

OpenSciEd Training Grant - Summer 2024

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Introduction

Welcome and thank you for your ongoing participation in middle school OpenSciEd (“OSE”) and interest in the summer 2024 unit professional development (“PD”) extension and facilitator training grant. This is a one-time grant with the goals of 1) supporting Cohort 1 districts with additional OSE PD seats for the summer of 2024 to accommodate staff transitions, and 2) developing district-based “facilitator” teams to support localized PD.

Funding and support for school grants is provided by the One8 Foundation. Feel free to reach out to Micah Joselow (mjoselow@one8.org) at One8 with any questions.

Application Instructions and Expectations

Applications should be submitted by the district/LEA. Each district may apply for teacher PD seats and/or facilitator training seats:

Teacher PD Extension Seats:

- Districts may apply for up to 3 seats per OSE Cohort 1 school for teachers wishing to attend OSE unit PD in the summer of 2024.
- These seats are intended to provide unit PD to teachers who were not budgeted into the original grant due to staff transitions over the last 3 years.
- Schools are expected to demonstrate that they have exhausted initial grant training funds to be eligible for additional PD seats.
- These PD seats are only for PD sessions taking place in July, August, and September 2024. These seats will not roll over into the winter nor future school years.

Facilitator Training Seats:

- Districts may apply for up to 2 facilitators per district for summer 2024 training.
- Facilitators are expected to support local PD through the model of district-based PD facilitation. Facilitators should be identified and have an interest in leading in-state PD over the summer in future years.
- Qualified teachers should have completed a minimum of 4 OSE middle school unit PDs by May 2024, including the Launch PD.
- Facilitator seats are only for sessions taking place in the summer of 2024. These seats will not roll over into the winter nor future school years.

Schools may apply for:

- Only teacher unit PD extension seats.
- Only facilitator training seats.
- Teacher unit PD extension seats AND facilitator training seats.

Other Notes

- Teacher unit PD extension seats must fund core science teachers to attend Summer 2024 PD.
- Facilitator training may fund science teachers, coaches, or other leaders at the school or district level.
- Additional kit funding is not included in these extension grants.
- Funding associated with this grant is intended to be used in the summer of 2024 only. Seat allotments will not be carried over into future school years.

Note: Grant awards will not be transferred to schools as direct payments but will rather be distributed through the summer 2024 PD provider, the National Science Teaching Association (NSTA), to cover the costs of professional learning. Grant award sizes are determined by the number of approved PD seats for teachers and facilitators.

Important Dates

Monday, March 11th, 2024

Application posted.

Friday, March 15th, 2024

Grant Info Session. Please register on the One8 website if you would like to attend ([registration link](#)).

Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024

Grant applications due.

Friday, May 10th, 2024

Award notifications.

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OpenSciEd Teacher Transition Unit PD Extension and Facilitator Application

Please provide your district and school(s) information.

Note: Districts with multiple schools must select "Add another response" below the School dropdown.

DISTRICT *

Start typing to search the list

PLEASE SELECT THE SCHOOL(S) YOU WISH TO APPLY FOR *

Start typing to search the list. If you don't see your school, make sure your district is entered.

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District Grant Contact Information

Please provide the name and contact information of your primary district grant contact.

PRIMARY DISTRICT CONTACT FIRST NAME *

PRIMARY DISTRICT CONTACT LAST NAME *

PRIMARY DISTRICT CONTACT ROLE *

- Teacher
- Department Chair
- School Leader
- District Leader
- Science / STEM Coach

PRIMARY DISTRICT CONTACT TITLE *

PRIMARY DISTRICT CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS *

PRIMARY DISTRICT CONTACT PHONE NUMBER *

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Seat Application(s)

WHAT TYPE(S) OF SEATS WOULD YOU LIKE TO APPLY FOR?

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Teacher Transition Unit PD Extension Seats

THANK YOU FOR APPLYING FOR TEACHER PD TRAINING SEATS. HOW MANY TOTAL SCHOOLS WOULD YOU LIKE TO APPLY FOR IN YOUR DISTRICT? PLEASE ONLY APPLY FOR SCHOOLS THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE OSE COHORT 1 GRANT *

1 school

2 schools

3 schools

4 schools

5 schools

Seats and Application(s)

IN TOTAL, HOW MANY TEACHER TRANSITION PD SEATS WOULD YOU LIKE TO APPLY FOR IN YOUR DISTRICT?

(MAXIMUM 3 PER SCHOOL) *

Please select... ▼

PLEASE PROVIDE A NARRATIVE THAT EXPLAINS, FOR EACH SCHOOL:

- 1) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SCIENCE TEACHERS OF RECORD AT THIS SCHOOL;
- 2) HOW MANY OF THESE TEACHERS HAVE RECEIVED AT LEAST 4 OSE PD UNITS ("FULLY TRAINED");
- 3) HOW MANY HAVE NOT RECEIVED AT LEAST 4 OSE PD UNITS ("PARTIALLY / NOT TRAINED"),
- 4) FOR TEACHERS WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED AT LEAST 4 PD UNITS, A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE REASON WHY (E.G., SOMEONE IS NEWLY HIRED, ETC.). *

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Facilitator Training Seats

THANK YOU FOR APPLYING FOR DISTRICT FACILITATOR TRAINING SEATS. HOW MANY SEATS WOULD YOU LIKE TO APPLY FOR? *

Please select... ▼

Please provide the name and contact information of the facilitator(s).

FACILITATOR 1 FIRST NAME *

FACILITATOR 1 LAST NAME *

FACILITATOR 1 EMAIL ADDRESS *

FACILITATOR 1 TITLE *

FOR WHICH OSE COURSES HAS FACILITATOR 1 COMPLETED PD? PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY.

NOTE: CANDIDATES FOR FACILITATOR TRAINING MUST HAVE COMPLETED 4 UNITS OF TRAINING BY MAY 2024. *

- 6.1 – Light & Matter (MA 6.1)
- 8.2 – Sound Waves (MA 6.2)
- 8.3 – Forces at a Distance (MA 6.3)
- 8.4 – Earth in Space (MA 6.4)
- 6.4 – Plate Tectonics (MA 6.5)
- 6.6 – Cells & Systems (MA 6.6)
- 8.1 – Contact Forces (MA 7.1)
- 6.2 – Thermal Energy (MA 7.2)
- 7.4 – Matter Cycling & Photosynthesis (MA 7.3)
- 7.5 – Ecosystem Dynamics (MA 7.4)
- 7.6 – Earth’s Resources & Human Impact (MA 7.5)
- 6.5 – Natural Hazards (MA 7.6)
- 7.1 – Chemical Reactions & Matter (MA 8.1)
- 7.2 – Chemical Reactions & Energy (MA 8.2)
- 7.3 – Metabolic Reactions (MA 8.3)
- 8.5 – Genetics (MA 8.4)
- 8.6 – Natural Selection (MA 8.5)
- 6.3 – Weather (MA 8.6)

FACILITATOR 1 STATEMENT OF INTEREST (MAX 300 WORDS)

PLEASE SHARE WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN OSE FACILITATOR, INCLUDING:

- 1) HOW YOUR OWN TEACHING PRACTICE HAS CHANGED SINCE IMPLEMENTING OSE;
- 2) HOW YOU HAVE SUPPORTED OTHERS IN YOUR SCHOOL OR DISTRICT TO CHANGE THEIR PRACTICES;
- 3) IDEAS ON HOW THE CURRENT OSE PD MODEL MIGHT BE ADAPTED TO SUPPORT NEW TEACHERS IN A DISTRICT (WITH THE GOAL OF MAKING OSE SUSTAINABLE DURING PERIODS OF TEACHER TRANSITION).

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WOULD THIS FACILITATOR HAVE INTEREST AND BE AVAILABLE TO LEAD SUMMER AND/OR WINTER CYCLE TRAINING FOR MASSACHUSETTS TEACHERS OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT? *

Yes

No

PLEASE PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF HOW YOUR DISTRICT WOULD UTILIZE YOUR FACILITATOR(S) AFTER THEY ARE TRAINED.

THE ONE8 APPLIED LEARNING HUB AND OSE SCHOOL SUPPORT ORGANIZATION LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL TRAINED FACILITATORS TO COME UP WITH MODELS FOR IN-DISTRICT TRAINING AND SHARE BEST PRACTICES. THIS WILL NOT BE A SOLO TASK AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING YOUR INITIAL IDEAS HERE AND DOING THIS WORK TOGETHER! *

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Additional Grant Questions

PLEASE PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF HOW INITIAL OSE PD GRANT DOLLARS HAVE BEEN SPENT IN YOUR DISTRICT.

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HOW MANY OSE PD GRANT DOLLARS FROM YOUR INITIAL GRANT HAVE YET TO BE SPENT BY YOUR DISTRICT? PLEASE PROVIDE A DOLLAR AMOUNT (\$\$).

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HOW DO YOU INTEND TO SPEND THESE REMAINING PD GRANT DOLLARS TO SUPPORT TEACHER TRANSITIONS? ADDITIONALLY, IF YOUR DISTRICT HAS OTHER FUNDING EARMARKED FOR OSE PD, HOW WILL THOSE FUNDS FIT INTO YOUR OSE PD SPENDING PLANS? *

IN THE EVENT OF FUTURE STAFF TRANSITIONS, HOW WOULD HAVING A TRAINED FACILITATOR IN-DISTRICT SUPPORT THE CONTINUATION OF OSE IN YOUR DISTRICT? *

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Grant Admin. Information

Should your district receive a grant, the Superintendent would be asked to sign the grant agreement. To expedite the creation of a grant agreement, please provide the following information.

SUPERINTENDENT FIRST NAME *

SUPERINTENDENT LAST NAME *

SUPERINTENDENT EMAIL ADDRESS *

SUPERINTENDENT PHONE NUMBER *

SUPERINTENDENT PHYSICAL ADDRESS *

Please provide the names and emails of anyone else from your district who needs to receive a copy of the executed agreement.

FIRST NAME

FIRST NAME

FIRST NAME



LAST NAME

LAST NAME

LAST NAME



EMAIL ADDRESS

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Thank You!

Thank you for completing our application! Shortly after submitting the application, the primary district contact will receive a confirmation email. If they do not see that email within a few hours, please check your junk mail or reach out to connect@one8.org.

Please click "Submit" to finish, or "Previous Page" to return and edit your application.

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