



KyCL Grant

Funding Fact Sheet

The goal of the **Kentucky Comprehensive Literacy (KyCL) Grant** is to close literacy gaps for all students but especially among underserved students by providing targeted support for low-income, high-need learners from birth through grade 12.

The grant open to **all public districts** and is split into three bands: **early childhood** (birth to age 5); **elementary**; and **middle/high school**.

KyCL Goals

1. Provide funding for needed **literacy assessments** – Early Oral Language Screener, a KDE-approved Universal Screener, Literacy Diagnostic Assessments, and progress monitoring tools.
2. Improve reading instruction by providing **Curriculum-based Professional Learning (CBPL)** to all reading instructional staff that is sustained, aligned to the HQIR, and job-embedded for the effective implementation of the HQIR.
3. Provide equitable access to Tier 1 reading High-quality Instructional Resources (HQIR) for all K-12 students based on the Science of Reading.
4. Provide writing HQIRs, targeted literacy interventions aligned with structured literacy, the Science of Reading training for all levels, and support for family engagement.

Required (Level 1) Activities

- **Universal screener, diagnostic assessments**, and Kentucky Summative Assessment reading data to evaluate progress
- HQIR for ELA (Gr. 6-12)
- **Vendor-provided CBPL** to support implementation of the HQIR (2- to 4-year plan required) along with **coaching**
- If needed, evidence-based, high-quality, comprehensive reading program including supplemental curriculum for foundational reading (K-5)

Optional (Level 2) Activities

- **KDE-approved universal screeners and reading diagnostic assessments** and associated PD, if needed
- **Instructional resource support and PD** for tiered instruction following the KY MTSS framework
- **High-quality PD** on the Science of Reading
- High-quality, explicit, and systematic writing HQIRs and associated PD
- Literacy training and family engagement activities
- Effective transitions from elementary-middle-high school

Funding Highlights

\$54.9M* Total Funding (5 yrs)

\$1M–\$1.56M Award Range

40 Awards anticipated

Distribution of funds:

- 16% Birth to Age 5
- 42% Elementary
- 42% Middle & High School

Timeline

Applications Due
Dec. 18, 2024

Awards Announced
March 2025

Implementation Period (5 yrs)
July 1, 2025 to Sept. 30, 2029

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Required Activities (Level 1)

- MAP Growth **
- MAP Reading Fluency with Coach

Optional Activities (Level 2)

- Professional Learning

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** KDE-Approved Screener