

**Request for Proposals
School Readiness Grant Program
Quality Enhancement Grant Program
Ansonia Public Schools**

Connecticut General Statutes: Sections 10-16o through 10-16r and Sections 10-16t through 10-16u

Any program that wishes to become a provider of School Readiness services in Ansonia must complete and submit a proposal to the Valley Early Childhood Regional Council for approval. All local RFP submissions will be reviewed by the Valley Early Childhood Regional Council and scored.

All School Readiness providers must be willing and able to comply with all legislated mandates. Please see the web site below for copies of the School Readiness General Policies, which are established by the State Department of Education, Office of Early Childhood: <http://www.ct.gov/oec/generalpolicies> - Click on "School Readiness" to view the latest versions of these policies.

There are two Requests for Proposals available:

School Readiness Grant : Programs located in Ansonia interested in participating in the open-bid process must contact Krista Gambino, Ansonia School Readiness Liaison, on or before March 11, 2019 for a Request for Proposal application and additional information. **Applicants should apply early in order to complete the application by the due date of March 29, 2019.**

Quality Enhancement Grant: The Quality Enhancement Grant Program Local Request for Proposal is available for the July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020 fiscal year. The purpose of the Quality Enhancement Grant is to provide funding for programs that focus on education and early care that address quality standards and/or expand comprehensive services for children and families.

The Valley Early Childhood Regional Council will be seeking qualified programs/individuals to provide job-embedded, evidence based training and/or coaching for early childhood educators located in Ansonia on the following topics:

- Supporting Social-Emotional Needs of Children
- Trauma-Informed Practices
- Supporting Children with Challenging Behaviors
- Effective Supervision
- Intentional Teaching

In addition, the Valley Early Childhood Regional Council is seeking qualified individuals to be a Registered Behavior Technician to provide behavior and related services to students, ages 3-5, in a community childcare setting located in Ansonia. Proposal should include an hourly rate for services. Behavior and related services must be provided by an individual qualified and certified by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB). The proposer will insure that all satisfactory criminal background checks, drug tests and DCF registry checks as required under

law have been completed and will provide the Valley Early Childhood Regional Council proof upon request.

Submission/ Due Date - Eligible applicants must submit an application for the program year July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020. Grant award letters will be issued annually based on the annual appropriation of the Connecticut Legislature and the grant recipient's compliance with the program requirements. **The due date for completed grant applications is 1:00 p.m. on March 29, 2019**

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