

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2017-18

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: FloridaLearns STEM Scholars: Florida's Rural STEM Education Initiative

2. Date of Submission: 01/31/2017

3. House Member Sponsor: Cary Pigman

Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
If answer to 4a is ?NO? skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request (Note that column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2016-17 <i>(If appropriated in 2016-17 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2017-18 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited. Any additional Nonrecurring funding requested to supplement recurring funds in the base will result in the base recurring amount being converted to Nonrecurring .)</i>		
	Column:	A	B	C	D	E
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)</i>	Recurring Base Budget <i>(Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)</i>	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring Request <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D to be CONVERTED to Nonrecurring plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E. These funds will be appropriated non-recurring if funded in the House Budget or the Final Conference Report on the budget.)</i>
Input Amounts:					1,975,717	1,975,717

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2017-18? No

5a. If yes, which state agency?

5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? For example, if the requested issue pertains to services provided to inmates at correctional facilities, the Department of Corrections would be the most appropriate state agency. Department of Education

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Debra Elliott
- b. Organization: Heartland, North East Florida, and Panhandle Area Educational Consortium
- c. Email: debra.elliott@heartlanded.org
- d. Phone #: (863)531-0444

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project (Please retype if same as Requester):

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8. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

- a. Name: Jessica Janaseiwicz
- b. Firm: Rutledge Ecenia
- c. Email: jessica@mixonandassociates.com
- d. Phone #: (850)567-7174

9. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds(Please retype if same as Requestor or Contact):

- a. Name: Heartland, North East Florida, and Panhandle Area Educationa
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Highlands, Putnam, Washington
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Baker, Bradford, Calhoun, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Glades, Gulf, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Liberty, Madison, Monroe, Nassau, Okeechobee, Putnam, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Wakulla, Walton, Washington

10. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds? (Select one)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)

- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government
- University or College
- Other (Please describe) Consortia established in s. 1001.451

11. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

To ensure rural students have STEM educational opportunities that are comparable and equitable to those accessible to students in larger and/or urban districts, FloridaLearns STEM Scholars seeks funding to provide collaborative enrichment activities for students demonstrating STEM aptitude, provide guidance for students in establishing STEM academic/career goals, and capitalize and expand on partnerships to maximize STEM-related experiences, serving 37 of Florida's 67 school districts.

12. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. F) Enter ?0? if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Project Heads: percentage shared by administrators of Heartland Educational Consortium (HEC), North East Florida Educational Consortium (NEFEC), and Panhandle Area Educational Consortium (PAEC)	25,800
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Project Heads: travel to planning and project meetings, activities, and college and business partners	5,000
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	Professional and Support Personnel across 37 districts to: plan, coordinate, and implement all project activities; work collaboratively with project partners; maintain contact with community; maintain records, supplies, and invoices.	844,968
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Supplies for student activities; student transportation; substitute costs; printing; personnel travel to school districts, colleges, and community partners; teacher travel for professional learning and project activities; communications, rental, fees, and equipment.	678,556
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Regional forum development/delivery; Summer Challenge development/delivery; teacher stipends for Summer Challenges, Field Experience, and other work outside of contract days; National Clearinghouse fees; professional development costs.	421,393
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		1,975,717

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (In Question 12, if ?h. Fixed Capital Outlay? was not selected, question 13 is not applicable)

N/A

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

15. Is there any documented show of support for the requested project in the community including public hearings, letters of support, major organizational backing, or other expressions of support?

Yes

15a. Please Describe:

Letters of support: consortia school district superintendents, regional state colleges and universities, STEM industry partners, regional economic development leaders, and parents of FLSS Scholars.

16. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

No

17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

Yes

17a. Describe the target population to be served. Select all that apply to the target population:

- Elderly persons
- Persons with poor mental health
- Persons with poor physical health
- Jobless persons
- Economically disadvantaged persons
- At-risk youth
- Homeless
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically disabled
- Drug users (in health services)
- Preschool students
- Grade school students
- High school students
- University/college students
- Currently or formerly incarcerated persons
- Drug offenders (in criminal Justice)
- Victims of crime

Other (Please describe)

17b. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

- < 25
- 25-50
- 51-100
- 101-200
- 201-400
- 401-800
- >800

18. What benefits or outcomes will be realized by the expenditure of funds requested? (Select all that applies)

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience	Increased student awareness of STEM post-secondary programs of study and career opportunities; increased exposure to college campuses; increased collaborative opportunities with diverse populations	Pre- and Post-survey of students and parents at start and completion of program; anecdotal data including surveys upon completion of student activities
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education	Increased enrollment of students in rigorous STEM courses; increased participation and knowledge in STEM content through participation; increased teacher quality through professional learning	Student academic histories and transcripts; anecdotal data including feedback surveys and counselor discussions
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and		

wildlife quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual?s economic self sufficiency		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2017-18 from all sources of funding (Enter ?0? if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total (Automatically Calculates)	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations	1,975,717	100.0%	N/A

Project Request:			
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	0	0.0%	No
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	1,975,717	100%	

20. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

Yes

20a. How much state funding would be requested after 2017-18 over the next 5 years?

- <1M
- 1-3M
- >3-10M
- >10M

20b. How many additional years of state support do you expect to need for this project?

- 1 year
- 2 years
- 3 years
- 4 years
- >= 5 years

20c. What is the total project cost for all years including all federal, local, state, and any other funds? Select the single answer which best describes the total project cost. If funds requested are for ongoing services or for recurring activities, select ?ongoing activity?.

- ongoing activity ? no total cost
- <1M
- 1-2M
- >2-3M
- >3-10M

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