scheduled in collaboration with the selected Districts.

* + Day 1-2: The [SCRIPT](https://www.csforall.org/projects_and_programs/script/) Implementation planning 2 day workshop is K-12 planning.
  + Day 3-6: The next 4 days is for further detailing and implementation of the middle grades part of the plan.

1. **District Team:** Could a Vice/Assistant Principal take the place of a Principal for the K-12 Implementation Planning and Middle Grades Implementation Workshops?

Yes, if the person in question has the authority to make decision on course addition or modification and scheduling.