

## New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) Teacher Residency Program (TRP) Request for Applications (RFA)

<p><b>Purpose</b></p>	<p>The purpose of this New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) Teacher Residency Program (TRP) Request for Applications (RFA) is to partially or fully fund master’s degrees for teacher residents who are enrolled in a residency program registered with the New York State Education Department (NYSED). These residents must be graduate-level PK-12 teacher candidates who will complete a residency within a public New York State (NYS) school district or Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) program.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Teacher residency programs do not include funding for master’s degrees for certified teachers who currently work in a public NYS school district or BOCES and hold an Initial, Professional, or Permanent certificate.</p> <p>Funded programs would involve Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs), including the State University of New York (SUNY), the City University of New York (CUNY), and/or NYS private colleges and universities, all with registered residency programs, partnering with public school districts/BOCES.</p>
<p><b>Residency Program Requirements</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be at least one (1) IHE academic year in length and include at least 1,000 hours of clinical experiences for candidates, enabling them to experience the full range of a teacher’s annual responsibilities, in alignment with the daily schedule and annual calendar of the educational setting. For the definition of clinical experiences, please see Section VII of the RFA;</li> <li>• Be a structured, supervised learning experience that is designed and implemented through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or similar collaborative agreement between an IHE and an educational setting where the partners design the residency to provide candidates with instructional experiences connected to program learning goals and district priorities, and develop shared expectations for the candidate’s gradual assumption of responsibilities in their placement in the area of the certificate sought;</li> <li>• Be designed to provide candidates with opportunities to practice teaching skills identified in the NYS Teaching Standards in an educational setting in the subject area and grade level of the certificate(s) sought, co-supervised by an IHE-based teacher educator and a district/BOCES-based teacher educator; and</li> <li>• Include a certified district/BOCES-based teacher who has official responsibility for the class during the residency placement(s) for the certificate(s) sought and is certified in the subject area of the certificate sought.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Funding</b></p>	<p>Under this RFA, up to \$30M in TRP funding will be made available to partially or fully fund master’s degrees for teacher residents who are enrolled in a registered residency program.</p> <p>Single award amounts will be made with a minimum award amount of \$30,000. No Applicant shall receive an award of more than forty percent (40%) of the total grant funds. Therefore, the maximum award to a single Applicant under this RFA will not exceed \$12M.</p> <p>* Note: This TRP RFA has a cap per resident of \$30,000. For example, a school district requesting funds for four (4) residents is only permitted to request a maximum of \$120,000.</p>
<p><b>Allowable Costs</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuition support for residents who are enrolled in a registered residency program at a SUNY, CUNY, and/or NYS private colleges and universities who have partnered with public school districts/BOCES;</li> <li>• Books and fees mandatory for participation in the registered residency program; and</li> <li>• Stipends that provide residents with monetary assistance, affording them an opportunity to focus on their studies and continued participation in the registered residency program. Additional points in scoring will be provided to Applicants proposing to fund residents with higher amounts of stipends.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Contracts</b></p>	<p>The contract start date for all contracts resulting from this solicitation may be no earlier than either April 7, 2023, or the date an Applicant submits an application in response to this RFA, whichever is later.</p> <p>Contracts resulting from this solicitation will be awarded for a period of up to 24 months. Contracts will be awarded for a period beginning no earlier than April 7, 2023, and will end up to 24 months later, with none ending later than June 30, 2026.</p>

<p><b>Eligible Applicants</b></p>	<p>A NYS public school district, a consortium of NYS public school districts, a NYS BOCES, a consortium of NYS BOCES, or any combination of these entities. If applying as a consortia, one NYS public school district or NYS BOCES in the consortia must serve as the lead fiscal agent/Applicant and apply for this opportunity on behalf of the consortia. Eligible Applicants must partner with one or more nonprofit IHEs which can include those within SUNY, CUNY, and/or NYS private colleges and universities.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> NYS school districts or BOCES can apply in partnership with an IHE that does not currently have a registered residency program if they attest that the IHE has submitted an application to become a registered residency program. To apply to become a registered residency program, go to <a href="http://www.nysed.gov/college-university-evaluation/state-teacher-educational-leader-or-pupil-personnel-services-program">http://www.nysed.gov/college-university-evaluation/state-teacher-educational-leader-or-pupil-personnel-services-program</a>. Awards will not be made until NYSDOL verifies the partnering IHE has a registered residency program approved by NYSED.</p>
<p><b>Participant Eligibility</b></p>	<p>Eligible participants for the TRP RFA are graduate-level PK-12 teacher candidates who complete a residency that is at least one (1) academic year in length within a public NYS school district or BOCES program.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This includes residents that already have a master’s degree unrelated to the teaching profession but who are seeking a career change. However, certified teachers who currently work in a public NYS school district or BOCES and hold an Initial, Professional, or Permanent certificate are not eligible for this program.</p> <p>The TRP program will provide additional points in scoring to programs that will fund master’s degree programs that lead to certification in the following shortage subject areas: special education, bilingual education, ESOL, science, mathematics, ELA, social studies, world languages, career and technical education, health education, literacy, and library media specialist.</p>
<p><b>Additional Information</b></p>	<p>A complete application, including the Detailed Budget Attachment (DBA) and all attachments, will be accepted via Grants Gateway through 4:00 PM New York State time on June 30, 2023.</p>

The full RFA can be found at <https://dol.ny.gov/funding-opportunities-0>.