



Ohio Child Care
Resource & Referral
Association

21st Century Community Learning Center Glossary

- **CBO – Community-Based Organization:** often refers to non-profit community organizations such as settlement houses, Boys & Girls Clubs, museums, etc. It can also be a local sports franchise, a law enforcement group, an arts council or even a fraternal organization such as the Rotary Club.
- **Collaboration:** working together to jointly deliver services and programs for one purpose.
- **Consortium:** A group of organizations sharing in the finances and/or administration of a single grant.
- **Direct Costs:** Expenses that are associated with the operation of a project and that are itemized by categories specified as allowable under the grant or contract.
- **Expanded Learning Opportunities** - help improve outcomes for children by providing expanded academic enrichment and engagement, leveraging community resources to offer instruction and experiential learning opportunities in core and other subjects. ELOs incorporate strategies such as hands-on learning, working in teams and problem-solving to contribute to a well-rounded education. Services may be delivered through a variety of approaches, including afterschool, before school, summer and extended day, week or year programs. Partnerships between schools and community organizations are at the core of strong ELOs. (*Afterschool Alliance*)
- **Extended Learning Opportunities** – is an emerging concept that begins with a school site extending its daily hours or school year. The models currently being tested take many forms, from simply increased classroom time, or an extended day, to more innovative models that build off the successes of afterschool programs and leverage the resources of community partners. The research varies by model and is early in its development. The variance of models makes it hard to gauge public support; however, in general, parents are not widely supportive of more classroom time (*Afterschool Alliance*). Often the terms Expanded Learning and Extended Learning are used interchangeably.
- **Fiscal Agent:** The Fiscal Agent is defined as the agency or organization that serves as the contract administrator for the grant. The Fiscal Agent will often be responsible for

6660 Doubletree Ave. Suite 11
Columbus, OH 43229
614-396-5959 • 877-547-6978
614-396-5960 Fax • occrra.org



Ohio Child Care
Resource & Referral
Association

- providing the appropriate payroll, sub-contracting and relevant accounting procedures associated with the grant.
- **Grant read:** a group of individuals that read through submitted grants, each grant is scored with a scoring device or rubric to obtain an overall score.
 - **Indicator:** a quantifiable measurement that can be taken over time to track progress. An indicator provides evidence that a certain condition exists or certain results have or have not been achieved. Indicators enable decision-makers to assess progress towards the achievement of intended outputs, outcomes, goals, and objectives.
 - **Indirect Costs:** The costs associated with the impact or consequences of running a program. Costs that are not readily identified as direct project / program expenditures (i.e., accounting services, space, utilities).
 - **In-Kind Services:** A contribution of property, supplies, or services that are contributed without charge to the program.
 - **IRN – Internal Retrieval Number:** a number used by the Ohio Department of Education as a unique identifier of various types of school-related entities within Ohio. This number is frequently needed to access Ohio Department of Education data.
 - **LEA- Local Education Agency:** refers to a school district or educational service center that is responsible for providing education services to students.
 - **Letter of Intent:** The purpose of the Letter of Intent is to allow for proper Grant Read planning and to ensure both the applicant and primary partner have discussed and agreed to a 21st CCLC partnership, program goals and embrace an active role in the 21st CCLC program.
 - **License:** A document issued by the Ohio Department of Education or Ohio Department of Job and Family Services to a person, a group of people, school district or corporation who has met the state minimum standards for child care, which allows them to legally operate a school age program.
 - **Needs Assessment:** An analysis that studies the needs of a specific group, presents the results in a written statement detailing those needs (such as training needs, needs for health services, etc.), and identifies the actions required to fulfill these needs, for the purpose of program development and implementation.

6660 Doubletree Ave. Suite 11
Columbus, OH 43229
614-396-5959 • 877-547-6978
614-396-5960 Fax • occrra.org



Ohio Child Care
Resource & Referral
Association

- **O-QAR – Ohio’s Quality Assessment Rubric:** The O-QAR instrument is an assessment tool for 21st CCLC programs and is comprised of three parts. O-QAR Part I helps 21st CCLC’s assess the extent to which they are in *compliance* with state and federal regulations. Part II helps sites assess the *quality* of implementation across various programming and oversight areas within the 21st CCLC. Part III assists 21st CCLC’s in determining the perceptions of how well the 21st CCLC is getting to good outcomes.
- **PPICS - Profile and Performance Information Collection System:** U.S. Department of Education data collection system for 21st CCLC’s. A Web-based data-collection system designed to capture information regarding state-administered 21st CCLC Programs.
- **RFA – Request for Application:** Term used when an entity is accepting proposals for grants or contracts that indicates the availability of funding. The announcement generally includes the amount of funds available, the number of awards likely to be made, and a unique deadline for applications.
- **Rubric:** A guide for judgment or scoring, a description of expectations.
- **SAFE account- Secure Application For Enterprise:** A Web Portal and a "single sign on" software security solution for Ohio Department of Education customers.
<https://safe.ode.state.oh.us/portal/>
- **SBR – Scientifically-Based Research:** A phrase often associated with No Child Left Behind. To meet the NCLB definition of scientifically based research, curriculum must: employ systematic, empirical methods that draw on observation or experiment; involve rigorous data analyses that are adequate to test the stated hypotheses and justify the general conclusions; rely on measurements or observational methods that provide valid data across evaluators and observers, and across multiple measurements and observations; and be accepted by a peer-reviewed journal or approved by a panel of independent experts through a comparatively rigorous, objective, and scientific review.
- **SES – Supplemental Educational Services:** Refers to free extra academic help, such as tutoring or remedial help, that is provided to students in subjects such as reading, language arts, and math. This extra help can be provided before or after school, on weekends, or in the summer. Low-income families can enroll their child in supplemental

6660 Doubletree Ave. Suite 11
Columbus, OH 43229
614-396-5959 • 877-547-6978
614-396-5960 Fax • occrra.org



Ohio Child Care
Resource & Referral
Association

educational services if their child attends a Title I school that has been designated by the state to be in need of improvement for more than one year.

<http://education.ohio.gov/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=1511&ContentID=1908>

- **STARS- System To Achieve Results for Students:** STARS is a Web-based application that provides for planning and management of professional development and technical assistance programs for Ohio educators. You will use your SAFE account to access STARS.
- **Sub-recipient:** A third-party organization performing a portion of a grant project. The terms of the relationship are typically documented in a Memorandum of Agreement / Understanding. The funder holds the grant awardee responsible for all actions taken by both the awardee and the Sub-recipient.
- **Sustainability:** The ability to meet the current needs of the organization and program, while actively preparing for future needs

6660 Doubletree Ave. Suite T1
Columbus, OH 43229
614-396-5959 • 877-547-6978
614-396-5960 Fax • occrra.org

Enhancing Ohio's System of Quality Care and Learning