

Early Learning Facilities (ELF) K-12 School District Grant

What is the ELF K-12 School District Program?

The ELF program supports Washington's commitment of developing additional high quality early learning opportunities for children from low-income households.

The program enables K-12 school districts to expand, remodel, purchase or construct early learning facilities and classrooms to increase and/or retain capacity at risk of being lost, which is necessary to support state-funded Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) and Work connection opportunities. For more information, go to www.dcyf.wa.gov/services/early-learning-providers/eceap.

Who May Apply?

This program is only open to K-12 school districts. Applicants must be or intend to be;

- An active participant in Early Achievers program.
- Have a Washington State business license to provide early learning services.
- Early Learning Childhood Education program (ECEAP) provider AND/OR Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) provider.

Where to Apply?

Apply to the Department of Commerce electronically through Zoom Grants.

What are the Benefits of ELF K-12 Grant?

- Creates opportunities for high quality early childhood education.
- Support children safety and enhances a healthy learning environment.
- Decreases early learning barriers .
- Creates opportunities to leverage local and private resource with state investment.



What Amount and Categories of Grants Available?

\$855,823	
Major Construction, Major Renovation	Facility Purchase
Example: Construction, major renovation for early learning facility	Example: Facility purchase for early learning

How to Apply?

Commerce website provides all the guidelines and procedures on how to apply for ELF Grant. Visit the Department of Commerce's website: www.commerce.wa.gov/building-infrastructure/capital-facilities/early-learning-program

Questions?

Email: earlylearningfacilities@commerce.wa.gov

All applications must be submitted electronically through Zoom Grants and are due to Commerce no later than 5 p.m. on **Monday, August 3, 2020**.



The Department of Commerce in partnership with Department of Children, Youth, and Families and the Office of Superintendent of Public instruction administrates the ELF K-12 School District grant.

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