



Languages

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Information

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The Languages Program through the South Australian Independent Schools Targeted Programs Authority Inc aims to help schools and school communities to improve learning outcomes of students who are learning languages other than English R - 12.

All schools in the Independent sector are eligible to apply for a grant to support languages projects at either primary and/or secondary level.

For 2012 every school will be given a base grant plus a further allocation depending on the number of students studying a language. Schools will need to indicate in the funding submission how the grant will be spent. Limited additional funds may be available in 2012 for special projects and initiatives.

Schools which have not yet provided educational accountability reports for 2011 Languages Grants will not be able to access 2012 Language Grants until that report is received.

Funding Guidelines

Funding must be applied to the provision of languages education at any level from R – 12.

Grants may be used to support the following costs:

1. Teacher professional development, TRT support and associated costs
2. Curriculum development and materials
3. Services of outside personnel to undertake activities with a clear language focus, eg cultural groups, native speakers
4. Resources, eg, books and kits, specialist teaching materials, realia, computer software
5. Minor capital items (which may include, but not limited to, items such as interactive whiteboards, languages specific software, DVD players, TVs etc) up to \$5,000 per school for the explicit use in the delivery of language education programs.

Please note under the Commonwealth guidelines grant money cannot be used to fund programs that are predominantly religious or political. In addition direct grants cannot be used for major capital items, computer hardware, overseas travel costs or salaries for assistant teachers.

All projects receiving Languages funding will be required to meet educational and financial accountability as set out in the Agreement between the South Australian Independent Schools Targeted Programs Authority Inc and schools.

Assessment of Submissions

To be approved for a Languages Grant, submissions must comply with funding guidelines.

Funding Submission Forms

In 2012 details of the funding allocation will be sent to all Principals/Heads of Schools.

Closing Date for Submissions: Friday 30 March 2012

If you require any further information please contact me at the AISSA office on 8179 1420.

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Ideas for Funding Submission

TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TRT to attend workshops/conferences/seminars within Australia• Registration costs for Language professional associations (i.e. MLTASA)• TRT to attend information sessions on the Australian Curriculum
CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TRT to develop units of work• TRT to collaborate with other languages teachers• Observation visits to other schools• TRT to develop Moodle site
RESOURCES
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Language DVDs• Language CDs• Dictionaries/books• Realia• Magazine subscriptions
MINOR CAPITAL ITEMS (must be for delivery of language education program)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TV• DVD player• iPad• Interactive whiteboard• Flip camera• Language specific software• Headsets with microphones
EXTERNAL LANGUAGE SUPPORT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Native speaker support• Guest speakers• Cultural groups (i.e. Lion Dance Troupe)
OTHER
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual licence for Language Plus

LANGUAGES GRANT FUNDING MAY **NOT** BE USED FOR:

- Catering costs for Parent Info nights
- Ingredients for cooking (unless as part of a specific unit of work)
- TRT to attend conferences or workshops overseas
- Interstate/Overseas travel costs
- Salaries for assistant teachers
- Sumo suits/karaoke microphones
- Prizes for students