

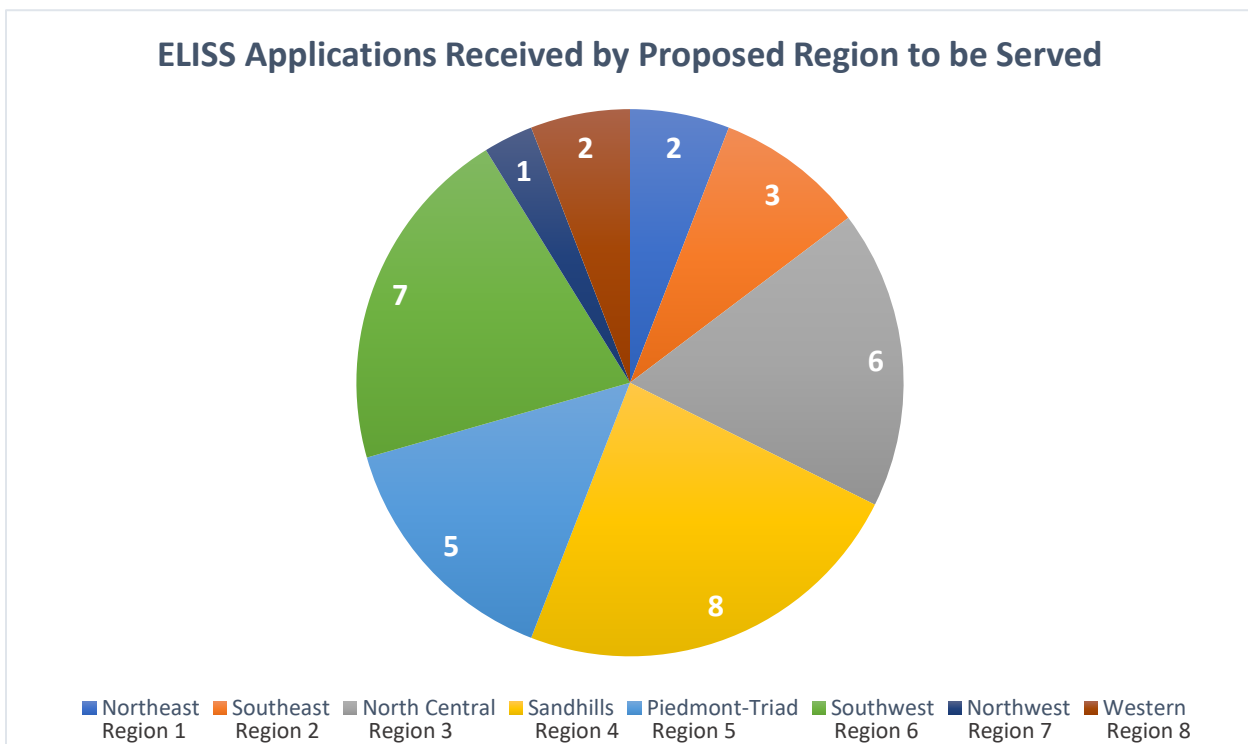
2023-2025 Extended Learning and Integrated Student Supports (ELISS) Competitive Grant Program

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) opened CCIP on December 18, 2023, through January 17, 2024, to accept applications for the 2023-2025 Extended Learning and Integrated Student Supports (ELISS) Competitive Grant Program funded through the North Carolina General Assembly 2023-2025 biennial budget.

The purpose of the ELISS Competitive Grant Program is to fund high-quality, independently validated extended learning and integrated student support service programs for at-risk students¹ that are likely to raise standards for student academic outcomes.

Thirty-four applications proposing to serve eight State Board of Education (SBE) Regions were received and reviewed. Figure 1 shows the distribution of proposed programs by SBE Region.

Figure 1: Applications Received by Proposed Region to be Served*



* No applications were received from SBE Region 7; however, an application from a Region 8 organization proposed program sites serving Region 7.

¹ § G.S. H259-7.63.(c) Programs should focus on serving (i) at-risk students not performing at grade level as demonstrated by statewide assessments, (ii) students at risk of dropout, and (iii) students at risk of school displacement due to suspension or expulsion as a result of antisocial behaviors.

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The full list of 34 applications received are shown by SBE Region to be served in Table I.

Table I. Applications Reviewed for the 2023-2025 ELISS Competitive Grant Program

Org Code	Organization Name	County Served	Region Served
'C41'	United Way of Pitt County	Pitt	1
'C67'	Communities In Schools of North Carolina	Halifax	1
'A05'	CIS of Brunswick County	Brunswick	2
'A39'	Communities In Schools of Cape Fear	New Hanover & Pender	2
'F10'	Diversity Nurtures Achievements Community Youth Center	Duplin	2
'C39'	Communities In Schools of Wake County	Wake	3
'NL507'	Helping Education	Wake	3
'NL434'	Hill Learning Center	Durham	3
'A43'	RAM Organization	Durham, Wake, Mecklenburg	3
'C18'	Student U	Durham	3
'NL571'	Urban Sustainability Solutions Inc	Durham, Orange, Wake	3
'NL177'	Communities In Schools of Cumberland County	Cumberland	4
'C62'	Communities In Schools of Montgomery County	Montgomery	4
'E13'	Communities In Schools of Robeson County	Robeson	4
'E25'	Living in Authority Ministries	Cumberland	4
'E03'	Northern Moore Family Resource Center	Moore	4
'C26'	Partners In Ministry	Scotland	4
'C34'	Project Outreach, Inc.	Sampson	4
'C56'	Robeson County Parks & Recreation Dept.	Robeson	4
'E07'	Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater High Point	Guilford	5
'NL570'	Communities In Schools of High Point	Guilford	5
'E29'	Communities in Schools of Randolph County	Randolph	5
'NL421'	Communities in Schools of Thomasville	Davidson	5
'C14'	Operation Xcel	Guilford	5
'C50'	Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County	Cabarrus	6
'C05'	Boys and Girls Clubs of the Piedmont	Iredell	6
'C63'	CIS Rowan	Rowan	6
'NL566'	Communities In Schools of Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Inc.	Mecklenburg	6
'NL567'	Legacy Empowerment Center	Mecklenburg	6
'NL565'	Rise Afterschool	Mecklenburg	6
'NL569'	Superlative Foundation	Mecklenburg	6
'A86'	YMCA of Western North Carolina	McDowell	7
'F02'	Boys & Girls Club of Henderson County	Henderson	8
'E11'	Children First/Communities in Schools of Buncombe County	Buncombe	8

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In accordance with the RFP, two ELISS grants could be awarded per SBE region served pending submission of quality applications by at least two eligible organizations in the SBE Region and following Level I and Level II reviews. As shown in Figure 1, only one application was received serving Region 7. As two or more applications were received serving Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8, and met eligibility and quality requirements, a total of 15 applications for ELISS programs serving eight SBE Regions are recommended for funding. The total proposed award* across the two years is \$10,700,732.

Table II. Applications Recommended for Funding

Org Code	Organization Name	Region Served	Total Score	YR1 Funding Request	YR2 Funding Request
'C41'	United Way of Pitt County	1	77.33	\$500,000	\$500,000
'C67'	Communities In Schools of North Carolina	1	68.00	\$126,732	\$135,732
'A39'	Communities In Schools of Cape Fear	2	71.67	\$183,681	\$499,986
'A05'	CIS of Brunswick County	2	65.67	\$222,300	\$340,956
'NL434'	Hill Learning Center	3	80.67	\$61,297	\$341,455
'A43'	RAM Organization	3	74.67	\$492,000	\$492,000
'C62'	Communities In Schools of Montgomery County	4	87.33	\$499,358	\$499,563
'C26'	Partners In Ministry	4	83.00	\$350,000	\$500,000
'E07'	Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater High Point	5	75.33	\$158,018	\$409,359
'C14'	Operation Xcel	5	66.67	\$206,104	\$499,054
'C50'	Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County	6	87.00	\$500,000	\$500,000
'C63'	CIS Rowan	6	79.33	\$333,141	\$333,141
'A86'	YMCA of Western North Carolina	7	78.00	\$500,000	\$500,000
'E11'	Children First/Communities in Schools of	8	66.00	\$366,573	\$480,573
'F02'	Boys & Girls Club of Henderson County	8	52.00	\$40,372	\$129,130
Total		15		\$4,539,576	\$6,160,949

* Final award amounts may be adjusted somewhat after a budget review with the NCDPI Office of Federal Programs.

The 15 applications recommended for funding propose to serve a total of 13,193 students across the two years to provide Multi-Tiered II and/or III Integrated Student Supports during the school day (and in some cases, during after school), as well as providing Tier I Core Student Supports during afterschool and summer. A summary profile of the number of applications by programming is listed in Table III.

Table III. Profile Summary of Recommended Applications

SBE Region	Number of Applications Recommended	No. Students to be Served YR 1	YR 1 ISS	(Afterschool /Summer) YR 1 EL	No. Students to be Served YR2	YR 2 ISS	(Afterschool /Summer) YR 2 EL
1	2	1,040	YY	YN/YN	1,040	YY	YN/YN
2	2	570	YY	NN/NY	1,275	YY	NN/NY
3	2	279	YY	NY/NY	350	YY	YY/YY
4	2	626	YN	YY/YY	701	YY	YY/YY
5	2	340	YY	YY/YY	360	YY	YY/YY
6	2	625	YY	YN/YN	625	Y	YN/YN
7	1	419	Y	N/N	429	Y	Y/Y
8	2	2,257	NY	YY/YN	2,257	Y	YY/YN
Totals	15	6,156			7,037		

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Eight of the 14 applications recommended for funding propose to serve students in an alternative school or program in eight different counties across six SBE regions. Table IV provides a list of recommended applications that propose to serve alternative schools or programs.

Table IV. Applications Recommended for Funding Proposing to Serve Alternative Schools or Programs

Org Code	Organization Name	County Served	Region Served
'C41'	United Way of Pitt County	Pitt	1
'A39'	Communities In Schools of Cape Fear	New Hanover	2
'NL434'	Hill Learning Center	Durham	3
'C62'	Communities In Schools of Montgomery County	Montgomery	4
'C26'	Partners In Ministry	Scotland	4
'E07'	Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater High Point	Guilford	5
'C50'	Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County	Cabarrus	6
'C63'	CIS Rowan	Rowan	6
Total		8	6

Of the remaining 19 applications, five were not considered for funding and 14 were not recommended for funding. As shown in Table IV, of the applications not considered for funding, one applicant withdrew their application from consideration during the Level I (peer) review process due to a recent change in leadership. Four other applications were identified during the Level II (Quality and Technical) review process as not eligible for funding with one application being from a county government agency², and three applications not meeting the absolute priority requirement³ of serving mostly low-performing schools⁴.

Table V. Applications Not Considered for Funding

Org Code	Organization Name	Region	Final Score	Reason Not Considered
'NL421'	Communities in Schools of Thomasville	5	None	Withdrew application
'C56'	Robeson County Parks & Recreation Dept.	4	59.33	Government agency not eligible
'NL507'	Helping Education	3	69.00	Did not meet absolute priority
'C34'	Project Outreach	4	68.33	Did not meet absolute priority
'E29'	Communities in Schools of Randolph Co.	5	50.00	Did not meet absolute priority

² § G.S. H259-7.63.(c) Grants shall be used to award funds for new or existing eligible programs for at-risk students operated by (i) nonprofit corporations and (ii) nonprofit corporations working in collaboration with local school administrative units. (p. 125).

Nonprofit corporations, and nonprofit corporations working in collaboration with local education agencies (LEAs) are eligible to apply for the 2023-2025 ELISS Competitive Grant Program to implement new or existing eligible programs for at-risk students. This **does** restrict stand-alone applications from LEAs, charter schools, lab schools, or other governmental or educational agencies. (2023-2025 Extended Learning and Integrated Student Supports (ELISS) Competitive Grant Program Request for Proposals, p 4).

³ Priority consideration shall be given to applications demonstrating models that focus services and programs in schools that are identified as State low-performing (that is, at a minimum, 51% of schools served must be low-performing). [Refer to the State low-performing schools 2022-23 list.](#) (2023-2025 Extended Learning and Integrated Student Supports (ELISS) Competitive Grant Program Request for Proposals, p. 10).

⁴ § G.S. 115C-105.37 Low-performing schools are those that earn an overall school performance grade of D or F and a school growth score of "met expected growth" or "not met expected growth" as defined by G.S. 115C-83.15.

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See Table VI for details of the 15 eligible applications not recommended for funding based on lower rank-order scores within the region.

Table VI. Eligible Applications Not Recommended for Funding

Org Code	Organization Name	County Served	Region Served	Total Score
'F10'	Diversity Nurtures Achievements Community Youth	Duplin	2	59.67
'C18'	Student U	Durham	3	72.33
'C39'	Communities In Schools of Wake County	Wake	3	54.67
'NL571'	Urban Sustainability Solutions Inc	Durham, Orange, Wake	3	48.33
'NL177'	Communities In Schools of Cumberland County	Cumberland	4	69.67
'E13'	Communities In Schools of Robeson County	Robeson	4	70.33
'E03'	Northern Moore Family Resource Center	Moore	4	69.33
'E25'	Living in Authority Ministries	Cumberland	4	64.00
'NL570'	Communities In Schools of High Point	Guilford	5	47.00
'NL567'	Legacy Empowerment Center	Mecklenburg	6	77.00
'C05'	Boys and Girls Clubs of the Piedmont	Iredell	6	75.67
'NL565'	Rise Afterschool	Mecklenburg	6	74.33
'NL566'	Communities In Schools of Charlotte-Mecklenburg,	Mecklenburg	6	71.33
'NL569'	Superlative Foundation	Mecklenburg	6	59.67