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MISSOURI GRADE K-6 SCIENCE INITIATIVE
EVALUATION CRITERIA
2013-14

I – COMMITMENT AND CAPACITY OF PARTNERSHIP **(24 points possible) _____**

II – PROJECT GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND RESEARCHED-BASED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT **(47 points possible) _____**

III – EVALUATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN **(21 points possible) _____**

IV – INSTITUTIONAL CHANGE AND PROGRAM SUSTAINABILITY **(15 points possible) _____**

V – BUDGET AND COST EFFECTIVENESS **(22 points possible) _____**

TOTAL POINTS RECEIVED_____ /129

Rubric	Points Earned/ Point Possible	%	%	Max. % Possible
K-6 Science	_____/100	= _____ X .8	= _____	80
Department's Goals	_____/30	= _____ X .2	+ _____	20
	GRAND TOTAL		_____	100

I. COMMITMENT AND CAPACITY OF PARTNERSHIP - (24 points possible)

Does the program leadership team have the expertise to implement and sustain a grades K-6 science academy? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

Leadership team is composed of individuals that: • have strong content and pedagogical backgrounds in science education at the elementary level; • can demonstrate extensive evidence of successful management and sustainability of prior large scale projects; and • can demonstrate evidence of successful national and state-wide networking efforts between elementary level science teachers, higher education faculty, and scientists, engineers, and/or mathematicians in the field.	**(3-4 points) _____**
Leadership team is composed of individuals that: • have adequate content and pedagogical backgrounds in science education at the elementary level; • can demonstrate adequate evidence of successful management and sustainability of prior large scale projects; and • can demonstrate evidence of successful regional networking with elementary level science teachers, higher education faculty, and scientists, engineers, and/or mathematicians in the field.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Leadership team is composed of individuals that: • have limited content and pedagogical backgrounds in science education at the elementary level; • demonstrates insufficient evidence of successful management and sustainability of prior large scale projects; and • demonstrates limited evidence of networking with elementary level science teachers, higher education faculty, and scientists, engineers, and/or mathematicians in the field.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are mathematicians, scientists, and/or engineers playing major roles in the program? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

Mathematicians, scientists, and/or engineers are clearly described as playing a major role in the design and implementation of the program.	**(3-4 points) _____**
Mathematicians, scientists, and/or engineers are described as playing a limited role in the design and implementation of the program.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Mathematicians, scientists, and/or engineers are not described as having a role in the design and implementation of the program.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are the roles of all partners identified? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

All eligible partners and additional identified partners are included in the proposal and the role each plays in the design and implementation of the program is clearly described.	**(3-4 points) _____**
All eligible partners are included in the proposal and the role each plays in the design and implementation of the program is adequately described.	**(1-2 points) _____**
All eligible partners are included in the proposal and the role each plays in the design and implementation of the program is unclear.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Does the management plan engage all partners in meaningful ways including charter and nonpublic schools? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

The management plan demonstrates extensive involvement of all partners including local charter and nonpublic schools.	**(3 points**) _____
The management plan demonstrates sufficient involvement of all partners including local charter and nonpublic schools.	(**1-2 points) _____**
The management plan demonstrates limited involvement of all partners including local charter and nonpublic schools.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Is there evidence that K-6 science teachers from participating schools will provide input into all stages of program development? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

Evidence exists that extensively delineates procedures to utilize elementary teachers' input through evaluations, group planning, and other input instruments.	**(3 points) _____**
Evidence exists that partially delineates procedures to utilize elementary teachers' input through evaluations, group planning, and other input instruments.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Evidence exists that minimally delineates procedures to utilize elementary teachers' input through evaluations, group planning, and other input instruments.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Is there evidence that the partners share goals, responsibilities, and accountability for the proposed work? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

Substantial evidence exists that partners share common goals, share responsibilities, focus on similar outcomes, and each is accountable for successful implementation of the work.	**(3 points) _____**
Adequate evidence exists that partners share common goals, share responsibilities, focus on similar outcomes, and each is accountable for successful implementation of the work.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Limited evidence exists that partners share common goals, share responsibilities, focus on similar outcomes, and each is accountable for successful implementation of the work.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Does the governance structure describe communication, decision-making and fiscal responsibilities among partners? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

An effective governance structure has been developed that clearly describes methods of communication, the decision-making process, and fiscal responsibilities of each partner.	**(3 points) _____**
An adequate governance structure has been developed that partially describes methods of communication, the decision-making process, and fiscal responsibilities of each partner.	**(1-2 points) _____**
An inadequate governance structure has been developed with unclear methods of communication, the decision-making process, and fiscal responsibilities of each partner.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

II. PROJECT GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND RESEARCHED-BASED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - (47 points possible)

Do the goals focus on improved science achievement in grades K-6 and address training of highly qualified elementary teachers?
(0-5 points)

Choose only one

Program goals are explicitly described as focusing on both: • improved science achievement related to the standards and expectations in science for grades K-6, and • training designed to develop teachers as highly qualified elementary level science teachers with emphasis on increasing knowledge and skill in both content and pedagogy.	**(4-5 points) _____**
Program goals are generally described as focusing on both: • improved science achievement related to the standards and expectations in science for grades K-6, and • training designed to develop teachers as highly qualified elementary level science teachers.	**(2-3 points) _____**
The description of program goals is unclear and/or insufficiently focused on both: • improved science achievement related to the standards and expectations in science for grades K-6, and • training of teachers related to the qualifications of highly qualified teachers.	**(0-1 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are goals/objectives well defined, measurable, and tractable? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

All goals/objectives are well defined, stated in measurable terms, and easily tractable.	**(3-4 points) _____**
Goals/objectives are generally well defined, stated in measurable terms, and tractable.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Goals/objectives are ill-defined, not stated in measurable terms, and/or may not be tractable.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are goals and objectives aligned to state expectations and national standards? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

All goals/objectives are clearly and directly aligned to specific state and national science content and process expectations and standards.	**(3-4 points) _____**
All goals/objectives are generally aligned to state and national science content and process expectations and standards.	**(1-2 points) _____**
All goals/objectives are insufficiently aligned to state and national science content and process expectations and standards.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Do proposed strategies and activities address the established goals? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

Brief but explicit descriptions of all proposed strategies and activities are provided that present the reader with a clear understanding of how the strategies and activities are directly aligned with and serve to meet all goals of the project.	**(3-4 points) _____**
Brief descriptions of all proposed strategies and activities are provided that present the reader with a general understanding of how the strategies and activities are aligned with and serve to meet all goals of the project.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Descriptions of proposed strategies and activities may be omitted or are provided but fail to present the reader with a clear understanding of how strategies and activities are directly aligned with and serve to meet the goals of the project.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Do proposed strategies and activities provide opportunities to model real world applications? (0-5 points)

Choose only one

Descriptions of proposed rigorous science curricular strategies and activities indicate that they are purposely designed to provide explicit opportunities for all students to model real world applications of content and process skills and clearly describe how those applications can be made.	**(4-5 points) _____**
Proposed science curricular strategies and activities are generally designed to provide opportunities for students to model real world applications of content and process skills and describe how those applications can be made.	**(2-3 points) _____**
Proposed science curricular strategies and activities provide little or no opportunity for students to model real world applications of content and process skills and/or generally describe how those applications can be made.	**(0-1 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Is it clear how and when the partnership will carry out the activities? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

The described plan for the implementation of all partnership activities clearly articulates how and when those activities will be carried out and identifies which members of the partnership will be involved.	**(3 points) _____**
The plan for the implementation of all partnership activities generally describes how and when those activities will be carried out and identifies which members of the partnership will be involved.	**(1-2 points) _____**
A plan for the implementation of all partnership activities is unclear as to how and/or when those activities will be carried out and which members of the partnership are to be involved.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are meaningful follow-up activities planned for participants? (0-5 points)

Choose only one

Description of the activities designed as follow-up to academy activities are clear, complete, and detailed. All follow-up activities focus on meeting the identified needs of teachers so that increases in teacher knowledge of content, process skills, and pedagogy and gains in student achievement can be realized.	**(4-5 points) _____**
Description of the activities designed as follow-up to academy activities are clear and adequate information is provided. Most follow-up activities focus on meeting the needs of teachers so that increases in teacher knowledge of content, process skills, and pedagogy and gains in student achievement can be realized	**(2-3 points) _____**
Description of the activities designed as follow-up to academy activities are vague, incomplete, and/or lack detail. Follow-up activities minimally address the needs of teachers.	**(0-1 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are planned activities supported by research on effective professional development practices? (0-5 points)

Choose only one

All planned activities are supported by research on effective professional development practices. Clear and complete descriptions indicate that professional development: • is sustained and on-going; • requires collaborative/co-teaching efforts between all partners through mentoring and coaching activities; • encourages reflection on academy and classroom activities through co-generative dialoguing between all partners; and • is designed to build capacity by creating elementary level teacher leaders that are both excited and well equipped to provide professional development to fellow science teachers at the local and regional levels.	**(4-5 points) _____**
Planned activities are supported by research on effective professional development practices. Descriptions generally indicate that professional development: • is on-going; • requires collaborative/co-teaching efforts between all partners through mentoring and coaching activities; • encourages reflection on academy and classroom activities through co-generative dialoguing between all partners; and • is designed to build capacity by creating elementary level teacher leaders that are equipped to provide professional development to fellow science teachers at the local and regional levels.	**(2-3 points) _____**
Planned activities are supported by research on effective professional development practices. Descriptions do not indicate that professional development: • is on-going; • requires collaborative/co-teaching efforts between all partners; • encourages reflection on academy and classroom activities; and • is designed to build capacity by creating elementary level teacher leaders equipped to provide professional development to fellow science teachers at the local and regional levels.	**(0-1 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are the mentor/coach criteria for selection, role and responsibilities well articulated? (0-5 points)

Choose only one

Description of the criteria for selection, role and responsibilities of mentor/coaches is clear, complete, and detailed. Criteria focus on demonstration of content and pedagogical expertise, and ability to act as a teacher/leader for the grant project and a mentor/coach in support of participant growth. The role and responsibilities of the mentor/coach are clearly articulated as they relate to the planning of, preparation for, and implementation of all components of the grant project, including summer academy, regular mentor/coach activities throughout the school year, and proposed follow-up activities to the academy. Expectations for commitment to the project for all funding years are clearly articulated.	**(4-5 points) _____**
Description of the criteria for selection, role and responsibilities of mentor/coaches is clear and adequate. Criteria focus on demonstration of content and pedagogical expertise, and ability to act as a teacher/leader for the grant project and a mentor/coach in support of participant growth. The role and responsibilities of the mentor/coach are adequately described as they relate to the planning of, preparation for, and implementation of all components of the grant project, including summer academy, regular mentor/coach activities throughout the school year, and proposed follow-up activities to the academy. Expectations for commitment to the project for all funding years are noted.	**(2-3 points) _____**
Description of the criteria for selection, role and responsibilities of mentor/coaches is vague, incomplete, and/or lacks detail. Criteria may include, but not require, demonstration of content and pedagogical expertise, and ability to act as a teacher/leader for the grant project and a mentor/coach in support of participant growth. Description of the role and responsibilities of the mentor/coach are vague, incomplete, and/or lacks detail as they relate to the planning of, preparation for, and implementation of all components of the grant project. Plans for commitment to the project for all funding years are not evident.	**(0-1 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Is the planned professional development activities content focused? (0-7 points)

Choose only one

All planned professional development activities, including academy and follow-up, are explicitly described as focusing on: • increasing the subject matter (content and process) knowledge of science teachers; • enhancing the ability of the teacher to understand and use the challenging Missouri Science Grade-Level Expectations or Common Core State Standards and to develop and/or select appropriate content; • training science teachers to use appropriate curricular practices that are inquiry and concept-based; and • improving and expanding training of science teachers, including teaching skills necessary for the effective integration of technology into the curricula and instruction.	**(6-7 points) _____**
All planned professional development activities, including academy and follow-up, are generally described as focusing on: • increasing the subject matter (content and process) knowledge of science teachers; • enhancing the ability of the teacher to understand and use the challenging Missouri Science Grade-Level Expectations or Common Core State Standards and to develop and/or select appropriate content; • training science teachers to use appropriate curricular practices that are inquiry and concept-based; and • improving and expanding training of science teachers, including teaching skills necessary for the effective integration of technology into the curricula and instruction.	**(4-5 points) _____**
All planned professional development activities, including academy and follow-up, are insufficiently described as focusing on: • increasing the subject matter (content and process) knowledge of science teachers; • enhancing the ability of the teacher to understand and use the challenging Missouri Science Grade-Level Expectations or Common Core State Standards and to develop and/or select appropriate content; • training science teachers to use appropriate curricular practices that are inquiry and concept-based; and • improving and expanding training of science teachers, including teaching skills necessary for the effective integration of technology into the curricula and instruction.	**(2-3 points) _____**
All planned professional development activities, including academy and follow-up, do not focus on: • increasing the subject matter (content and process) knowledge of science teachers; • enhancing the ability of the teacher to understand and use the challenging Missouri Science Grade-Level Expectations or Common Core State Standards and to develop and/or select appropriate content; • training science teachers to use appropriate curricular practices that are inquiry and concept-based; and • improving and expanding training of science teachers, including teaching skills necessary for the effective integration of technology into the curricula and instruction.	**(0-1 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

III. Evaluation and Accountability Plan - (21 points possible)

Does the evaluation plan support DESE priorities and the established goals and objectives of the proposed project? (0-5 points)

Choose only one

Established goals and objectives are rigorously evaluated with appropriate assessment instruments and procedures for data analysis.	**(5 points) _____**
Established goals and objectives are adequately evaluated with appropriate assessment instruments and procedures for data analysis.	**(3-4 points) _____**
Some goals and objectives are evaluated with assessment instruments and procedures for data analysis.	**(1–2 points) _____**
Goals and objectives are minimally addressed in the evaluation.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Does the evaluation plan include personnel with the expertise to implement the evaluation design and clearly define their roles, including plans for external evaluation? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

Personnel have expertise and documented historical evidence of evaluating professional development programs.	**(4 points) _____**
Personnel have expertise and some evidence of evaluating professional development programs.	**(2-3 points) _____**
Personnel have limited expertise and experience in evaluating professional development programs.	**(1 point) _____**
Personnel appear to lack the expertise to evaluate this program.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are important outcomes such as teacher content expertise, impact on student achievement and highly-qualified teachers identified and assessed? (0-5 points)

Choose only one

Important outcomes that impact teacher quality, including content expertise, and student achievement are fully identified and thoroughly assessed.	**(5 points) _____**
Important outcomes that impact teacher quality, including content expertise, and student achievement are identified and assessed.	**(3-4 points) _____**
Important outcomes that impact teacher quality, including content expertise, and student achievement are indirectly identified and assessed.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Important outcomes that impact teacher quality, including content expertise, and student achievement are not addressed.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are procedures for measuring identified outcomes clearly identified? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

Procedures are identified and clearly stated.	**(4 points) _____**
Procedures are identified but lack clarity.	**(2-3points) _____**
Procedures are minimally addressed or very vague.	**(1 point) _____**
Procedures are not addressed.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Will the evaluation contribute to continuous improvement? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

The evaluation drives schools to continuously look for ways to improve.	**(3 points) _____**
The evaluation causes schools to periodically address improvement.	**(2 points) _____**
The evaluation minimally promotes continuous improvement.	**(1 point) _____**
The evaluation does not address continuous improvement.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

IV. Institutional Change and Program Sustainability - (15 points possible)

Is there a clear plan for program continuation after the life of the grant? (0-5 points)

Choose only one

There is strong evidence that the partnership has the ability to maintain the targeted activities during and beyond the length of the project. A brief description clearly explains how the partnership will continue the activities funded under the grant proposal after the original grant period has expired. This plan for program continuation after the life of the grant explicitly: • indicates that all members of the partnership will maintain the targeted activities beyond the length of the project; • describes how the partnership will continue the activities funded under the proposal after the original grant has expired, especially the regional academies and collaborative mentor/coaching experiences; • describes how all partnership members will actively participate in future professional development for teachers not involved in the original grant program throughout district, regional and state-wide science teaching/learning communities; and • describes on-going professional development opportunities to be provided for present project participants after the original grant has expired.	**(4-5 points) _____**
There is sufficient evidence that the partnership has the ability to maintain the targeted activities during and beyond the length of the project. A brief description adequately explains how the partnership will continue the activities funded under the grant proposal after the original grant period has expired. A plan for program continuation after the life of the grant is generally provided that: • indicates that all members of the partnership will maintain the targeted activities beyond the length of the project; • describes how the partnership will continue the activities funded under the proposal after the original grant has expired; • describes how all program participants will actively participate in future professional development for teachers not involved in the grant program throughout district, regional and state-wide teaching/learning communities; and • describes on-going professional development opportunities to be provided for present project participants after the original grant has expired.	**(2-3 points) _____**

There is some evidence that the partnership has the ability to maintain the targeted activities during and beyond the length of the project. A brief description does not adequately explain how the partnership will continue the activities funded under the grant proposal after the original grant period has expired. A plan for program continuation after the life of the grant is provided that is incomplete or fails to: • indicate that all members of the partnership can maintain the targeted activities beyond the length of the project; • describe how the partnership will continue the activities funded under the proposal after the original grant has expired; • describe all program participants will actively participate in future professional development for teachers not involved in the grant program throughout district, regional and state-wide teaching/learning communities; and • describe on-going professional development opportunities to be provided for present project participants after the original grant has expired.	**(0-1 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are obstacles to future funding addressed? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

Probable obstacles to future funding necessary for the sustainability of program activities after the original grant period has expired are anticipated and well-defined. A detailed plan for maintaining present resources and obtaining additional monetary and non-monetary resources is provided. Explicit evidence of resource allocation within the core partner organizations necessary for sustainability is provided.	**(3 points) _____**
Some obstacles to future funding are identified and a detailed plan for obtaining monetary and non-monetary resources needed to sustain the program is provided. Evidence of resource allocation within the core partner organizations necessary for sustainability is generally provided.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Few or no obstacles to future funding are identified and/or a plan for addressing anticipated obstacles is inadequate. Evidence of resource allocation with core partner organizations is lacking.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Are ways to secure additional funding identified? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

A complete and detailed plan for securing additional funding needed for program sustainability and to support institutional change is provided that explicitly identifies all partners responsible for securing such funding, a comprehensive list of sources for additional funding, and the methods to be used in the process of obtaining those funds.	**(3 points) _____**
A plan for securing additional funding needed for program sustainability and to support institutional change is provided that generally identifies the partners responsible for securing such funds, some sources of additional funding, and the methods to be used in the process of obtaining those funds.	**(1-2 points) _____**
The plan for securing additional funding needed for program sustainability and to support institutional change is lacking or inadequately identifies sources of additional funding, the partners responsible for securing such funds, and/or the methods to be used in the process of obtaining those funds.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Do partners provide evidence that the program will lead to change and that changes will be sustainable? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

Partners have provided abundant evidence with specifics explaining that: • the program will lead to positive changes in their institutions, especially gains in the subject matter knowledge and teaching skills of elementary level science teachers and their students' achievement; • the capacity for science education leadership will be increased within the grades K-6 science teaching community and continued growth will be monitored; • each partner will develop institutional policies to support and sustain the new roles and responsibilities of all partnership members during the program and beyond; • plans are detailed for monitoring the on-going impact of the program on teacher efficacy and student achievement.	**(3-4 points) _____**
Partners have provided sufficient evidence with some specifics explaining that: • the program will lead to positive changes in their institutions, especially gains in the subject matter knowledge and teaching skills of elementary level science teachers and their students' achievement; • the capacity for science education leadership will be increased within the grades K-6 science teaching community and continued growth will be monitored; • partners will develop institutional policies to support and sustain the new roles and responsibilities of partnership members during the program and beyond; • plans are detailed for monitoring the on-going impact of the program on teacher efficacy and student achievement.	**(1-2 points) _____**
Partners have provided some evidence, although it may be weak, explaining that: • the program will lead to positive changes in their institutions, especially gains in the subject matter knowledge and teaching skills of elementary level science teachers and their students' achievement; • the capacity for science education leadership will be increased within the grades K-6 science teaching community and continued growth will be monitored; • partners will develop institutional policies to support and sustain the new roles and responsibilities of partnership members during the program and beyond; • plans are detailed for monitoring the on-going impact of the program on teacher efficacy and student achievement.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

V. Budget and Cost Effectiveness (22 points possible)

Is there a budget narrative that clearly delineates cost and details concerning reasonable expenditures? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

The narrative clearly delineates cost and details concerning reasonable expenditures.	**(3 points) _____**
The narrative, with a few exceptions, delineates cost and details concerning reasonable expenditures.	**(2 points) _____**
The narrative partially delineates cost and details concerning reasonable expenditures.	**(1 point) _____**
The narrative does not delineate cost and details concerning reasonable expenditures.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Do budgeted items directly relate to established goals and objectives? (0-4 points)

Choose only one

Budgeted items directly relate to established goals and objectives.	**(4 points) _____**
Budgeted items, to a considerable degree, relate to established goals and objectives.	**(2-3 points) _____**
Budgeted items partially relate to established goals and objectives.	**(1 point) _____**
Budgeted items do not relate to established goals and objectives.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Does the budget reflect the involvement of each partner? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

The budget demonstrates that each partner plays a significant role in the project.	**(3 points) _____**
The budget demonstrates that each partner plays a role in the project.	**(2 points) _____**
The budget demonstrates that some partners play a limited role in the project.	**(1 point) _____**
The budget demonstrates that some partners are excluded in playing a role in the project.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Is the requested budget appropriate to achieve the proposed outcomes with regard to the number of K-6 teachers and students impacted by the proposed activities? (0-3 points)

Choose only one

The proposed budget convincingly addresses and is appropriate to support the number of K-6 teachers and students impacted by proposed activities.	**(3 points) _____**
The proposed budget adequately accommodates the number of K-6 teachers and students impacted by proposed activities.	**(2 points) _____**
The proposed budget partially addresses the number of K-6 teachers and students impacted by proposed activities.	**(1 point) _____**
The proposed budget is not appropriate to support the number of K-6 teachers and students impacted by proposed activities.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

If the funding is requested to support the purchase of technological tools, are these essential to reach the proposed outcomes? (An effective proposal in science will utilize some forms of technology.) (0-3 points)

Choose only one

The requested technological tools are essential to reach the proposed outcomes.	**(3 points) _____**
The requested technological tools will impact the proposed outcomes.	**(2 points) _____**
The requested technological tools will somewhat impact proposed outcomes.	**(1 point) _____**
The requested technological tools will have little impact on the proposed outcomes.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

Does the budget reflect that a major portion of the funds will be directed to support and encourage teacher participation? (0-6 points)

Choose only one

A major portion of the funding in the proposed budget is focused on supporting and encouraging teacher participation.	**(6 points) _____**
Funding in the proposed budget targeted toward supporting and encouraging teacher participation is sufficient.	**(4-5 points) _____**
Funding in the proposed budget targeted toward supporting and encouraging teacher participation is marginal.	**(2-3 points) _____**
Funding in the proposed budget targeted toward supporting and encouraging teacher participation is minor.	**(1 point) _____**
Funding in the proposed budget targeted toward supporting and encouraging teacher participation does not exist.	**(0 points) _____**

Comments and/or Suggestions:

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DEPARTMENT'S GOALS ALIGNMENT RUBRIC FOR COMPETITIVE GRANTS

SECTION I. REWARD, PRIORITY, AND FOCUS LEVEL STATUS

Directions: Select only one Level Status per application. Only one building within a district, consortium or service area needs to be classified in the lowest level to generate the lowest possible level ranking for the district or consortium. The proposal must address an area or areas of needed improvement in the building or district that earned the designation to be awarded maximum points in this section. **The status of a building or district will be determined by the Department.**

	Points Earned	Priority Level Description
Priority Schools (20 points possible)		**Persistently Low-Achieving:** Districts that qualify for Priority School Status have one or more buildings designated as a **Priority School** in the ESEA Flexibility Waiver. And/or their two most recent Annual Performance Reports (APR) are at an unaccredited or provisionally accredited status.
Focus Schools (10 points possible)		**Struggling With Consistency:** K-12 Districts that qualify for Focus School Status have one or more buildings designated as a **Focus School** in the ESEA Flexibility Waiver. And/or met fewer than 12 Standards on their two most recent Annual Performance Reports (APRs). K-8 districts that qualify for Focus School Status have one building designated as a Focus Status School and/or met fewer than 5 Standards on their two most recent Annual Performance Reports (APRs).
Reward Schools (0 points possible)		K-12 Districts that qualify for **Reward Status** have no designated Priority or Focus schools and met greater than 11 Standards on their two most recent Annual Performance Reports (APRs). K-8 districts that qualify for Reward Status have no designated Priority or Focus **Schools** and met greater than 5 Standards on their two most recent Annual Performance Reports (APRs).
Section I. **Total Points Earned** **(20 points possible)**		

SECTION II. PROJECT ALIGNMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT'S GOALS			
Directions: Within the narrative of the proposal, applicants are anticipated to demonstrate alignment with the Department's Goals through one or more planned LEA actions. The reviewer must note the specific location of the LEA action for all scored items. If the reviewer finds multiple LEA actions which qualify for an awarded point, note the location of the first reference. Each LEA action can only receive a maximum of five points. The reviewer is not responsible in this section to determine the anticipated effectiveness or quality of the proposed LEA action, only to identify its inclusion in the application. A "No" designation scores zero points for that LEA action.			
Application Location of LEA Action	**Demonstrated Alignment**	**Points Earned**	**Goal**
	Yes = 5 points		
	□ Yes □No		All Missouri students will graduate college and career ready.
	□ Yes □No	0	~~All Missouri children will enter kindergarten prepared to be successful in school.~~
	□ Yes □No		Missouri will prepare, develop, and support effective educators.
	□ Yes □No	0	~~The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will improve departmental efficiency and operational effectiveness.~~
SECTION III. POINT TOTALS			
Section I. Total Points Earned **(20 points possible)**			
Section II. Total Points Earned **(10 points possible)**			
GRAND TOTAL POINTS EARNED **(30 points possible)**			

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