

# FACT SHEET



## Title IV Part B

### 21st Century Schools – Community Learning Centers

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND TITLE SERVICES

#### Definition

A community learning center offers academic and youth development opportunities to students and their families when school is not in session; before school, after school, holidays, summer recess, or other out-of-school times. here.

#### Purpose

The purpose of this program is to establish community learning centers that provide students with academic enrichment opportunities along with activities designed to complement students' regular classroom academic programs during out-of-school hours.

Authorized under Title IV, Part B, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), most recently amended by Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015, the law's specific purposes are to:

- Provide opportunities for academic enrichment, including tutorial services to help students, particularly students in high-poverty areas and those who attend low-performing schools, to meet State and local student performance standards in core academic subjects such as reading and math.
- Offer students a broad array of additional services, programs, and activities, such as:
  - youth development,
  - service learning,
  - nutrition and health education,
  - drug and violence prevention,
  - counseling,
  - art and music,
  - physical fitness and wellness programs,
  - technology education,
  - financial literacy,
  - environmental literacy,
  - art and music,
  - physical fitness and wellness programs,
  - technology education,
  - financial literacy,
  - environmental literacy,
  - math, science, career and technical education programs,
  - internships or apprenticeships,
  - programs for in-demand industry areas,
  - character education.
- Offer families of students served by community learning centers opportunities for active, meaningful engagement in their children's education through literacy and related educational development.



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### Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for a 21st CCLC grant, programs must meet the following requirement:

- At least 40% of the students qualify for free or reduced cost meals.

Any public or private organization is eligible to apply for the 21st CCLC grant. Examples of eligible agencies and organizations include, but are not limited to: LEAs, non-profit agencies, city or county government agencies, faith-based organizations, institutions of higher education, and for-profit corporations.

### Grant Funding and Competition

Grants are funded for a period of three to five years. The minimum award amount is \$50,000 per year.

The decision to fund a new competition is generally made in late January and is dependent on the availability of federal funds.

Current information can be found on the following websites:

- KSDE –<https://www.ksde.gov/Default.aspx?tabid=740>
- Kansas Enrichment Network -<https://kansasenrichment.net/>

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