K-12 Learning Acceleration Grants

Overview

To address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students' educational progress and well-being, Governor Glenn Youngkin announced in March 2023 the availability of \$30 million in Learning Acceleration Grants to be used for qualifying education services.

VDOE is currently accepting applications from the following:



- Virginia parents of school-age children seeking grants to provide tutoring.
- <u>Tutors and providers</u> of assistive technologies and specialized educational therapy services and supports.

Grant Amounts & Awards

K-12 Learning Acceleration grants totaling \$30 million — payments will be made directly to the selected provider — will be awarded as follows:

- \$1,500 for each qualifying student. Qualifying students include any public, private, parochial or homeschool student in grades K-12 residing in Virginia and meeting the school-age requirements in §22.1-1, Code of Virginia.
- \$3,000 for each qualifying student whose family income is verified at 300% or less of the <u>federal poverty</u> level.

Qualifying Education Services Include:

- Tutoring in core content areas (English reading/writing, mathematics, science and history/social science) and foreign languages required to meet graduation requirements. Tutoring may be in-person, virtual or hybrid, and in one-on-one, small group or large-group settings.
- Purchasing of assistive technologies specified in a child's Individualized Education Plan or 504 Plan.
- Specialized educational therapy services and supports, including speech language therapy, specialized reading instruction and other services provided by a licensed practitioner.

For Parents Seeking K-12 Learning Acceleration Grants

Virginia parents are now able to access the K-12 Learning Acceleration grant application through a secure online portal. For assistance and additional information go to <u>What documents do I need to apply?</u>

Once approved, parents will have access to a list of vetted, pre-approved teachers as tutors, tutoring services or providers of assistive technologies and may make their selection.

• Frequently Asked Questions for Parents

? For questions regarding Virginia Department of Education K-12 Learning Acceleration Grants program policy, please contact FACTS at 866-441-4637 or VDOE at k12grants@doe.virginia.gov.



\$1,500 Standard Application



\$3,000 Income-Qualified Application

For Interested Teachers as Tutors and Education Service Providers

For assistance entering and/or proceeding through the vendor application process, or to check on the status of an application, please contact ClassWallet at help@classwallet.com or 877-969-5536.

• <u>Frequently Asked Questions for Tutors and Assistive</u>
<u>Technology/Educational Services Providers</u>



Requirements

- Tutors who are currently licensed teachers in any endorsement area in any state.
- Tutors who were previously licensed teachers in any endorsement area in any state whose licenses expired but were not revoked.
- Tutors who are currently employed as instructional staff at any accredited private or parochial school.
- Tutors who are currently employed as instructional staff at any accredited college or university.

- Evidence-based tutoring and learning centers.
- Providers of assistive technologies for students with disabilities.
- Providers of specialized educational therapy services and supports, including speech language therapy, specialized reading instruction and other services provided by a licensed practitioner.

Vendor registration

Tutors and providers of educational supports and services who wish to participate as vendors can register and submit an application at the <u>K-12 Learning Acceleration Grants ClassWallet vendor application</u>. Tutors and other service providers can expect to hear within a week of completing the ClassWallet application whether they have been approved to participate, or whether additional information is needed to process their application.