

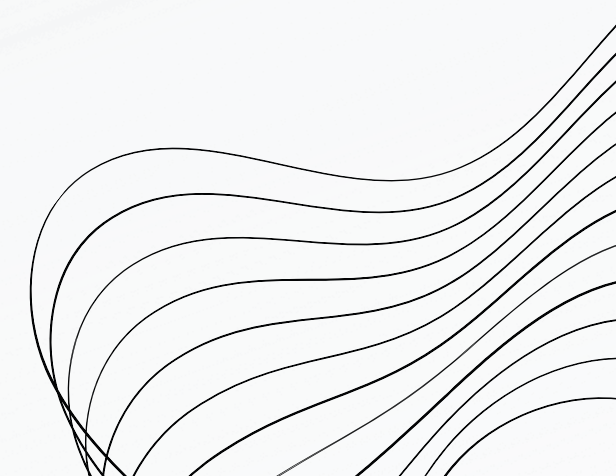


GRANT GUIDELINES OVERVIEW
JANUARY 7, 2025

**KINDERGARTEN
TRANSITION
PROGRAM
GRANT**



Health & Human Services



OVERVIEW



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INTRODUCTIONS

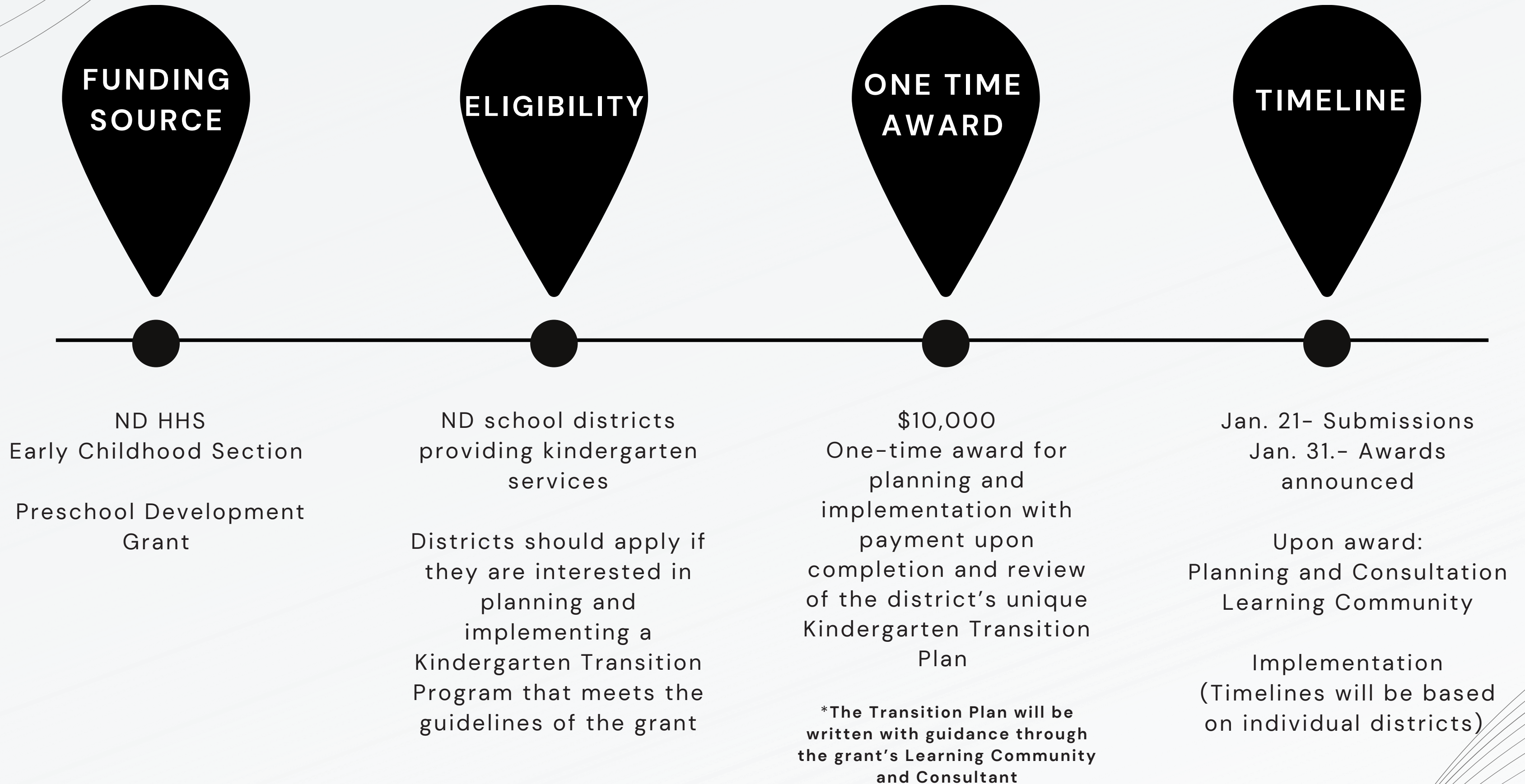
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GRANT OVERVIEW



APPLICATION

Kindergarten Transitions Grant Program Application

DEMOGRAPHICS AND NEED

Summary of community and information related to the target audiences

CONDITIONS FOR SUCCESS

Potential for success, areas of growth, ability to merge program into the current system, etc.

BUDGET

Staffing, resources, training, equipment, and supplies

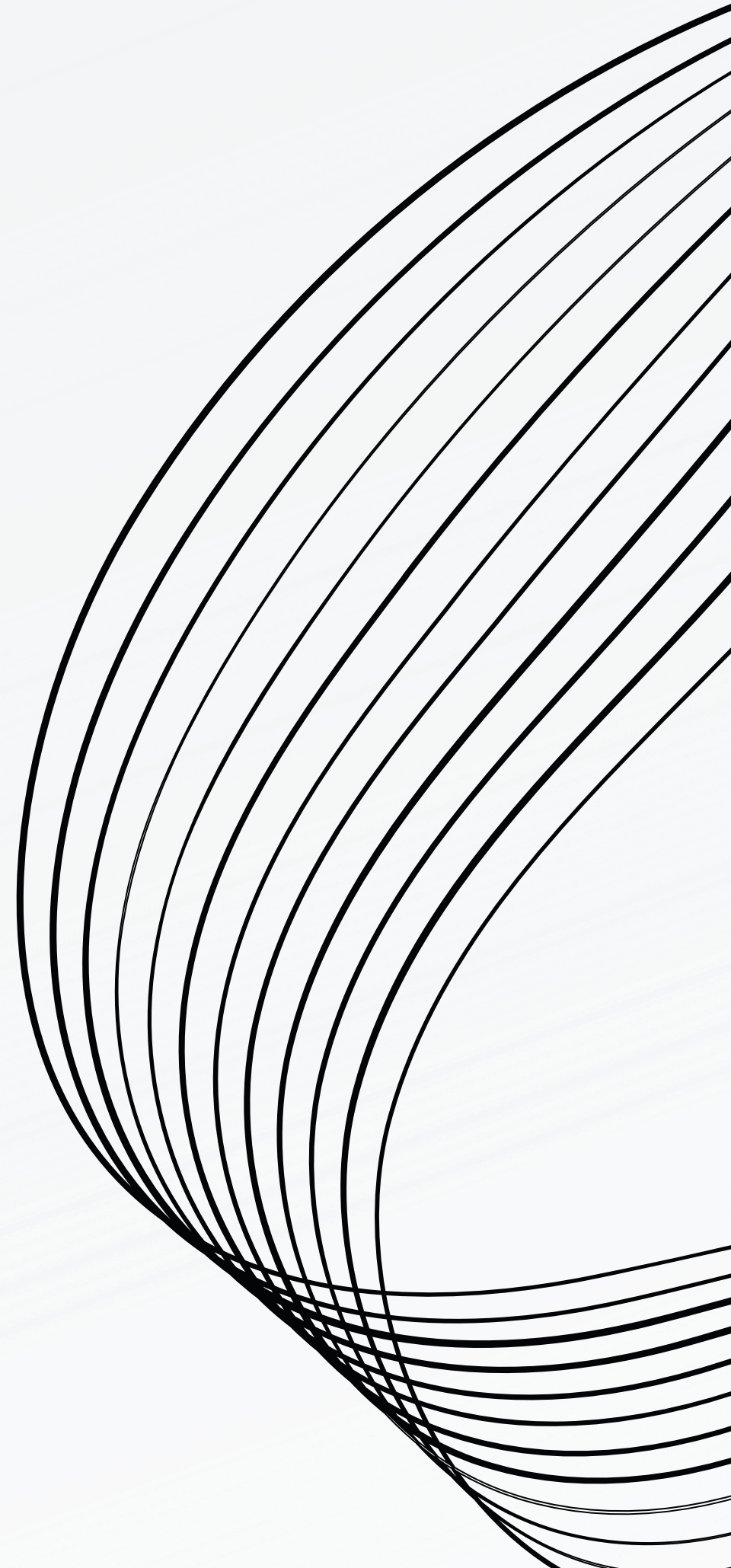
LETTER OF SUPPORT

Evidence of community support and partnerships

UPON AWARD...

The planning and implementation work of districts will be supported, reviewed, and evaluated to help ensure that the investment made has an impact.

Awardees will demonstrate and provide evidence of the return on investment with intentional, research-supported practices in early childhood.



UPON AWARD...

PROGRAM EXPECTATIONS

Planning and Strategizing

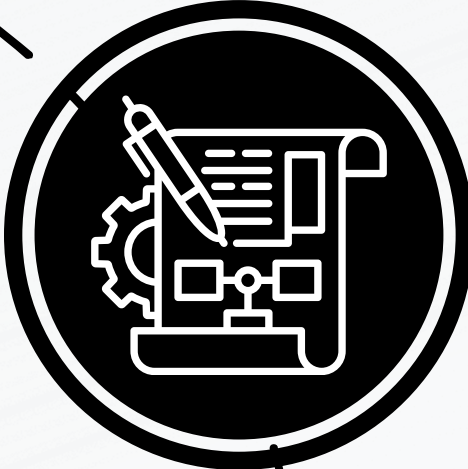
Comprehensive Kindergarten Program Plan Guide
Key Components and Conditions for Success

Learning Community and Consultation

ND Kindergarten Transition Program
Community of Learners

Implementation and Data

Timeline, Data Collection, and Reporting



PLANNING

Technical Assistance



Technical assistance will be provided by the Early Childhood Section to support the development and implementation of each district's unique, comprehensive kindergarten transition program plan.

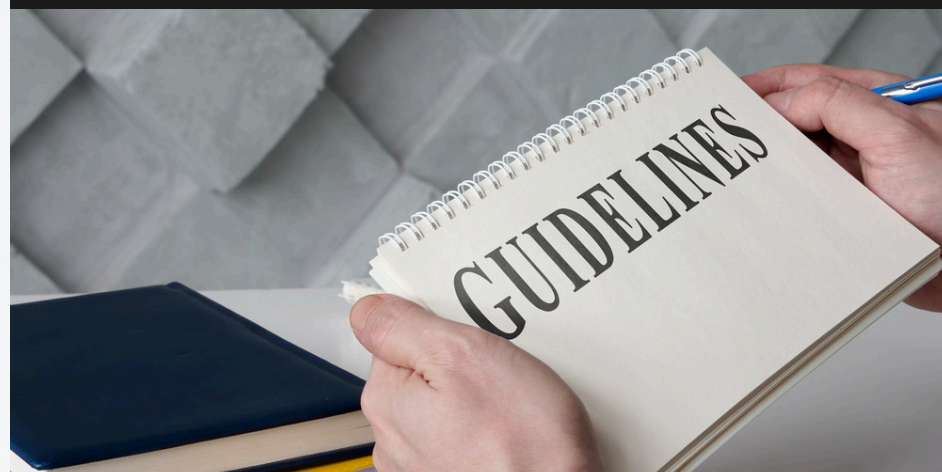
Awardees will participate in the virtual ND Kindergarten Transition Community of Learners and receive three individual virtual consultation meetings to assist in developing the key component areas of a well-designed kindergarten transition plan.

Learning Community



PAYMENT OF GRANT AWARD

Program Planning Guide



Awardees will utilize North Dakota's Comprehensive Kindergarten Transition Plan Guide as a framework to develop and submit their kindergarten transition program plan. *Upon review, program's will be awarded grant funds.*

Plans will include:

- a research-based framework
- a minimum of four family-child engagement sessions
- opportunities for both the child and the adult(s) to kindergarten environments and activities for success
- sessions for adult education

Plan Review Before or By



IMPLEMENTATION



Each district's format and implementation timeline will be unique to their Kindergarten Transition Program Plan.

Awardees will be required to implement at least one round of their Kindergarten Transition Program by **June 1, 2026**.



DATA SUBMISSION

Completed Plan



Data Submission #1 by Aug. 2025

Completed Kindergarten Transition Program Plan to include (but not limited to):

- format
- projected numbers of children and families
- projected number of classrooms

Data Submission #2 by June 2026

Proof of Execution to include (but not limited to):

- final numbers of children and families served
- final number of classrooms
- feedback from participants

Proof of Execution





PROJECT TIMELINE OVERVIEW

TIMELINE



JAN

Jan. 7-
Virtual
Session

Jan. 21-
Submit
Application

Jan. 31-
Awards
Announced

FEB

Community
of Learners
Virtual
Meeting

Ongoing
Consultation

MAR

Community
of Learners
Virtual
Meeting

Ongoing
Consultation

APR

Community
of Learners
Virtual
Meeting

Ongoing
Consultation

MAY

Community
of Learners
Virtual
Meeting

Ongoing
Consultation

AUG

Data
Submission

Completed
Transition
Plan

JUNE '26

Data
Submission

Proof of
Execution

FAQ

Timeline

Do we have to implement the plan this spring?

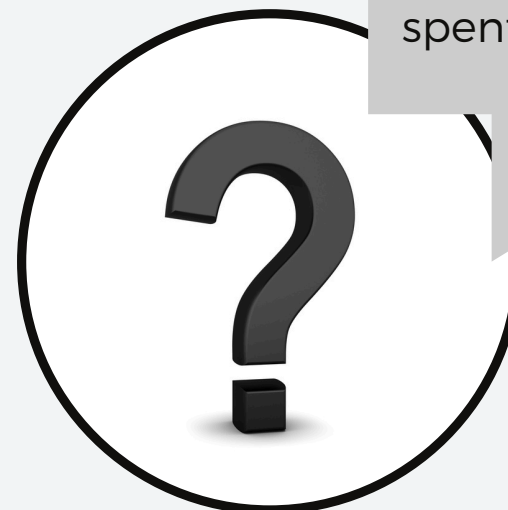
No- Your district will decide the implementation plan.
You must do one session by June 2026



Spending the funds

Is there a timeline for spending the funds?

No- The funds can be stretched in a way that makes sense for the district. Awardees must ensure funds are spent in the allowable categories.



ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR CLARIFICATIONS?



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