RESOLUTION A “RESO A” PROGRAM

School Infrastructure Improvement

Audience: Principals, School Leaders, PTA, Grant Writers, Teachers

Overview

RESOLUTION A, known as “RESO A,” is a City Capital bond funding allocation program governed by the NYC Comptroller’s Office and sponsored by the City. (RESO A IS NOT A GRANT PROGRAM) The funding is directly sponsored by your local Borough President and geographical City Council members. School selection and funding allocated amounts to schools are under the sponsor’s discretion.

RESO A can pay for: Technology Projects, but limited to only Computer Labs, Laptops, Desktops, Whiteboards, Science Labs, Gymnasiums, Auditoriums, Playgrounds, Electrical work, Cabling, and Wireless Connection

RESO A cannot pay for: Salaries, Professional Development, Maintenance, Consumable Supplies, iPads, Chromebooks, e-Readers, AC Units, and Standalone Furniture

The minimal allocation for RESO A allocations are $35K per project.

RESOLUTION A FAQ’s

1. **How do I know if my school is a recipient of RESO A funding?**
   a. The sponsor normally sends out a commitment letter to the awarded school on July 1st. After the funding is pre-approved by the City, the Office of Capital and Grants Finance circulates the official approved list of awarded schools by way of the Principal’s Weekly and thru the Principal’s Portal. Within this communication you will be able to search by District and School ID to confirm if you are a recipient. If you have received an award letter and if it is not locate on the awarded list, you can scan the award letter and email it (resoA@schools.nyc.gov) in which the RESO A Program office will follow-up for confirmation

2. **If my school does not receive RESO A Funding, who should I talk to about possibly receiving funding?**
   a. The best resource to find which City Council member represents your school is [http://council.nyc.gov/html/members/members.shtml](http://council.nyc.gov/html/members/members.shtml). Schools whom wish to request funding must reach out to their respective sponsors directly. There is no internal DOE application process.
3. How do I approach my elected official for these funds?
   a. “Give them a call”—as a rule, elected officials are all eager to support their schools and students. They will often have a staff member whose responsibility is exclusively education issues or community affairs who will be happy to help.
   b. “Invite” the elected official to tour the school with you, visit your students and see where they can be helpful.

4. When should I ask?
   a. As a general rule, budget requests should be sent early in the calendar year. The city and state fiscal years end at different times (June 30 and March 31, respectively), but the major work on developing a budget begins at the start of the calendar year.

5. Why can’t I see the RESO A funding in my GALAXY budget?
   a. The RESO A funding is City Capital bond funding which is managed externally to the DOE and school’s budget.

6. What are the requirements for the implementation of the RESO A technology funding?
   a. The RESO A office issues yearly an Implementation Procedures document detailing the requirements and process for spending the allocation. This information is distributed via the Principal’s Weekly and thru the Principal’s Portal communiqué for RESO A.

7. How do I get started spending my school’s RESO A technology funding?
   a. Along with the Implementation Procedures document and validation under the allocation list, the RESO A online option form will be distributed in the Principal’s Weekly and also can be found within the Principal’s Portal. You will then be assigned by our office to a project integrator who will schedule a site survey to further discuss your project with the project guidelines and develop a preliminary equipment list and proposal (bill of materials and services).

8. Who is managing my RESO A allocation?
   a. DOE managed (via the Office of Capital & Grant Financial / Office of the CFO)
      DOE managed allocations generally fall into technology for existing schools with very minor to no additional cabling. This includes Laptops (with security) desktops, printers, networking peripherals, presentation stations, interactive white boards, lockdown devices etc. These allocations are currently managed by Program Manager, Graham Gordon (ggordon@schools.nyc.gov)
   b. School Construction Authority (SCA) managed (via the School Construction Authority)
      SCA managed allocations generally include new schools, HVAC Systems, auditorium upgrades, playgrounds, gymnasiums, Science labs (A+ carts), and minimal technology
implementation requiring major construction/cabling. These allocations are currently managed by Program Manager, Karen Maher (KMaher@nycsca.org)

9. *When can I expect to receive equipment for my school’s technology allocation?*
   a. If there is no construction or cabling/electrical work involved in your project, we estimate equipment arriving into your building within 45 business days.

For more information: ResoA@schools.nyc.gov

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