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2026 Federal Programs Institute

Extended Learning Project Directors Institute

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Agenda

- Welcome
- Schedule for the Institute
- State of Extended Learning
 - Summits Reached
 - Trails Ahead



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Welcome



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We are glad You are Here!

- Welcome back to our returning 21st CCLC Cohorts!
- Welcome to our new LEAPs grantees!



Meet the Extended Learning (ExL) Team

- Anessa Ladd, Extended Learning Grant Manager
- Mario Pennington, Federal Grants Manager
- Artina Fossett, Administrative Assistant
- UT SWORPS

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Project Directors Institute

Schedule of Events

Schedule: Day 1-Morning Session

- Day 1: Breakout Sessions
 - 8:50 a.m.-10:20 a.m.
 1. **A-M: Charting the Route: Programming Essentials (Room A)**
 - Presenter: Anessa Ladd, Extended Learning Grant Manager
 2. **N-Z: Fueling the Climb: Budgets and Fiscal Management (Room B)**
 - Presenter: Mario Pennington and Artina Fossett
 - 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
 1. **A-M: Fueling the Climb: Budgets and Fiscal Management (Room B)**
 - Presenter: Mario Pennington and Artina Fossett
 2. **N-Z: Charting the Route: Programming Essentials (Room A)**
 - Presenter: Anessa Ladd, Extended Learning Grant Manager

Schedule-Day 1-Afternoon Session

- Day 1: Breakout Sessions
 - Round 1 (1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.)
 - A-M: Packing the Gear: ELAP & Grantee Templates (Room A)
 - N-Z: Checking the Trail Markers: Data Quality & Best Practices (Room B)
 - Break/Room Rotation (2:30 p.m.- 2:40 p.m.)
 - Round 2 (2:40 p.m.-3:40 p.m.)
 - A-M: Checking the Trail Markers: Data Quality & Best Practices (Room B)
 - N-Z: Packing the Gear: ELAP & Grantee Templates (Room A)
- Special Session(3:50-4:30 p.m.)-**21st CCLC Grantees Only**
 - **Navigating the Path: Equitable Services Toolkit**
 - Michelle Harless, Federal Programs Ombudsman

Schedule: Day 2-General Sessions

- Day 2: 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
 - **Building a Strong Basecamp: Standards for School-Administered Child Care Programs (LEAPs & 21st CCLC)**
 - Chris Whitehead, Director of Early Childhood Quality and Support

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Schedule: Day 2: General Sessions

- Day 2: 9:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
 - **Mapping the Journey: Academic/Enrichment Lesson Planning**
 - Presenters: Obion County Schools and Gibson County Special School District
 - **Trail Talk: An Extended Learning Panel Discussion**
 - Family Engagement, Staffing Sustainability, Regular Attendees, Community Partners-All grantees
 - Presenters: Committee of Practitioners (CoP Team)
 - **Reaching New Heights: Closing Remarks**
 - Presenter: Anessa Ladd, Extended Learning Grant Manager

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State of Extended Learning

Focus Areas of Growth

Summits Reached- Celebrating Student Engagement in ExL

- **Regular Attendees Goal**
 - Programs will meet or exceed the required number of regular attendees based on the allocation formula.



Regular Attendees

- 21st CCLC
 - Served a total of 23,875 students in FY26
 - Out of the total served, **62%** (15,345) were Regular Attendees as compared to 57% in FY25
 - Based on the Allocation Formula, 21st CCLC Grantees were expected to serve 15,184 Regular Attendees. In FY26, grantees exceeded the target by 161 students, a significant improvement from FY25 when grantees fell 1,654 below the target.
 - **71%** (80) of 21st CCLC Grantees **met** their Regular Attendees Goal in FY26 as compared to 42% (50) in FY25
 - **30%** (34) of 21st CCLC Grantees **did not meet** their Regular Attendees Goal in FY26 as compared to **58%** (69) in FY25



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Regular Attendees (cont.)

- LEAPs
 - Served a total of 12,404 students in FY26
 - Out of the total served, **65%** (8,090) were Regular Attendees as compared to 58% in FY25
 - Based on the Allocation Formula, LEAPs Grantees should have served 8,157 Regular Attendees. FY26 participation was (67) students lower than FY25.
 - **66%** (37) of 21st CCLC Grantees **met** their Regular Attendees Goal in FY26 as compared to 35% (20) in FY25
 - **34%** (19) of 21st CCLC Grantees **did not meet** their Regular Attendees Goal in FY26 as compared to **64%** (69) in FY25



Trails Ahead-Focus Areas for Growth in ExL

- **Regular Attendees**
 - Programs will meet or exceed the required number of regular attendees based on the allocation formula.
- **Program Activities**
 - Programs will offer a broad array of academic and enrichment activities daily.
- **Fiscal Management**
 - Programs will spend funds appropriately and draw down funds timely.



Program Activities

Site activities should include both academic and enrichment daily.

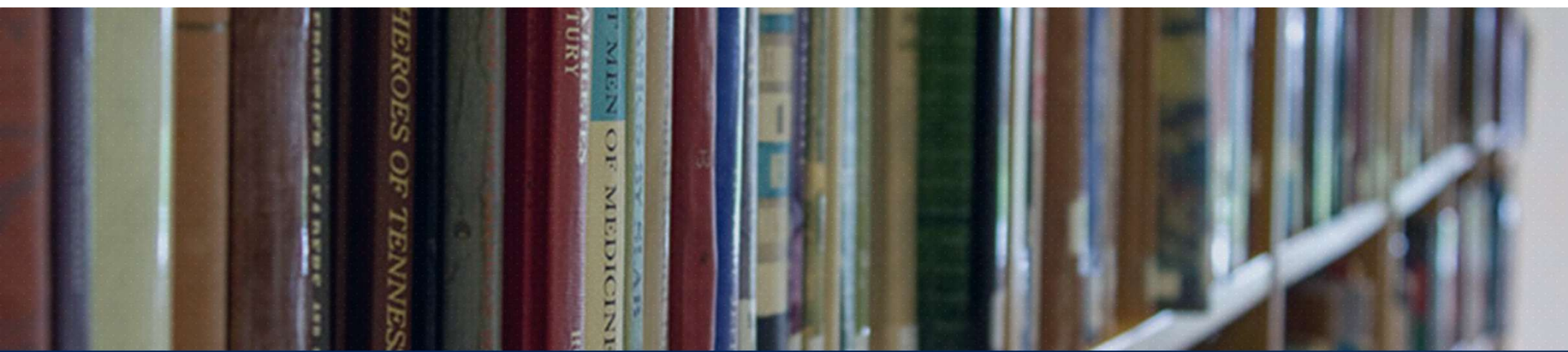
- **Best practices for the academic session**
 - 45-60 minutes in length
 - Hands-on manipulatives utilized
 - Focus on Math and Reading/Language Arts
- **Best practices for enrichment session**
 - 30-45 minutes in length
 - Variety of activities which could include STEM, art, music
 - 60 minutes per week (not per day) of structured physical activity
 - Enrichment is scheduled and provided to staff



Fiscal Management

- Grant funds are spent appropriately on allowable activities.
- Grantee funds are drawn down from ePlan monthly starting Oct. 1 for a minimum of 8 drawdowns per year.
- Grantee expends 90% of funds during the grant cycle.





Thank you!

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