



Michigan School Business Officials

A Guide to Navigating Grants for Education

Webinar Series

January 7, 2025
February 11, 2025
March 18, 2025

This webinar series is designed to guide Michigan educators, administrators, and school finance staff through the essential aspects of managing K-12 grants, from initial application to final reporting. Each session in this series will equip you with the tools to manage school grants effectively and confidently, enabling your school or district to maximize its funding potential and support educational excellence.

Tuesday, January 7, 2025, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

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| 1:00 – 1:10 pm | Overview and MSBO Update <i>Jason Helsen, MSBO, and Kevin Walters, Michigan Department of Education</i> |
| 1:10 – 1:40 pm | Overview of Michigan K-12 Grants – MDE Perspective <i>Kevin Walters, Michigan Department of Education</i> |
| 1:40 – 2:20 pm | Administration of Grants – Experienced Practitioner Perspective <i>Julie Davis, Forest Hills Public Schools</i> |
| 2:20 – 3:00 pm | The Importance of District Grant Procedures <i>Derrick Stair, Portland Public Schools</i> |
| 3:00 pm | Wrap Up <i>Jason Helsen, MSBO</i> |



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Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

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| 1:00 – 1:20 pm | Overview of Michigan K-12 Grants – MDE Perspective <i>Kevin Walters, Michigan Department of Education</i> |
| 1:20 – 1:45 pm | Indirect Cost Recovery Basics – MDE Perspective <i>Jessica Beagle, Michigan Department of Education</i> |
| 1:45 – 2:20 pm | State Grants Repository – Keeping Track of Grants and Staff by Funding Source <i>David Hundt, Muskegon Area ISD, Michigan Association of State and Federal Program Specialists</i> |
| 2:20 – 3:00 pm | Automating Grant Budgets and Making Applications Easier <i>Rene Cope, Ottawa Area ISD</i> |
| 3:00 pm | Wrap Up <i>Jason Helsen, MSBO</i> |

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

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| 1:00 – 1:30 pm | Overview of Michigan K-12 Grants – MDE Perspective <i>Kevin Walters, Michigan Department of Education</i> |
| 1:30 – 2:00 pm | Accounting for Grants – MDE Perspective <i>Christopher May, Michigan Department of Education</i> |
| 2:00 – 3:00 pm | Grants from the Auditor Perspective <i>Jeffrey Staley, Maner Costerisan</i> |
| 3:00 pm | Wrap Up <i>Jason Helsen, MSBO</i> |