



# Automated Education Grants Lifecycle Management

#### **BENEFITS**

# LINQ eGrants Benefits

- Streamlined and automated grant application processes
- Cloud-hosted solution no local IT infrastructure required
- Less time spent administering grants, including the fiscal processes
- Quicker access to information and completed applications
- Increased consistency across all grant applications
- Improved accuracy with built in business rules
- Real-time status information for grant applications, payments and expenditure reports
- Ensured compliance with federal and state mandates
- Documented application version history for audit purposes

Designed to improve SEA and school district efficiencies, we automate the entire grant lifecycle. The system is entirely web-based, compatible with all major browsers and there are no technology implementation headaches. We are the trusted experts in navigating federal regulations and our solution is highly adaptable to account for changes in legislation as they occur. What does that mean to you? An intuitive solution that provides accuracy, less paper, and reduces administrative burden.

# Why LINQ eGrants?



Trusted education experts with over a decade of experience in streamlining and automating grants management processes.



Our proven methodologies and approachable team that cares about solving your business technology challenges.



Purpose-built in the following states: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Connecticut, Delaware, Kentucky, Maine, Mississippi, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia.



### **Planning**

eGrants offers a comprehensive planning tool that aligns school plans with a single district plan. In addition, the planning tool allows districts and schools to create relationships between their strategic plans and grant funding. This unique design allows school districts to eliminate the redundancy that comes with creating separate plans for each grant application.

## **Application & Budgeting**

Our solution offers SEAs the flexibility to process groups of grants in a consolidated application or as a single grant. The application process includes budgeting, program activities, and document upload. In addition, business rules will ensure applications are not submitted with invalid entries. Also, grantees can initiate and complete budget revisions. Changes are tracked between revisions so that reviewers can quickly approve or reject budget amendments.

# Final Expenditure Reporting & Fund Carryover

At the end of the fiscal year, school districts are required to complete a final expenditure report. The final expenditure report must align with the approved budget amount. If the school district did not expend all funds, it may carry over the unspent award into next year. In fact, the carry over process is completely automated.

# Reporting

The reports module gives the SEA significant oversight into all areas of the grant application process, particularly in the monitoring of payments and expenditure reports. This rich reporting component that allows the SEA to aggregate any data being collected through the system.

#### **Allocation**

With our solution, SEAs can allocate grant awards in just one easy step. Once the allocation amounts have been loaded, the system uses the award amount to place caps on budgeting and payment processing. This ensures only the appropriate funds are distributed.

## **Payment Processing**

Once the grant application receives initial approval, the local education agency may start requesting payments through our automated fund request process. Fund requests may not be submitted to the state until expenditures align with the approved budget amount. Additionally, eGrants has the capability to interface with the state accounting system to initiate the payment disbursement to the grantee.

# Monitoring

Beyond simply ensuring minimal regulatory compliance, our monitoring tool facilitates ongoing engagement between the SEA and LEA/school staff to ensure the ideal implementation of programs that maximize positive outcomes for students.

# More than Grants Management...

We are part of a comprehensive platform with solutions from Student Services to State Nutrition. Visit **LINQ.COM** for more information.