

# EQUITABLE ACCESS GRANT GUIDANCE

## **PURPOSE OF FUNDING:**

Equitable Access is one of two 21<sup>st</sup> Century optional grants that are available on a competitive basis. The funds are to be utilized to ensure equitable access to and participation in 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC programs to ensure that students who are not getting the full benefit of the 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC Programs (due to their limited English language proficiency and/or learning or behavioral health issues) will receive the intensive academic and behavioral support they need.

The grant is to service ExCEL After School Program students who need extra academic/behavioral support through a concrete, well developed tutorial program. The grant is **not** intended to hire additional program leaders, to reduce student ratio or for homework completion.

## **SITE FUNDING ALLOCATION:**

Each funded school site will receive a **\$21,250 budget** for the school year to provide allowable services through June 30<sup>th</sup>. **During the school year, funds must be utilized for services during After School Hours ONLY. Funds can be used in ExCEL summer supplemental programs operating during the month of June.**

## **Sites receiving Equitable Access grants may select from the following options for use of funds after school**

- Mental Health Collaborative Program (MHCP):** Direct mental health services for students including: support groups, parent/caregiver workshops, case management, and one-on-one counseling
- Targeted academic support** in small groups for EL students provided by Certificated Teachers or community based organization (CBO) staff
- Targeted academic support** for students with intensive academic needs (who need more structure due to special learning needs or special behavior needs) provided by Certificated Teachers or community based organization (CBO) staff
- Up to a maximum of \$950 per school site can be spent on **related supplies/curriculum**

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## Allocation of Funds:

Funds can be allocated for 1) SFUSD staff to support the ExCEL After School Program students and/or 2) contracted to a CBO to provide support to ExCEL after school program students.

### District funds can be used for the following:

- FTE Position – NOTE: the staff person must provide services in the after school program only. Funds cannot supplement the school day.
- Stipend Position
- Extended hours for Certificated Teachers – including prep time
- SRPA for Classified Employees
- MHCP Position
- A maximum of \$950 for supplies/curriculum to support the after school program. *Funds may not be used for school day supplies.*

### Funds contracted to a CBO may be used for the following:

- Tutoring programs (Sylvan, Reading Partners, etc.)
- Intentional hiring (candidates with a Master's degree or extensive resume reflecting strong skills and experience in specific academic area – math, literacy, social/emotional support).
- Social Worker (connecting with the Mental Health Department)
- A maximum of \$950 for supplies/curriculum to support the after school program. *Funds may not be used for school day supplies.*