

Frequently Asked Questions
Turnaround Grant Application

****There is an error on the evaluation rubric-please disregard the School Performance Plan section. This does not apply. Sorry for any confusion.****

1) Is this grant for Title I supported schools?

No. This is a State funded grant that any 1 or 2 Star school can apply for despite other designations or other funding sources.

2) All 2-Star schools are NOT required to submit a Turnaround Plan. What are our options for this step?

This is correct. If you are not required to submit a Turnaround Plan, please use the diagnostics to guide your School Performance Plan with specific goals based on the needs that were discovered.

3) Can LEAs submit 1 plan for multiple schools?

An LEA can submit for multiple schools, however, the narrative and budget pages must be completed for each individual school based on the needs of the school.

4) We conducted an internal NCCAT diagnosis last year. Can this funding be used to support developing a School Performance Plan from the NCCAT data we already have?

No. We are specifically asking for an external vendor to be used to give an outside perspective of the school's/leadership's strengths and weaknesses.

5) Do we need to use the same vendor for both diagnostics?

No. You may use separate vendors, but NDE suggests using one because many times the two diagnostics are offered in the same package or at a reduced price.

6) Can you recommend a vendor?

NDE cannot recommend a specific vendor. Those vendors that have been vetted are listed on the NDE's website and the link is included in the application.

7) Can funding from this grant support district personnel to oversee the vendors?

No. While a district can apply on behalf of a school, SB 515 specifically states all funding must go directly to schools.