

VCPC Application Questions

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Succinctly describe who the applicants are, how much is being requested, what you plan to do, who the community partners are, who you will serve and how many students you expect to count on the school census.

B. APPLICATION INFORMATION

B1) Name of Grant Applicant/Fiscal Host (must be a school district or IRS 501c3 tax exempt organization):

B2) Total Request for one year: (not to exceed \$30,000 for first year implementation grant, \$15,000 for second year implementation grant or planning grant. *Approval of a second year implementation grant is not implied by approval of a first year implementation grant.*)

B3) Anticipated Number of Children to Be Added to the School Census during the proposed implementation year of your project.

B4) Cost Per Child to Be Counted on the School Census (the total requested from the VCPC divided by the number of new students to be counted on the Census).

B5) What is the state cap for the number of preschool age children your district/community can count? How many total preschool children in your community will be included on the school census during the proposal implementation year? In what year would you anticipate reaching your school district's state identified cap?

B6) Calculate the Local Residential Tax Rate
With Preschoolers on the Census
Without Preschoolers on the Census

B7) Provide a Project Budget in VCPC Excel Format. (Budget template is available from a VCPC Representative).

C. LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNICATIONS:

C1) Who are the Leaders on this Project?
a. Public School Co-Leader
b. Childcare Co-Leader

C2) Who are other leaders involved in the project:
a. Involved in Planning, Decision Making and Evaluation?
b. Receive Regular Updates?

c. Have an Awareness of or Interest in the Project?

C3) How have parents been involved in decision making related to planning and implementing preschool?

C4) How have regional or community planning groups been informed or involved in your efforts?

C5) How is your Pre-K project linked to other VCPC Projects?

D. THE PROJECT:

D1) Will partnership agreements between the public school and any of the following be a part of your project:

licensed childcare centers

home based child care providers

Head Start

other early education programs? (please specify)

D2) Will these agreements ensure that the programs attended by children are NAEYC accredited or 4-STAR rated?

D3) Will teachers have endorsement in early education by the Vermont Department of Education?

D4) Will these agreements ensure that the Vermont Early Learning Standards are used?

D2) What other components will these agreements include?

D6) How is Pre-K a part of the school action plan or identified as a school improvement strategy?

E. FINANCES:

E1) What non-discretionary public school resources (e.g. Title 1, EEI, EEE, IDEA) will be dedicated to increasing the number of preschool children on the school census?

E2) What discretionary public school resources (e.g. Title 1, IDEA, Medicaid) will be dedicated to increasing the number of preschool children on the school census?

E3) What other philanthropic or fundraising resources (financial or in-kind) are dedicated to the effort to count new children on the school census?

F. RESULTS:

F1) How will your community determine the success of the project?

F2) How will you track success of children enrolled in preschool after they have entered the k-12 system?

G. RISK FACTORS:

G1) How does Kindergarten readiness in your community compare to the state average?

G2) Has the school been identified as not making Adequate Yearly Progress?

H. REPORTING:

H1) Describe your school or organization's track record of successful grants management or your ability to manage grants successfully.