



Executive Office
of Education 2021
Summer Camp
Request for
Proposals

Apply Today for an EOE Funded Grant for Summer Camps that Serve Children in Massachusetts!

The COVID-19 global pandemic has significantly affected youth with both in- and out-of-school time. In particular, numerous summer camp programs in 2020 were forced to altogether forego programming or pivot to virtual sessions, whereas those who were able to open were thrust into quickly needing to overhaul their practices to comply with safety measures for campers and staffers.

It is vital to support camps so that they can safely carry out practices and activities for fulfilling and exciting experiences for youth during the summer months. Summer camps provide a lifeline for social and learning engagements, and families depend on such programs to ensure their children are participating in safe activities and environments outside of the school year. Pursuant to Chapter 124 of the Acts of 2020, the Executive Office of Education (EOE) is making funding available for operational support of summer camps that operate in June, July, and/or August 2021.

Who can apply:

- Summer programs including day and overnight camps that are MA-based and serve youth that reside in the state (ages 5 through 13 for all day and overnight camps, or up to age 16 for children with special needs).
- Camp programs that specifically seek to address learning loss and social-emotional development supports are encouraged to apply.
- Additionally, the Commonwealth has identified 20 cities and towns that have experienced the greatest COVID-19 case burden, considering social determinants of health and the disproportionate impact on Black, Indigenous, Asian, Latinx, and other communities of color (<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccine-equity-initiative>). Camp programs that serve youth and children who reside in these towns are also encouraged to apply.

Deadlines:

Applications Due: May 17th, 2021 at noon EST
Funding Decisions Announced: Week of June 14th, 2021

Learn More & Apply At:

<https://hria.org/summer-camp-grants/>
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