

Charter Institute at Erskine

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Submission: Solicitation for New State-Funded SROs, Training, and Equipment

Department: Finance

Due Date: 11/30/2022

Details: The South Carolina Department of Public Safety's Office of Highway Safety and Justice Programs (OHSJP) will be releasing a new School Resource Officer (SRO) Program solicitation, which will accept requests for the following:

- New state-funded SRO positions, including training and equipment for those positions, in schools that do not have an SRO;

The application will consist of two parts: Part 1. The school will complete a brief application form, to be signed by the school leader, which will include:

-Contact information for the school and the law enforcement agency;

-A memo from your local law enforcement agency that indicates the agency is able to assign a full-time SRO to the school within 90 days from the award of funding. Training and equipment details or costs will not be required to be provided by the agency. Part 2. The Institute will work with your law enforcement agency to build a budget request.

Please work with your local law enforcement agency to pre-plan for the solicitation. Please note that the school will not automatically receive the funding by completing the application. The Institute will keep you posted on when the application becomes available. Please reach out to John Li, 803-849-2459, if you have any questions.

Submission: October 2022 Journal Entry Upload

Department: Finance

Due Date: 11/30/2022

Details: As outlined in Section 8.7, Monthly and quarterly reporting, of the Charter Contract, the School shall be responsible for entering a monthly upload of all financial transactions in the format prescribed by the Sponsor by the 15th day of the subsequent month and a yearly upload of the audited adjustments by November 15. In addition, the School shall be responsible for submitting a quarterly financial statement in the format prescribed by the Sponsor by the 15th day of the month following the end of each quarter. The Parties agree that it is the responsibility of the Sponsor to use any financial information it obtains, including reports and audits, to monitor the fiscal condition and compliance of the School.

Submission: MLP Professional Development

Department: Title III ESOL

Due Date: 11/30/2022

Details: Please submit the Profession Development provided to the teachers at your school related to the ML Program.

Submission: EOC Precode Check Winter 22-23

Department: Assessment

Due Date: 11/28/2022

Details: Attached you will find your school's file as pulled from precode for Winter EOC. Once you have confirmed the information is correct, there is one question for you to answer to confirm that check. Contact hholliday@erskinecharters.org with questions.

Announcement: STC Mid Year Training - Face to Face

Contact Person: Heather Holliday

Department(s): Assessment, PowerSchool and IT

Start Date: 10/03/2022

End Date: 11/15/2022

Details: This face to face training will have specialized sessions for STCs as well as cross functional training with PS personnel. The meeting will be on Nov 15 from 10-4 at the Institute offices in Columbia. Contact hholliday@erskinecharters.org with STC questions.

Announcement: Teaching Fellows Application Information

Contact Person: Robbie Anderson

Department(s): Human Resources and Benefits

Start Date: 10/06/2022

End Date: 12/01/2022

Details: The SC Teaching Fellows Application window is October 1st- December 1st.

Here's what you need to know about the Teaching Fellows Program.

- Includes enrichment programs, professional development, and leadership opportunities
- Supplies up to a \$6,000 fellowship annually for four years (as long as the student is in the process of completing a degree leading to initial teacher certification and meets the criteria to continue in the Program)
- Requires participants to agree to teach in a South Carolina public school one year for each year funding is received and sign a Promissory Note along with a surety

Teaching Fellows must attend one of the eleven Teaching Fellows Institutions. These include Anderson University, Charleston Southern University, Clemson University, Coastal Carolina University, College of Charleston, Francis Marion University, Lander University, USC Aiken, USC Columbia, USC Upstate, and Winthrop University.

To apply for Teaching Fellows, a student must be:

- a United States citizen or will be an eligible non-citizen under State Residency statutes at the time of high school graduation (Please note - students categorized as Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) are not eligible for Teaching Fellows.)
- a legal resident of South Carolina (Please note - The Teaching Fellows Institution will verify residency after a student has been offered an award.)
- a high school senior or a junior who is graduating early

Here's what you need to know about the Teaching Fellows application:

- Kaleidoscope hosts the application.
- The Kaleidoscope system saves students' applications as they move through the process. This allows the student to complete the application over an extended period, as necessary. Students must use the same email address to create the application and log in.
- Students may edit their application, even after submission, as long as the edits occur before 11:59 PM on December 1, 2022.
- Students will be asked to enter their school counselor's name and email address during the application process. Once entered, the Kaleidoscope system will email the counselor and provide instructions on creating an account and uploading a transcript. Students can also download and deliver a letter to their counselor. Transcripts will be automatically attached to the student's application.
- Students will be asked to enter their references' names and email addresses during the application process. Once entered, the Kaleidoscope system will email each reference and provide instructions on creating an account and completing the reference survey. Students can also download and deliver a letter to their reference. Reference surveys will be automatically attached to the student's application.
- Applicants will have access to their personalized Kaleidoscope dashboard, where they MUST monitor the submission of their transcripts and reference surveys.

- Students must complete the application online via the Kaleidoscope system.

Announcement: CTE Meeting 2 for 22-23

Contact Person: Heather Holliday

Department(s): CTE

Start Date: 10/14/2022

End Date: 11/14/2022

Details: Mandatory training for all Career and Technical Education leads at the school level via zoom November 14 from 2-4. Contact Heather Holliday or Christy Junkins with questions. Zoom link for browser: <https://erskinecharters.zoom.us/j/86519564601?pwd=cklWbXhObTAvdHRCVDFVkovSm1MUT09>.

Announcement: PowerSchool & Winter Diploma Updates

Contact Person: Jason Jones

Department(s): PowerSchool and IT

Start Date: 10/17/2022

End Date: 11/16/2022

Details: Here are a few reminders for Winter Diplomas. See attached.

Announcement: GT endorsement courses opportunity--FREE!!

Contact Person: Heather Holliday

Department(s): Gift and Talented

Start Date: 10/19/2022

End Date: 11/18/2022

Details: From the SCDE: "Please find attached grant-funded GT endorsement courses through Converse. These are tuition free for current SC teachers. Note the advanced courses that are offered for teachers who are already GT endorsed." Please share this information with anyone in your school who is seeking GT endorsement or state renewal credits. Contact hholliday@erskinecharters.org with questions.

Announcement: Joint 504, MTSS, SPED Roundtable

Contact Person: Sarah Love

Department(s): MTSS, Special Education and 504

Start Date: 11/01/2022

End Date: 11/17/2022

Details: A Joint 504, MTSS, and SPED Coordinator Roundtable will be held on November 17, 2022. More information will be sent to the all Coordinators prior to the meeting.

Announcement: New STC Academy December--Mid Year

Contact Person: Heather Holliday

Department(s): Assessment

Start Date: 11/01/2022

End Date: 12/12/2022

Details: This meeting will focus on: 1--Lessons learned; 2--How to move forward; and 3--Celebration. The meeting will be via Zoom for all first and second year STCs, but any member of the testing staff are welcome to attend. Contact hholliday@erskinecharters.org with questions.

Zoom link for your browser: <https://erskinecharters.zoom.us/j/83170457464?pwd=QXBuYWI5VnRkMG5ITzZjMVYrS1Zkdz09>

Announcement: Parent Survey Results from Spring 2022

Contact Person: Heather Holliday

Department(s): Accountability

Start Date: 11/01/2022

End Date: 12/01/2022

Details: Attached are files from the SCDE which contain information from the parent responses from the Spring 2022 Climate Survey. These results are not part of your overall report card rating, but are included as information. You will also find one file available to all that contains the Institute overall results for point of reference for you. Please contact hholliday@erskinecharters.org with questions.

Announcement: Precode Manual 2.1 updated

Contact Person: Heather Holliday

Department(s): Assessment, PowerSchool and IT

Start Date: 11/02/2022

End Date: 12/02/2022

Details: The SCDE has released an update of the testing precode manual. We will discuss changes at our November 15 in person meeting. Feel free to download and save or print as you feel would help you. Contact hholliday@erskinecharters.org with questions.

Announcement: Technology updates for WIDA ACCESS Spr 23 testing

Contact Person: Heather Holliday

Department(s): Assessment, PowerSchool and IT

Start Date: 11/02/2022

End Date: 12/02/2022

Details: Please see the attached memo regarding needed updates regarding technology for the Spring 2023 WIDA ACCESS testing and share with appropriate staff. Contact hholliday@erskinecharters.org with questions.

Announcement: SAP Update November 3, 2022

Contact Person: Kristin Olcott

Department(s): State and Academic Programs

Start Date: 11/03/2022

End Date: 11/17/2022

Details: N/A

Announcement: New MLP School Coordinator Training

Contact Person: Sally Fickling

Department(s): Title III ESOL

Start Date: 11/07/2022

End Date: 12/08/2022

Details: NEW MLP School Coordinator Training will be held on December 8, 2022. Further information will be sent to school MLP Coordinators.

Announcement: PowerSchool Monthly meeting

Contact Person: Jason Jones

Department(s): PowerSchool and IT

Start Date: 11/07/2022

End Date: 11/18/2022

Details: The PowerSchool monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday Nov. 15th and will be on-site!

Announcement: WIDA ACCESS STC Test training

Contact Person: Heather Holliday

Department(s): Assessment, PowerSchool and IT

Start Date: 11/15/2022

End Date: 01/12/2023

Details: All STCs and Title III Coordinators should attend this meeting for training for the upcoming WIDA ACCESS testing. We will cover how to double check coding for who should test, scheduling of tests, required tests, accommodations, and the DRC platform. Please contact hholliday@erskinecharters.org with questions. The training will be via Zoom from 10-12.

Zoom link for browser: <https://erskinecharters.zoom.us/j/82919691445?pwd=aIR6TGdHMUovWFZXRTBzQmdBTzITUT09>