

**Mississippi Development**  
**Authority**

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS' COVID-19**  
**ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM**  
**APPLICATION**  
**(Reimbursement Pursuant to Treasury Per**  
**Student Guidance)**

**August 2020**

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Full Legal Name of the Eligible Independent School (including any DBA's or Trade Names):

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School Designation:  Primary  Intermediate  Secondary  University

Physical Address of the Eligible Independent School Headquarters:

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Physical Address of the Eligible Independent School Educational Facility (same as HQ  ):

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Eligible Independent School Primary Contact (POC): \_\_\_\_\_

Eligible Independent School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Eligible Independent School Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the School's Accrediting Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Type (Please check box):  State  Regional  National

Dates of any interruption in learning incurred by the school: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide a narrative demonstrating the entity's need for grant funding from the Program, along with a description of the purpose for which grant funds will be used to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the operation of the entity and its delivery of instruction.

Reimbursement of eligible expenses under the administrative convenience provision allowed by Treasury that presumes that expenses up to \$500.00 per elementary or secondary school student to be eligible expenses (such that schools do not need to document the specific use of funds up to that amount).

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Name of the representative with legal authority to bind the entity:

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Has the eligible Independent School applied for and/or received any funds from federal, state, or other programs covering costs related to COVID-19?  Yes (please list)  No

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If the Eligible Independent School attests that other funds were received (above), does the Eligible Independent School have ongoing Eligible Expenses not covered by those funds received to date?

(check one)  Yes  No

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In addition to providing answers to these questions, the entity must certify by a representative with authority to bind the entity that it understands and agrees to certain required provisions, including the following statements:

- That the Eligible Independent School understands and agrees to follow and obey all provisions of the Program, including but not limited to, the Independent Schools Act and the Rules;
- That if the Eligible Independent School is found to be fully or partially noncompliant with any Program requirements, it will be required to return all or a portion of the monies received from the Program, as well as being subject to additional civil and criminal penalties;
- That the Eligible Independent School certifies and acknowledges that by accepting reimbursement for Eligible Expenses under the Program, it may be subject to additional monitoring, oversight, and/or auditing by the U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of the Inspector General, the Mississippi Office of the State Auditor, the Mississippi Development Authority, or such other federal or state agencies with authority to conduct such reviews;
- That the Eligible Independent School is operating within and is located in the State of Mississippi;
- That the Eligible Independent School did not receive and has not been awarded reimbursement under any other federal, state, or other program for the Eligible Expenses that it is submitting for reimbursement from Program funds;
- The Application must be signed under penalty of perjury by a representative of the entity with authority to bind it that all responses and statements are true and correct and are not false, fraudulent, or materially misleading;
- All supporting information requested in the Application must be provided. The failure of an entity to fully complete this Application and/or to agree to the required certifications and representations will result in the Application to be disqualified;
- Per guidelines from the U.S. Treasury Department, it will be presumed that a school will incur up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per enrolled student in Eligible Expenditures exclusive of the following costs: (1) expanding broadband capacity; (2) hiring new teachers; (3) developing an online curriculum; (4) acquiring computers and similar digital devices; (5) acquiring and installing additional ventilation or other air filtering equipment; (6) incurring additional transportation costs; or (7) incurring additional costs of providing meals. Therefore, if the Eligible Independent School is using its certified enrollment to receive a grant in the amount of \$500.00 per student, the Eligible Independent School specifically agrees and certifies that it has not and will not seek reimbursement from any source for any costs or expenses it incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic except for those seven areas set forth as exclusive Eligible Expenses.
- That the Eligible Independent School certifies that all of its costs being submitted for reimbursement were incurred by it from March 1, 2020 to December 1, 2020.

The Application must be signed under penalty of perjury by a representative of the school with authority to bind it that all responses and statements are true and correct are not false, fraudulent, or materially misleading.

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All supporting information requested in the Application must be provided. The failure of the school to fully complete this Application and/or to agree to the required certifications and representations will result in the Application to be disqualified.

**The Eligible Independent School and designated Representative of the School by affixing his or her signature below, certifies that the previous statements are understood:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*(digital signatures accepted)*