

Office of Inter-Governmental Relations, Professional Learning & Accountability

TEACHERS OF TOMORROW GRANT

SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS AND BILINGUAL EDUCATION TUITION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

AVAILABLE NOW FOR 2024-2025





APPLY ONLINE BY APRIL 4, 2025



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QUESTIONS:

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Science, Mathematics and Bilingual Education Tuition Reimbursement Program

<u>Purpose</u>: The purpose of the Science, Mathematics and Bilingual Education Tuition Reimbursement Program is to provide funds to school districts to reimburse teachers for courses taken towards meeting requirements for a transitional certificate to teach science, mathematics or bilingual education in a low-performing school. This section provides an initial tuition reimbursement award of \$4,000 per year (or the actual annual tuition cost of the approved program, whichever is less) and is renewable for one additional year. The total of all awards to a recipient may not exceed \$8,000 or the total tuition cost of the approved program. There is a one-year service agreement for each award given. These awards shall be given in addition to and are **NOT** part of the teacher's base salary.

Definition:

Approved program: An approved program is a registered program for the preparation of teachers at an accredited New York State institution of higher education that is taken towards meeting requirements for initial or professional certification to teach in the public schools of the state.

Eligible Applicants:

School districts may apply for funds to provide tuition reimbursement to teachers who must meet all three requirements:

- who have received or will receive a transitional certificate to teach science, mathematics, or bilingual education
- who will be employed full-time for the school year for which the award is to be made.
- who agree to teach in a low-performing school as a condition of receiving the award.

Allowable Expenses:

Funds may be used for tuition for courses required for initial or professional certification. Teachers can receive a second award provided that:

• The teacher still has courses required for initial/professional certification

Non-allowable Expenses:

- Funds may NOT be used for professional development courses required to fulfill the 175 hours of Continuing Teacher and Leader Education (CTLE) Requirements. See http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/175.html
- Funds may **NOT** be used for courses in excess of those required for professional
- certification.
- Funds may NOT be used for fringe benefits or indirect or administrative costs on the awards.