

Guidance for potential applicants to the NOAA STEM 21st CCLC program who are already receiving 21st CCLC funds:

1) Ensure that your application is responsive to the intent of this program: to partner 21st CCLC sites that lack the capacity to implement STEM-based watershed education programming with organizations that do. If your organization qualifies as a B-WET partner and is also a 21st CCLC grantee, you should discuss how this funding will enable you to do something new and describe the need for the audience to receive this programming (e.g. not already receiving or able to receive STEM programming.) Priority will be given to applications that will build capacity at 21st CCLC sites and bring new programming to 21st CCLC audiences.

2) Applicants who are also receiving 21st CCLC state funds must be able to document, verifiable by audit, how the funds received from this grant are used for the intended purpose and population, are not co-mingled with other sources of 21st CCLC funds, and do not duplicate work funded by other 21st CCLC funds.

Applicants should address both of these points in their application and both will be considered in the selection.

Guidance for all applicants:

Please note that these funds are designated by the U.S. Department of Education to support 21st Century Community Learning Centers, therefore 21st CCLCs must be the beneficiary of all program activities. Applications that propose work with audiences other than 21st CCLCs will not be funded.