



Statewide Longitudinal Data System Grants: Request for Applications - 84.372 (FY 2009)
Informational WebEx Sessions: August 7, 2008 & September 5, 2008

INFORMATION SESSIONS: On behalf of the National Center for Education Statistics within the Institute of Education Sciences, the Council of Chief State School Officers will host two opportunities for a WebEx information session for states planning to apply for Statewide Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) grants (<http://ies.ed.gov/funding/>). They will be presented by Lee Hoffman, NCES Program Director, and Tate Gould, SLDS Grant Program Officer and will include an overview of the FY09 SLDS competition (~45 minutes) and provide an opportunity for questions and answers (~45 minutes).

- Thursday, August 7, 2008 from 2:00–3:30pm EST
- Friday, September 5, 2008 from 2:00–3:30pm EST

STEPS TO JOIN THE INFORMATION SESSIONS:

1. At the start of the meeting, either click the following link or copy and paste it into your Web browser:
<https://ccsso.webex.com/ccsso/j.php?ED=107392022&UID=0>
2. Enter your name, your email address, and then click “Join.”
3. Follow the teleconference instructions that automatically appear on your screen:
 - Call-in toll-free number: 866-469-3239
 - Meeting number: 714 155 050

GRANT OVERVIEW: The National Center for Education Statistics within the Institute of Education Sciences has released a Request for Applications for the Statewide Longitudinal Data System Grant Program. This program will provide grants to state education agencies to support the design, development, and implementation of statewide longitudinal data systems. These systems will help states efficiently and accurately manage, analyze, disaggregate, and use student data. The long term goal of this program is to increase the number and capacity of comprehensive statewide longitudinal data systems, thereby permitting states to generate accurate and timely data to meet reporting requirements; support evidence-based education decision-making; and increase the efficiency and organization of transferring educational data among schools, districts, and states to improve student achievement.

GRANT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: September 25, 2008, 4:30 pm EST

CONTACT INFORMATION: If you have any questions, please contact Tate Gould, National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education by phone at (202) 219-7080 or email at Tate.Gould@ed.gov.

For further information please visit:

<http://ies.ed.gov/funding/> or http://nces.ed.gov/Programs/SLDS/grant_opportunities.asp