

21st CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS
January 2015 Project Director and New Grantee
Questions & Answers

- Q:** According to 21st CCLC funding guidelines, the Steven's Amendment is required to be on all printed materials, websites, etc. paid with these funds. Is this a requirement for grantees?
- A:** **Yes, this is a requirement for all materials printed and produced with 21st CCLC funds. All announcements and other materials publicizing this program must include statements as to the amount and proportion of federal funding involved.**
- Q:** Can you discuss the indicator regarding serving the lowest performing students? What happens to students as they progress out of the lowest performing students?
- A:** **This indicator is determined and used at the time of your initial grant application.**
- Q:** If you are a community based agency, what organization can inspect the facility for ADA certification?
- A:** **Please refer to the building code compliance inspector in your community.**
- Q:** Technical assistance webinar with PPICS information to ensure we are collecting the information we need for monitoring and use for our evaluation.
- A:** **There are several PPICS webinars, documents and presentation archives available to you. Please refer to the most recent that are located on the SEDL Illinois Quality Afterschool website. <http://www.sedl.org/afterschool/iga/>**
- Q:** Are grantees programs required to contract with a third party evaluator? If not, evaluation can be done internally. Are there restrictions around which staff can take on the role? (i.e. not the person in charge of collecting the data)
- A:** **Grantees are required to produce a local evaluation (per grant award) on an annual basis. Grantees may contract with an external evaluator or choose to use an internal evaluator. If an internal evaluator is chosen, it must be a person who does not work or supervise directly within the program. The person responsible for the evaluation should be someone who is capable of producing an unbiased analysis and evaluation.**
- Q:** If a student comes 15 days to summer school and 15 or more days in after school days, can you count them as 30 days for the year?
- A:** **Referencing the most recent federal reporting requirements (which we are aware may be changing), regular school days and summer school days are separate and do not combine when counting student attendance. They are not combined to create the 30 days, etc.**

Q: Is it allowable to purchase laptops to utilize for attendance/data collection, etc. The district will be providing access to students for student use.

A: **Technology, such as laptops are allowable for student and instructional use only. This must be a portion of the budget and outlined explicitly within your budget and IWAS application pages. Technology must be approved by ISBE prior to purchase.**