

To: Superintendent Addressed

From: Rodney Watson, Ph.D.

Date: December 3, 2024

Re: TEA Grant Opportunities: Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities (LASO) Cycle 3 and Strong Foundations Supports

The application process for the **Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities (LASO) Cycle 3 grant will close on December 13, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.** The LASO Cycle 3 grant is TEA's streamlined, consolidated grant application that strategically batches grant funding designed to support continued learning acceleration and innovative opportunities. Specifically, this grant application focuses on three of the five learning acceleration strategies:

1. Curriculum and Instruction
 - Strong Foundations Planning
 - Strong Foundations Implementation
 - Strong Foundations Implementation School Improvement PLC Supports
 - Instructional Leadership
 - Technology Lending Grant
 - Blended Learning Grant
 - Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles
2. More Time
 - Additional Days School Year Summer Planning and Execution Program
3. Innovative School Models
 - School Action Fund
 - Early College High School (ECHS)
 - Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH)

Please visit TEA's [LASO Cycle 3](#) website for detailed information about these grant programs including recordings, slide decks, and additional information.

The Region 4 Literacy and Language team and the Mathematics team are approved vendors for TEA's Strong Foundations Planning and Implementation Supports grant. This grant provides support to LEAs as they develop a strong instructional framework for literacy and/or mathematics and prepares LEAs to either create a plan for instructional materials adoption to select high-quality instructional materials (HQIM) or supports LEAs in planning for implementation with HQIM that they may already have.

If you have any questions about this information, please contact Jennifer Brock, EdD, Chief, Center of Excellence in Teaching and Learning at jbrock@esc4.net, or 713.744.6355.