Special Points of Interest

2011—2014 Grants

- Award letters (DOE 200) are now being processed. Plan your budget, but do not commit grant funds until you have received your award letter.
- Submit Procurement, Lottery, Conflict of Interest policies as soon as they are approved by your board.

2010—2013 Grants

- If still in Planning, contact your Grant Specialist. You should be in Imp. I at this point.
- If preparing to enter Imp. II, complete the Itemized Expenditure Report and Inventory Report, and update Attachment J. Draft a Budget Amendment to request remaining Implementation funds (and Planning funds if you bypassed Planning).

2009—2012 Grants

- Schools that opened in 2010 should be in Implementation I and moving into Implementation II.
- All others should be closed out. If not, submit your Itemized Expenditure Report and DOE 399 immediately.

New Budget Form for 2011-14 Schools —DOE 101s

A revised Budget Narrative form, the DOE 101s replaces the DOE 101. Grant recipients in the 2011-14 cohort are required to use the DOE 101s. Other schools may use either form.

The purpose of the Budget Narrative form is to describe clearly how CSP grant funds are being used to support the school’s program, and to provide sufficient detail to ensure the funds are correctly allocated. In addition to the information included on the earlier DOE 100, the new form adds four columns:

- Column 6 asks the percentage of funding allocated to the project (should be 100%).
- Columns 7, 8 and 9, reserved for use by the Grant Specialist, indicate whether fund use is allowable, reasonable and necessary.

For more information, click on: 101S Planning Budget Example and 101S Implementation Example, or call your Grants Specialist.

Florida Wins Federal CSP Grant

The School Choice office is pleased to announce that Florida is one of only two states to win the 2011 CSP Grant competition. Florida and New York State will each receive a five-year grant under the Charter School Program. Read the press release from the U.S. Department of Education.

Training / Resources

DOE-Sponsored CSP Trainings

- Budget Amendments & Detailed Documents Webinar — TBA.
- Florida Charter School Conference — November 14-16, Orlando.

CSP recipients are required to attend. For more information, go to www.charterschoolconference.com/.

Other Opportunities

- 2011 NACSA Leadership Conference — October 24-27, Amelia Island FL.

For more information, go to www.qualitycharters.org/events/2011-annual-leadership-conference.