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TO: Educational Service District Superintendents
   School District Superintendents
   School District Curriculum Directors
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FROM: Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: Media Literacy Curriculum Development Grants

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PURPOSE/BACKGROUND

The 2019 legislature allocated $150,000 in state funds for 2019–2020 for the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish the media literacy grant program. These funds will be awarded through a competitive grant process to 6-10 school teams to develop and share 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. Grant applications are now available on iGrants Form Package 922, and are due by 4:00 pm on October 21. There will be an informational webinar on the grant application process on September 18, from 4:00-5:00 pm via Zoom. Register online for the webinar.

Submissions may come from a public school, district office, or ESD, and may include a partnership between multiple educational partners. Only one proposal may be submitted per organization. Curriculum development grant requests may not exceed $25,000, and most awards are anticipated to be in the $15,000 range. In addition, there is an option to apply for up to $5,000 for a planning grant, for educators that want to prepare a team to develop one or more such curricular units during 2020–2021 (there will be another grant application available in spring, 2020).

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE
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Attachment: 2019 Media Literacy Grants Application Information

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