

Topical Heading

Technical Assistance

Program Title

Regional Technical Support and Professional Development Consortia for Technology

Also Known as

Regional Technology in Education Consortia, R*TECs

CFDA # (or ED #)

84.302A

Administering Office

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE)

Who May Apply (by category)

Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs), Nonprofit Organizations, State Education Agencies (SEAs)

Who May Apply (specifically)

Regional consortia composed of SEAs, IHEs, nonprofit organizations, or a combination of such entities may apply.

Current Competitions

None. This program is no longer funded.

Type of Assistance (by category)

Discretionary/Competitive Grants

Appropriations

Fiscal Year 2004	\$9,876,383
Fiscal Year 2005	\$0
Fiscal Year 2006	\$0

Note: This program is no longer authorized. It has been replaced by the Comprehensive Centers Program (# 84.283B).

Fiscal Year 2006 Awards Information

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 0

Legislative Citation

20 U.S.C. 9604.

Program Regulations

EDGAR; 34 CFR 299 and 700

Program Description

The program supported 10 regional centers that disseminate information and resources and provide professional development and technical assistance to SEAs, local education agencies (LEAs), and schools that serve large numbers of disadvantaged students who have limited access to technology.

Types of Projects

Funds were used by the consortia to support preservice and in-service training for educators. Funds also support technology planning assistance and the dissemination of information and resources. The consortia identify and disseminate information on: first, planning for the acquisition of technology; second, research and development (R&D) solutions; and third, applications of technology that improve instruction and student learning. The consortia seek out examples of technology usage that are replicable and widely applicable, and that can be scaled to future needs, capabilities, and uses.

The consortia provide services to both public and nonpublic schools, focusing on communities with little access to technology. No funds are provided directly to public or private schools.

Education Level (by category)

K-12

Subject Index

Distance Education, Elementary Secondary Education, Professional Development, Technical Assistance, Technology, Telecommunications

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