

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA 84.060A]

**Indian Education Formula Grants to Local Educational Agencies****AGENCY:** Department of Education.**ACTION:** Notice establishing closing date for applications for awards for fiscal year (FY) 1998.

**SUMMARY:** Provides grants to support local educational agencies in their efforts to reform elementary and secondary school programs that serve Indian students in order to ensure that such programs are based on challenging State content standards and State student performance standards used for all students, and are designed to assist Indian students to meet those standards. Although the application package cited a March 10, 1998 closing date for submission of grant applications, a delay in publishing the closing date occurred. This notice establishes the new closing date for transmittal of applications and for intergovernmental review as cited in the application package. Applicants that have already submitted an application in response to the March 10, 1998 date cited in the application package need not submit another application. However, those applicants have until the new closing date to submit any revisions to their application.

**Eligible Applicants:** Local educational agencies (LEAs) and certain schools funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Indian tribes under certain conditions.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** May 1, 1998. Applications

not meeting the transmittal deadline of May 1, 1998 will not be considered for funding in the initial allocation of awards. Applications not meeting the deadline *may* be considered for funding if the Secretary determines, under section 9117(d) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (the Act), that funds are available and that reallocation of those funds to those applicants would best assist in advancing the purposes of the program. However, the amount and date of an individual award, if any, made under section 9117(d) of the Act may not be the same to which the applicant would have been entitled if the application had been submitted on time.

**Deadline for intergovernmental review:** July 1, 1998.

**Available funds:** The appropriation for this program for fiscal year 1998 is \$59,750,000, which should be sufficient to fund all eligible applicants.

**Estimated Range of awards:** \$3,000 to \$1,300,000.

**Estimated average size of awards:** \$47,000.

**Estimated number of awards:** 1,250.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project period:** Up to 60 months.

**Applicable regulations:** The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR Parts 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, and 86.

**FOR APPLICATIONS OR INFORMATION**

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