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TO: Educational Service District Superintendents
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RE: T-12 Lighting Program Grant Funds

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T-12 Lighting Replacement Grant Funds

The 2022 Supplemental Capital Budget included \$1.5 million in grant funds for removal, disposal, and replacement of T-12 lighting fixtures and ballasts manufactured in or before 1979. Replacement of fixtures must be with energy-efficient LED lighting. Grant funds are available to all schools but buildings that are not under contract to be replaced or modernized will be prioritized to receive grant funds. State grant funding may only be provided after all applicable funding from utility company rebate programs available to schools in the state have been exhausted.

To receive grant funding, schools must provide documentation to OSPI showing (1) a certified electrician's report showing the number and location of PCB-containing lighting fixtures and ballasts manufactured before 1979 and (2) the age and primary use of each facility where the T-12 lighting fixtures and ballasts are located. There is no matching funds requirement. Schools can apply for grant funds for this program under Form Package 210 in iGrants.

Related T-12 Lighting Reimbursement Program

An additional funding opportunity is available through a joint program from the Washington State Departments of Health and Ecology. This program provides reimbursement vouchers for removing, disposing of, and replacing pre-1980 lighting that might contain polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). PCBs are often present in T-12 light fixtures manufactured before 1980. To apply for reimbursement or for more information about PCBs, eligibility, and limitations, please

see the [Ecology webpage](#) or contact Elinor Fanning at 360-236-3395 or elinor.fanning@doh.wa.gov.

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