

# **2025-2026 Title I 1003 School Improvement Grant District Systems for Instructional Improvement Grant**

## **Full RFP**

The online application is available to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) through the [NYSED Business Portal](#). Select “Office of Accountability” to view surveys and select the survey titled “2025-26 Title I 1003 School Improvement Grant (District Systems for Instructional Improvement).”

## **Project Purpose**

For the 2025-26 school year, the New York State Education Department (NYSED or “the Department”) is providing Target Districts with schools identified for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI), Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI), and Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) the opportunity to receive funding to support their participation in the NYSED District Systems for Instructional Improvement Supplemental Support program.

## **Eligibility**

Target Districts that completed the District Systems for Instructional Improvement Notice of Intent and have at least one school that meets the criteria below are eligible to submit applications for this grant:

1. A school in the CSI support model not under Receivership that enrolled in the District Systems for Instructional Improvement Supplemental Support; or
2. A school in the ATSI support model that enrolled in the District Systems for Instructional Improvement Supplemental Support; or
3. A school in the TSI support model that enrolled in the District Systems for Instructional Improvement Supplemental Support, provided that the District has also enrolled at least one school in the CSI or ATSI support model in a Supplemental Support.

Each participating district must provide a team that consists of the following:

- 1 Principal Supervisor
- 1 or 2 principals (supervised by the Principal Supervisor)
- Instructional Coach(es) that support the team of teachers identified (from the same school as the principal)
- A team of teachers that work together (e.g. grade-level, department) from the school with the instructional coach/principal.

A full list of eligible districts and schools can be found in Attachment A – SIG District Systems Eligible Schools.

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### **Funding**

1. The Department will provide districts funding to support the team from each school to participate in the District Systems for Instructional Improvement support. Up to \$50,000 for each participating school team, which may be used to support the following expenses:
  - Travel-related expenses to required NYSED-hosted training;
  - Substitute teacher expenses related to team members attending NYSED-hosted training;
  - Program-aligned select professional resources (recommended books and materials) for team members;
  - Costs associated with having team meetings outside of contract hours for the team identified in the Notice of Intent.
2. In addition, districts may request up to \$125,000 to cover the salary and benefits of each instructional coach identified on the Notice of Intent as part of the school team, with a maximum of two coaches per team. Funding is contingent on the following:
  - Each coach must have prior experience as an instructional coach; those new to coaching are not eligible.
  - If a school designates two coaches, at least one must have served as a coach at the school during the 2024–25 school year.
  - Coaches funded through this grant must attend the September Kickoff Event.
  - Any coach funded through this grant who has not completed the NYSED *Coaching for Excellence* Foundational Program must participate in four virtual sessions held every other month during the year. These sessions will share NYSED's vision for instructional coaching and provide practical tools and resources.

The funding available may only support the costs associated with the coach's salary and benefits. Although an individual participant's salary and benefits for the instructional coaching position may be less than \$125,000, the grant cannot be applied to other activities. In addition, to ensure compliance with federal regulations, any participant identified for funding through this grant that was an instructional coach in 2024-25 AND funded through state/local (i.e., general) funds last year MUST have at a minimum the same amount of their salary funded through state/local funds in 2025-26 so as to avoid supplanting.

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### **Project Period**

July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026

For any FS-10 submitted, please use the project code provided in the NYSED programmatic approval email. The 2025-26 Title I 1003 School Improvement Grant (District Systems for Instructional Support) project number stem is 0011-26-**9xxx**.

### **Application Deadline**

Completed applications, including the FS-10, are due by **September 15, 2025**, and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. LEAs are encouraged to submit completed applications as soon as possible to expedite the review and approval process.

### **Submission Instructions**

To receive 2025-26 Title I, 1003 School Improvement Grant (District Systems for Instructional Improvement) funding, eligible Districts must submit a **blue ink** signed original and two hard copies of the FS-10 Budget form to:

NYS Education Department - Office of Accountability  
Attn: 2025-26 Title I, 1003 SIG (District Systems for Instructional Improvement)  
89 Washington Avenue – Room 320 EB  
Albany, New York 12234

### **Budget Amendment Deadline**

The “2025-26 Title I 1003 School Improvement Grant (Amendment Request)” has been developed to include electronic submission through the NYSED Business Portal. LEAs will need to answer four questions in the survey and upload a completed and signed PDF copy of their FS-10As.

All budget amendments should be discussed with the program office prior to the submission of an FS-10A. To ensure sufficient review and processing time, amendments to add new activities must be postmarked and submitted no later than June 1, 2026.

For additional information or assistance please contact: [fieldsupport@nysed.gov](mailto:fieldsupport@nysed.gov) and [SIGA@nysed.gov](mailto:SIGA@nysed.gov).

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**ATTACHMENT A:**  
**District Systems for Instructional Improvement Eligibility**

District	BEDS	School
BUFFALO CITY SD	140600010118	WEST HERTEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ELMIRA CITY SD	070600010010	HENDY AVENUE SCHOOL
ITHACA CITY SD	610600010007	ENFIELD SCHOOL
ITHACA CITY SD	610600010004	BEVERLY J MARTIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
KINGSTON CITY SD	620600010012	GEORGE WASHINGTON SCHOOL
KINGSTON CITY SD	620600010020	J WATSON BAILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL
KINGSTON CITY SD	620600010025	M CLIFFORD MILLER MIDDLE SCHOOL
KINGSTON CITY SD	620600010024	HARRY L EDSON SCHOOL
LACKAWANNA CITY SD	141800010011	MARTIN ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
NEWBURGH CITY SD	441600010017	NEWBURGH FREE ACADEMY MAIN CAMPUS
NEWBURGH CITY SD	441600010017	NEWBURGH FREE ACADEMY NORTH CAMPUS
NEW YORK CITY	320700010224	PS/IS 224
NEW YORK CITY	331300010046	PS 46 EDWARD C BLUM
NEW YORK CITY	331300010270	PS 270 JOHANN DEKALB
ROCHESTER	261600010114	PADILLA HIGH SCHOOL
ROCHESTER	261600010067	JOSEPH C WILSON MAGNET HIGH SCH
ROME CITY SD	411800010023	LOUIS V DENTI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ROME CITY SD	411800010014	STOKES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ROME CITY SD	411800010010	LYNDON H STROUGH MIDDLE SCHOOL
ROME CITY SD	411800010015	JOHN E JOY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SCHENECTADY CITY SD	530600010014	PLEASANT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SCHENECTADY CITY SD	530600010024	MONT PLEASANT MIDDLE SCHOOL
WAVERLY CSD	600101060005	WAVERLY MIDDLE SCHOOL