Formula Funding Available

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TO THE ADMINISTRATOR ADDRESSED:

SUBJECT: 2010-2011 Texas Fitness Now Grant Application

The application for the 2010-2011 Texas Fitness Now grant is now available via the Grants Opportunities page of the Texas Education Agency's (TEA's) website at http://Burleson.tea.state.tx.us/GrantOpportunities/forms for viewing and downloading.

Purpose of Program

The purpose of this program is to continue to provide grants to school districts and openenrollment charter schools in the support of in-school physical education and fitness programs for students in grades 6, 7, and 8. The goal of this program is to aid in reducing childhood obesity and Type II diabetes. Texas Fitness Now places specific emphasis on the importance of physical education and fitness for students in grades 6, 7, and 8 as the foundation for a life of healthy choices.

Eligible Applicants

The 2010-2011 Texas Fitness Now grant is a continuation grant. Local education agencies (LEAs) can only apply on behalf of campuses that were eligible for funding in 2009-2010.

Project Period

Plan for a project starting date of no earlier than September 1, 2010, and an ending date of no later than August 31, 2011.

Allocations

To view allocations for the 2010-2011 Texas Fitness Now grant, go online to the TEA Grant Resources website at http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=2147487920&menu_id=951. Then select the "State Entitlements" link under Formula Funding Grant Resources.

Deadline to Apply

Applications must be received in TEA's Division of Formula Funding by Thursday, December 9, 2010, at 5:00 p.m. Central Time. TEA will not accept a postmark as proof of receipt.

How to Apply

Eligible applicants may locate and download the application from TEA's Grant Opportunities

website at http://burleson.tea.state.tx.us/GrantOpportunities/forms. In the "Search Options" box, select the name of the grant from the drop-down list. Scroll down to the "Application and Support Information" section to view all documents that pertain to this application.

Reporting Deadlines

Reporting deadlines for the 2010-2011 Texas Fitness Now grant are listed in the table below. LEAs that are awarded grants are responsible for meeting all required deadlines. Failure to meet deadlines may result in loss of funds and could cause the LEA to be identified as "high risk."

Grant Program	Grant Period	Final Expenditure Report Due	Revised Final Expenditure Report Due	Program Evaluation Report Due
2010-2011 Texas Fitness Now	09/01/2010 - 08/31/2011	09/30/2011	10/31/2011	 Interim Progress Report due 02/28/2011 Final Evaluation Report due 06/30/2011

Information and Assistance

For program information, please contact the Division of Health and Safety at (512) 463-3070.

For *funding* information, please contact the Division of Formula Funding, (512) 463-8525, or visit the TEA Grant Opportunities website at http://burleson.tea.state.tx.us/GrantOpportunities/forms/.

Sincerely,

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