

# Partnership for Reading Success – Massachusetts (PRISM)

## Is PRISM II Right for You?



The Partnership for Reading Success – Massachusetts (PRISM) II grant is part of Massachusetts' Literacy Launch initiative to promote and improve early literacy success for all students in **grades PreK–3**. The grant provides funding and guidance to districts, collaboratives, charter schools, and partner community-based preschools to evaluate, select, purchase, launch, and implement high-quality instructional materials (HQIM) for ELA/literacy in **grades PreK–3**, with the aim of increasing the number of students reading at or above grade level by the end of grade 3.

### When deciding whether to apply to PRISM II, consider:

Has my district, charter, or collaborative completed a comprehensive evaluation and selection process for ELA/Literacy HQIM for the PRISM II grades I plan to apply for, **and** are we prepared to purchase materials this summer for implementation in SY25-26?

**Yes**

You are ready to apply for PRISM II Track 1.

**No**

Continue reading to explore additional PRISM II tracks to find the best fit for your needs.

Is my district, charter, or collaborative ready to engage in a comprehensive evaluation and selection process for ELA/Literacy HQIM for grades in the PreK–3 band, **and** are we prepared to evaluate, select and purchase curricular materials in SY25-26 to implement in SY26-27?

**Yes**

You are ready to apply for PRISM II Track 2.

**No**

No matching track was found. Consider reviewing the criteria again or exploring alternative programs.



## Assessing Your Readiness

1. My district has already invested time and resources toward evidence-based, culturally and linguistically sustaining inclusive early literacy practices.
2. My district has support from the broader community for evidence-based early literacy and has the capacity to support this initiative.
3. My district is committed to addressing literacy achievement disparities.

Applications are due by  
**5:00 pm on Monday, May 19th**  
on GEM\$, DESE's Grants Management  
System

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