



Indiana Department of Education

Dr. Katie Jenner, Secretary of Education

To: Superintendents and Principals

From: Diana Smith, Director of Digital Learning

Date: Friday, August 11, 2023

Subject: AI-Powered Platform Pilot Grant Application

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) invites any accredited school corporation or school organization to apply for a one-time competitive grant opportunity to fund a pilot of an artificial intelligence (AI) powered platform of their choosing. This opportunity will support a one-year implementation.

There are various AI platforms that utilize large language models that educators are exploring for use in PK-12 learning environments. These platforms can provide a variety of support to both students and teachers. This competitive grant opportunity will fund the subscription fees and professional development support for student high dosage tutoring and reducing teacher workload through the use of an AI platform. The vision for this opportunity is to focus on a cohort of teachers and students in the integration of an AI platform. It might be used to support a specific building, grade level, subject area, or student population. Schools are encouraged to focus on student needs in response to [academic impact data](#).

Corporations applying will be required to choose a vendor who meets the criteria outlined in [this document](#). Grant awardees must agree to the assurances outlined in the application. Non-public schools are required to apply with a local public school corporation serving as a fiscal agent.

Schools will be selected based on design of a pilot implementation plan that narrates the following:

- The implementation of the platform through a thoughtful blended learning model.
- The rationale for chosen participants and potential impact on student learning.
- A proposed budget.

Access the [AI-Powered Platform Grant Application here](#).

Important Dates:

- **Grant Opens:** Friday, August 11
- **Grant Information Session:** [Tuesday, August 15, at 2 p.m. ET](#)
- **Grant Application Deadline:** Friday, September 8, at 5 p.m. ET
- **Grant Award Notification:** Friday, September 22
- **Grant Kickoff Meeting:** Wednesday, September 27, 1:30 p.m. ET

Contact IDOE's [Office of Digital Learning](#) with any questions regarding this grant opportunity.