Superintendent,

We are pleased to announce the **SIG Cohort 5** grant opportunity.

This is a unique 2-year opportunity for funds to implement <u>whole school reform</u>. LEAs and schools can select from the Transformation, Turnaround, Early Learning or Evidence Based Whole School Reform Models.

This grant is highly competitive and will fund up to 15 schools. Grant allocations are between \$50,000 and \$400,000 depending on school size, model chosen, demonstrated needs and Integrated Action Plans. CSI Funds will be available for a Year 3 sustainability grant for LEAs and schools who successfully achieve dramatic improvements in years 1 and 2.

Attached is the guidance and the grant application (which will be in Grant Management Enterprise on March 1, 2019).

An information webinar will be posted on January 11, 2019.

A letter of intent is required from the LEA. It must be submitted to Trish Geraghty trish.geraghty@azed.gov no later than February 15, 2019. The letter must include a statement of intent to apply for the SIG grant, the schools that will be included and the LEA's and schools' statements of commitment to implement whole school reform dedicated to quick turnaround improvement.



Please contact your specialist, the supportandinnovationinbox@azed.gov, Trish Geraghty, Director trish.geraghty@azed.gov or Devon Isherwood, Deputy Associate Superintendent devon.isherwood@azed.gov if you have questions.