

Oconee RESA to Host

Striving Reader Comprehensive Literacy (SRCL) Grant Awareness Session

DATE: Tuesday, September 2, 2014

TIME: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

LOCATION: Oconee RESA Media Center

AUDIENCE: District Personnel

The Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) is pleased to announce the upcoming cohort four sub-grant competition for the Striving Reader Comprehensive Literacy (SRCL) Grant.

This funding is unique in that it supports all learners from birth through grade 12. Project objectives must include development of a system for providing evidence-based professional learning at all levels, ensuring that teachers use data to provide instruction targeted to the needs of students, and implementing technology applications that enhance literacy instruction and support student engagement with text.

An award (To Be Determined) will be granted to *eligible* Local Education Agencies (LEAs) as well as non-profit providers of early learning services and professional learning to improve literacy instruction for all children. Applications in the form of district and school literacy plans are submitted for review by a panel of literacy experts to determine award recipients.

Previous SRCL grantees are ineligible unless they have another feeder pattern for which they can apply. The sub-grant competition is open to any LEA with 35% or more of their students qualifying for free and reduced meals. The list of eligible LEAs is attached.

Awareness sessions will begin August 21, 2014, with a webinar at 1:30. The link for the webinar will be sent out over the SRCL listserv and posted on our GaDOE website on the address below. Face to face awareness sessions will be held regionally at RESAs and upon request from local districts. The session schedule is attached. An explanation of the award, the timeline, and highlights of the grant will be covered at each meeting. Technical support can also be requested on an individual basis. A listserv has been set up for future grant related communications. Anyone interested can join the listserv by emailing Julie Morrill at the address below.

The application for funding is expected to be released on August 22, 2014. The application will be available for download on our GaDOE website at <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Curriculum-and-Instruction/Pages/Literacy-Reading.aspx>. Final grant applications will be submitted in our online grant management system by December 5, 2014 by 5:00 PM.

If you have questions, please contact Julie Morrill at (706) 473-3159 or jmorrill@doe.k12.ga.us.

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