

**Topical Heading**

Telecommunications

**Program Title**

# Ready-to-Teach Grant Program

**Also Known as**

Telecommunications Demonstration Project for Mathematics

**CFDA # (or ED #)**

84.286

**Administering Office**

Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII)

**Who May Apply (by category)**

Nonprofit Organizations

**Who May Apply (specifically)**

For National Telecommunications Grants, nonprofit telecommunication entities or a partnership of such entities may apply. For Digital Educational Programming Grants, local telecommunications entities, as defined in Sec. 397(12) of the *Communications Act of 1934*, may apply. (For more on these two types of grants, see Program Description below.)

**Current Competitions**

None. FY 2008 funds support continuation awards.

**Type of Assistance (by category)**

Discretionary/Competitive Grants

**Appropriations**

Fiscal Year 2006 \$10,890,000

Fiscal Year 2007 \$10,890,000

Fiscal Year 2008 \$10,700,000

**Fiscal Year 2008 Awards Information**

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

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 0

Number of Continuation Awards: 2

Average Continuation Award: \$5,632,200

Range of Continuation Awards: \$4,400,000–\$6,827,000

**Legislative Citation**

*Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA)*, as amended, Title V, Part D, Subpart 8, Secs. 5481–5485; 20 *U.S.C. 7257–7257d*

**Program Regulations**

*EDGAR*; 34 *CFR* 74, 75, 77, 79, 81, 82, 84, 85, 86, 97, 98 and 99

**Program Description**

The Ready-to-Teach Grant Program supports two types of competitive grants to nonprofit telecommunications entities: (a) grants to carry out a national telecommunications-based program to improve teaching in core curriculum areas and (b) digital educational programming grants that enable eligible entities to develop, produce, and distribute educational and instructional video programming. National telecommunications-based program grants are generally five-year awards. Digital educational programming grants must last three years, require a match of not less than 100 percent from funded applicants, and must be based on challenging state academic content and student academic achievement standards in reading or mathematics.

**Types of Projects**

This program supports projects that promote online professional development for teachers in core curricular areas and projects that develop, distribute, and produce educational video programming.

**Education Level (by category)**

K–12, Postsecondary

**Subject Index**

Curriculum Development, Elementary Secondary Education, Mathematics, Professional Development, Standards, Telecommunications

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**Links to Related Web Sites**

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/readyteach/index.html>