CALL FOR REVIEWERS

Read to Achieve (RTA)

The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) is seeking qualified individuals to review Read to Achieve (RTA) applications. Public elementary schools serving primary students are eligible to apply for funds to design and implement intervention program and/or practices that address the needs of primary (K-3) students reading at low levels.

**Reviewer Qualifications**

For this review, the KDE seeks persons with a deep understanding of effective reading intervention services, experience in, or knowledge of, early reading instruction and the five components of literacy instruction, and/or grant review experience. We desire representation from educators with teaching, administrative or higher education background as well as qualified people from the community who have experience reviewing grant applications. Preference will be given to individuals who currently teach, or have taught, primary students.

## Reviewer Requirements

In addition to the specified experience and background, reviewers **must** be available to attend the reviewer training and on-site evaluation to be held in Frankfort, **February 7-9, 2017** at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Frankfort, KY.

## Reviewer Compensation

Persons selected for this review will receive $200 per day (three days with a possible 4th day) for the training and evaluation process. Reviewers will also receive travel reimbursement to include mileage, accommodations and meals.

***These reviewers are neither employees nor contractors of KDE, and as such, cannot be paid through the payroll system. The KDE will continue to inform all reviewers that if they are KTRS retired members, then they have the responsibility to seek an exemption from the KTRS for return to work and to report earnings appropriately to the KTRS.***

If required, KDE can reimburse a district for the cost of a substitute for teachers participating in the review. In this situation the cost of the substitute reimbursement will be deducted from the per day stipend of $200 (for example, if the per day substitute rate is $75, the individual will receive $125 per day and the district will be reimbursed for the substitute).

If interested in reviewing Read to Achieve applications, please scan and email attached application with a current resume to Jason Kendall at jason.kendall@education.ky.gov by 4:00 pm (ET) Wednesday, January 18, 2017.KDE will notify reviewers of their selection on or around Friday, January 27, 2017.

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# COMPETITIVE GRANTS

# REVIEWER APPLICATION

## REVIEWER QUALIFICATIONS

At minimum, reviewers must possess:

**Bachelor’s degree in one or more of these areas:**

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| * Early Childhood Education
* Primary and Intermediate (elementary) Education
* Middle School Education
* Secondary Education
* Educational Leadership (e.g., principal, counselor, curriculum supervisor)
* Educational Technology
* Special Education
* Science
* Counseling, social work, or other areas related to working with children at-risk academically or behaviorally
* Out of School Programming
 |  | * Mathematics
* English/Language Arts/Reading
* Social Studies
* Arts (e.g., performing and/or visual)
* Humanities (e.g., foreign language)
* Health and/or Physical Education
* Consumer Science
* Career and Technical Education
* Research and Evaluation
* Computer Science
* Electrical Engineering
* Information Technology
* Or Other Related Field
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 **Or five years’ experience in education or in one of the above specified areas.**

We will give preference to individuals with advanced degrees and/or experience in grant writing or application review.

Any applicants with the following will not be considered:

* Current Read to Achieve teachers funded by the Read to Achieve grant
* Individuals working with, or for, the grant approved program(s)
* Individuals involved with, or assisting with, writing current applications for the RFA
* Employees or contracted employees of the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development (CCLD) or the Kentucky Department of Education

Application

Qualified individuals may submit an application by 4:00 pm (ET) Wednesday, January 18, 2017. To apply, please scan and email the attached application with a current resume to Jason Kendall at jason.kendall@education.ky.gov. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jason Kendall via email or by phone at 502-564-2351.

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# COMPETITIVE GRANTS REVIEWER APPLICATION

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| City: |  |  State: |   |  | Zip: |  |
| Home Telephone: |  |  | Business Telephone: |  |
| Home E-Mail: |  |  | Business E-Mail: |  |
| Business Name and Address: |  |  |  |
| Please identify any times of the year for which you are unavailable to serve as a reviewer.  |
| Current Employment: |
| Highest Degree Received:  |
| Do you have any experience in reviewing local, state or federal competitive applications?  | * YES
 | * NO
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| Have you been involved in writing any local, state or federal competitive applications?  | * YES
 | * NO
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| Please check any of the following grants that you have reviewed or helped write. |
| * Mathematics Achievement Fund
* Even Start Family Literacy Grant
* Read to Achieve/Early Reading Incentive Grant
* Reading First Grant
* 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant
* Dropout Prevention Grant
* Comprehensive School Reform (CSR) Grant
* Family Resource/Youth Services Center Grant
 | * Kentucky Teacher Academy in the content area of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Reading/Mathematics Mentor Grants
* Arts Grant (any)
* Technology Grant (any)
* Substance Abuse/Prevention Grant (any)
* Mentoring Grant (any)
* Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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| Check the category for which you feel qualified to review. You may select more than one: * Reading/Writing/Language Arts
* Family Literacy
* Mathematics
* Science (List Area(s))
* Social Studies/History/Economics
* Health/Physical Education
* Career/Technical Education
* Humanities/Foreign Language
* Arts - Visual and/or Performing
* Educational Technology
* Professional Development
* School Reform
* After-School Programs
* Educational Leadership
* Other (Specify in box at right.)
 | Check the level(s) at which you have experience and the number of years of experience at that level. |
| Level | Years of Experience |
| Early Childhood/Preschool |  |
| Primary (K-3) |  |
| Intermediate |  |
| Middle |  |
| High |  |
| K-12 |  |
| Postsecondary |  |
| Out of School Programming |  |
| List Other Areas of Expertise. |

* **Retired Kentucky Educator in the Kentucky Teachers’ Retirement System (KTRS)**

A CURRENT RESUME MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION