



Washington Office of Superintendent of **PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

Media Literacy Grant

1. **Purpose:**

Grant funding was provided to support the development and sharing of openly-licensed 2-4 week curriculum units focused on media literacy or digital citizenship, or both, that may be integrated into social studies, English languages arts, or health classes. The ultimate goal was to provide increased/enhanced media literacy and digital citizenship learning opportunities for all students.

2. **Description of services provided:**

Grant funding was provided to support travel for project teams to attend a one day grant kickoff that covered permitted use, attribution, applying an open license, and using the OER Commons Hub. In addition, grant funds were used for costs associated with planning meetings, providing professional development, or developing resources (e.g., substitutes, after work compensation in the form of stipends, etc.).

3. **Criteria for receiving services and/or grants:**

Grantees were selected based upon their readiness to support the development and sharing of openly-licensed 2-4 week curriculum units. Six teams were awarded full implementation funding ranging from \$13,000-25,000, and six teams received \$5,000 each for planning grants.

Beneficiaries in 2019-20 School Year:

Number of School Districts:	21	
Number of Schools:	25	
Number of Students:	2,000	
Number of Educators:	64	
Other: Educational Service District (1), charter school (1)		2

Number of OSPI staff associated with this funding (FTEs): 0

Number of contractors/other staff associated with this funding: 0

FY20 Funding: State Appropriation:	\$150,000
Federal Appropriation:	\$0
Other fund sources:	\$0

TOTAL (FY20) \$150,000

4. **Are federal or other funds contingent on state funding?**

No

Yes, please explain.

If state funds are not available, the state will not be eligible...

5. **State funding history:**

Fiscal Year	Amount Funded	Actual Expenditures
FY20	150,000	135,466

6. **Number of beneficiaries (e.g., school districts, schools, students, educators, other) history:**

Fiscal Year	Number of School Districts	Number of Schools	Number of Students	Number of Educators	Number of Other
FY20	21	25	2,000	64	2

7. **Programmatic changes since inception (if any):**

N/A

8. **Evaluations of program/major findings:**

34 openly-licensed curriculum units focused on media literacy or digital citizenship, that are integrated into social studies, English languages arts, or health were posted to the [Washington OER Commons Hub](#).

9. **Major challenges faced by the program:**

The COVID19 pandemic made it more challenging for grantee teams to meet in the spring of 2020, resulting in some grant funds not being fully expended.

10. **Future opportunities:**

Although the funding for 2020-21 was reduced to \$150,000 (removing the resources for the pre-conferences and media literacy champions), this funding will still support the creation and posting of additional resources to the WA OER Commons Hub.

11. **Statutory and/or budget language:**

Budget Proviso: ESSB 6168 \$150,000 of the general fund-state appropriation for fiscal year 2020 and \$220,000 of the general fund-state appropriation for fiscal year 2021 are provided solely for the office to establish the media literacy grant program.

- (a) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$70,000 of the general fund-state appropriation for fiscal year 2021 is provided solely for speaker costs, per diem and travel, and other expenses for five media literacy pre-conferences that coincide with the office's regional conferences in social studies, English language arts, health and technology.
- (b) The office shall develop a plan for identifying and supporting a group of one hundred media literacy champions across the state that are K-12 professionals that promote, support, and provide media literacy education in their school districts and report to the legislature by December 31,2020.

12. **Other relevant information:**

N/A

13. **Schools/districts receiving assistance:**

See [OSPI's Grantee List](#)

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