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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents, 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC Directors, Title I Directors, Title III Directors, Directors of State Sponsored Charter Schools, Community Based Organizations, and Faith Based Organizations

**FROM:** Sharyn Peal, Director, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers  
Office of Special Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, and School Improvement Programs

**RE:** Request For Applications (RFA)

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This memo announces the potential availability to provide federal funds for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (21<sup>st</sup> CCLC) programs. CCLCs are designed to establish or expand opportunities that provide students with academic enrichment activities as well as services to complement the students' academic program. CCLCs provide programs before school, after school and during breaks, with the ultimate goal being to increase the academic achievement of students who are at risk of failing to meet state academic standards. **All** applications must be submitted on ePAGE, a web-based electronic application system. The ePAGE system will be used for both new and continuing applications for these funds.

Applicants for these programs can include public schools, charter schools, community based organizations, faith based organizations, and private schools. Successful applicants, though, must include a partnership between a school and an agency. Although not limited to schools currently served by Title I funds, those applications indicating a partnership with a Title I school (or a private school serving at-risk students) will receive priority or bonus points. Additional points will be given to applicants, including a Title I school, that failed to make adequate yearly progress (AYP) last year, proposed programs in middle or high schools, and those schools classified as being "In Need of Improvement."

Two optional training sessions will be held to assist applicants when preparing applications; they will be held as follows:

- Thursday, March 11, 2010 a session will be held from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in Carson City
- Friday, March 12, 2010 a session will be held from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in Las Vegas

Although the trainings are optional, individuals or organizations not familiar with ePAGE are **strongly** encouraged to attend. The first two hours of each training will address the specific application components for this funding. The final two hours will orient attendees on how to access and use the ePAGE system.

Continuing programs should note that a new section related to statewide goals has been added to the Spending Plan Details page of the application.

For details on the location and to RSVP for a session, please contact Charmaine Martineau at (775) 687-9172 or at [cmartineau@doe.nv.gov](mailto:cmartineau@doe.nv.gov).

Details of this funding process include the following:

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| Application Opening Date:           | Tuesday, March 9, 2010                           |
| Application Due:                    | Friday, May 14, 2010                             |
| Funding Available for New Programs: | To Be Announced                                  |
| Grant Period:                       | July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011                     |
| Grant Amounts:                      | \$80,000 - \$300,000 per year/maximum of 5 years |
| Source of Funding:                  | U.S. Department of Education                     |

To obtain additional information about 21st CCLC programs, please contact Sharyn Peal at (775) 687-9212 or at [speal@doe.nv.gov](mailto:speal@doe.nv.gov).

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