



**2023-2026 Florida Public Charter Schools Grant Program (CSP)
Request for Proposal (RFP)- Established Operators
Planning, Program Design, and Implementation Grant**

Applicant Technical Assistance Webinar

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Introductions

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Agenda

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- Funding Authority
- Overview of Competition Process
 - Two Stage Application Process
 - Eligible Applicants
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Method of Answering FAQs

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- During the webinar all participants can type their questions within the *Questions* box.
- E-mail questions to charterschoolgrant@fldoe.org with “CSP Question” in the subject header by close of business on **Monday, September 11, 2023**.
- The Department will publish on our website FAQs with answers and recording of this webinar no later than Wednesday, September 13, 2023.



Funding Authority

Federal Funds: Title IV, Part C of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) (20 U.S.C. 7221-7221j).



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Overview of Competition Process

- Two Stage Application Process
- Eligible Applicants
- Stage I Proposal Requirements

Two Stage Application Process

- **Stage I:**
 - Open to all eligible applicants
 - Proposal (application) is submitted online via [Survey Monkey Apply](#)
- **Stage II:**
 - By invitation only
 - Proposal is submitted via Department's Office of Grants Management via the ShareFile system
 - Budgets submitted with proposals

Stage I - Eligible Applicants

Eligible Applicants must meet the following conditions:

1. Submitted a charter school application to a local school district using the Department's model charter school application (Form IEPC-M1, effective February 2016, or later) as adopted in State Board of Education Rule 6A-6.0786; **and**
2. Charter application has been approved by the district; **or** charter application is denied and pending an appeal.
3. **Must be an established operator.**
4. Applicants must open **no later than fall 2024.**

Eligible Applicants

Definition of an Established Operator:

- An applicant that has opened five or more public charter schools in Florida. This includes all charter schools opened, including those that subsequently closed.
- Note: If the applicant will work with a management company/education services provider that has operated five or more charter schools in Florida, the applicant is considered an Established Operator.

Eligible Applicants

Definition of an Established Operator, continued:

- If the applicant has an established **governing board (operated at least five schools) and an established management company/education service provider, the score will be based upon the schools operated by the governing board.**
- If the applicant's **governing board has not operated at least five charter schools in Florida, but will contract with a management company/education service provider that has, the score will be based upon the schools managed by the management company/education service provider.**
- Each calculation will be rounded to one decimal place.

Stage I - Proposal Requirements

- Eligibility Form
- Overview Form
 - Census tract number must be provided here for opportunity zone preference points, if applicable.
- Charter School Application
 - The charter school application submitted as part of this CSP proposal must be the exact application submitted to the district for its review and approval.
 - Revisions/updates are not permitted.

Stage I - Proposal Requirements

Proposal Requirements, continued

- Attachments A-Z from the model charter school application, as applicable
- Addenda A, A1, B from the model charter school application, as applicable
- Addenda AA-FF from the model charter school application, as applicable
- Attestation

Stage I - Proposal Requirements

Proposal Requirements, continued

- Stage I proposals do not need Superintendent signature.
- A grant budget is not required.
- Please provide a searchable PDF document (not a scanned copy).

Stage I - Proposal Requirements

Online Submission

- Submit online via Survey Monkey Apply:
https://flcsp-apply.smapply.io/prog/2023CSP_established_operators/
- Stage I proposal due by **Wednesday, September 20, 2023, 5:00 pm** Eastern Time (ET).
- The due date refers to the date and time the proposal must be fully submitted through the Survey Monkey Apply online application system.



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Stage I Method of Review

The Department utilizes separate and distinct review processes for **established operators** (operators who have opened at least five charter schools in Florida) and **new operators** (operators who have opened less than five charter schools in Florida).

Stage I Review

- Evaluation and scoring is based primarily upon past performance of network
 - Value Added Score
 - School Grades
 - High Need
 - Percentage of schools that are Title I
 - Percentage of students with disabilities
 - Stability
 - School Closures
 - Financial Performance

Review pages 9-12 of the RFP for more details.

Stage I Review- Preference Points

- **Opportunity Zone and Schools of Hope**
- **National Charter School Growth Fund**
- **Rural**
 - Those opening in Rural and Low-Income School Districts (RLIS)
- **Service Area**
 - Schools that will operate in districts that received a grade of “C” or lower for last two years that grades were issued
- **Final Score:** Each applicant’s final scores will be the sum of the Pre-final score and any awarded preference points.

Stage I Review- FAQs

- Is a school that previously received a CSP grant eligible for this grant? **No.**
- Would our expansion into a middle or high school be considered a new charter school and be eligible for this CSP grant?
No. This is a competition for schools that have their own contract and MSID.
- We have applied in two districts for 3 schools. Do we apply for CSP grants separately for each school?
Yes. A separate application must be completed for each school.
- Can schools that opened in the 2022-2023 school year and did not make it past stage one last year apply again this year? **Yes.**



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Stage II Summary

- Highest scoring applications invited to submit a Stage II proposal.
- Invitation to Stage II does not a guarantee of funding.
- Stage II proposals due on **November 17, 2023**, via the Department's ShareFile system.

Stage II

- Upon invitation to submit Stage II, the Department will offer webinars focused on budget completion.
- The Department will only accept applications from applicants invited to Stage II.
- Review RFP for all technical requirements.
 - See page 12 of RFP for list of required items for a complete proposal.

Stage II

Multi-year Planning, Program Design, and Implementation Project

- This is a multi-year project with a **maximum combined program performance period of three years**, of which not more than 18 months can be spent in planning and program design and 24 months in implementation.
- The project effective date will be the date that the prioritized funding list (PFL) is approved by the Commissioner of the Florida Department of Education. The Department anticipates a project effective date during the month of **December 2023**.

Stage II

Pre-award Costs

- The Department may approve, or allow reimbursement for, expenses on allowable items incurred no more than 90 days before the start of the project effective date. Such costs are defined as pre-award costs, and are allowable only to the extent that they would have been allowable if incurred after the project effective date and are allowable only with approval of the Florida Department of Education.



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Demonstration of Application System

Survey Monkey Apply

1. First-time Survey Monkey Apply users will need to create an account.

2023-2026 Public Charter School Program Grant (CSP)
Planning, Program Design and Implementation for New Operators

The Florida Public Charter Schools Grant Program (CSP) is a competitive grant awarded to charter schools for planning, program design, and initial implementation of the charter school and for supporting the dissemination of successful practices and other information about charter schools.

The following competition is for the 2023-26 CSP grant. Applicants must fully read the Request for Proposals (RFP) prior to submitting a proposal. The full RFP can be found at <https://www.fldoe.org/schools/school-choice/charter-schools/charter-school-program-grant/>.

Stage I proposal is due by March 17, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The due date refers to the date and time the proposal must be fully submitted through the Survey Monkey Apply online application system.

Eligible Applicant(s)

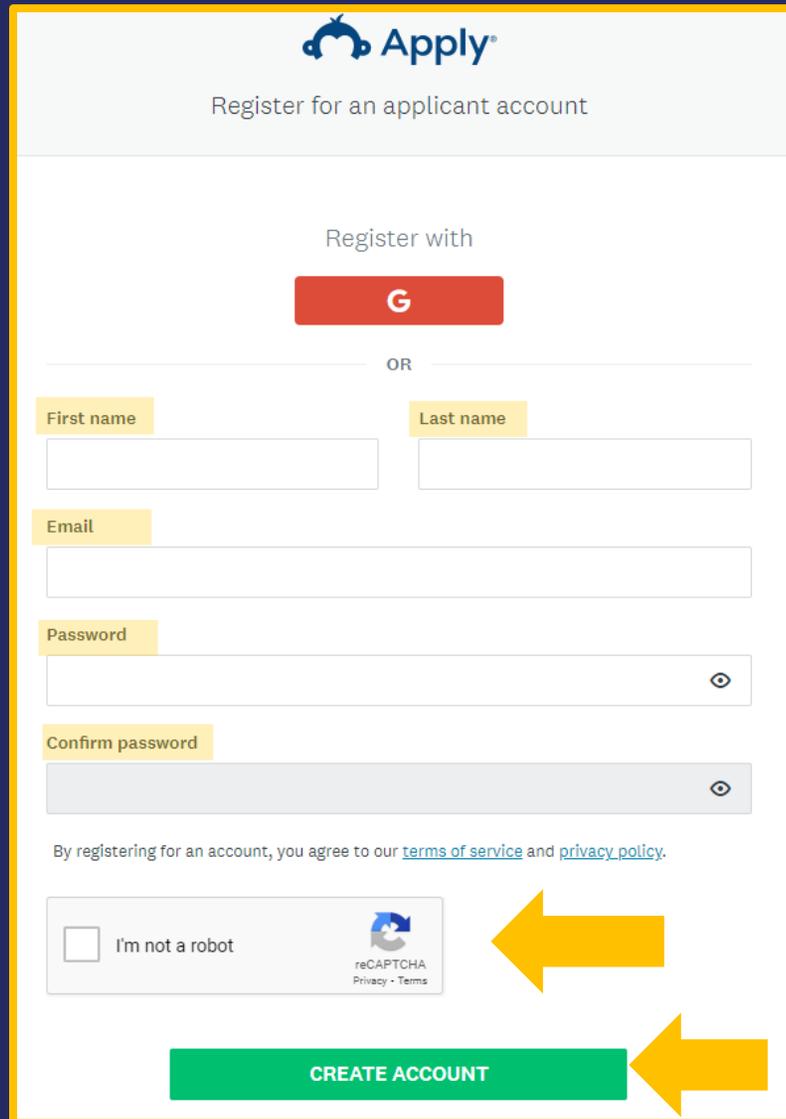
To be eligible to apply to and receive this grant, an applicant must meet the following conditions:

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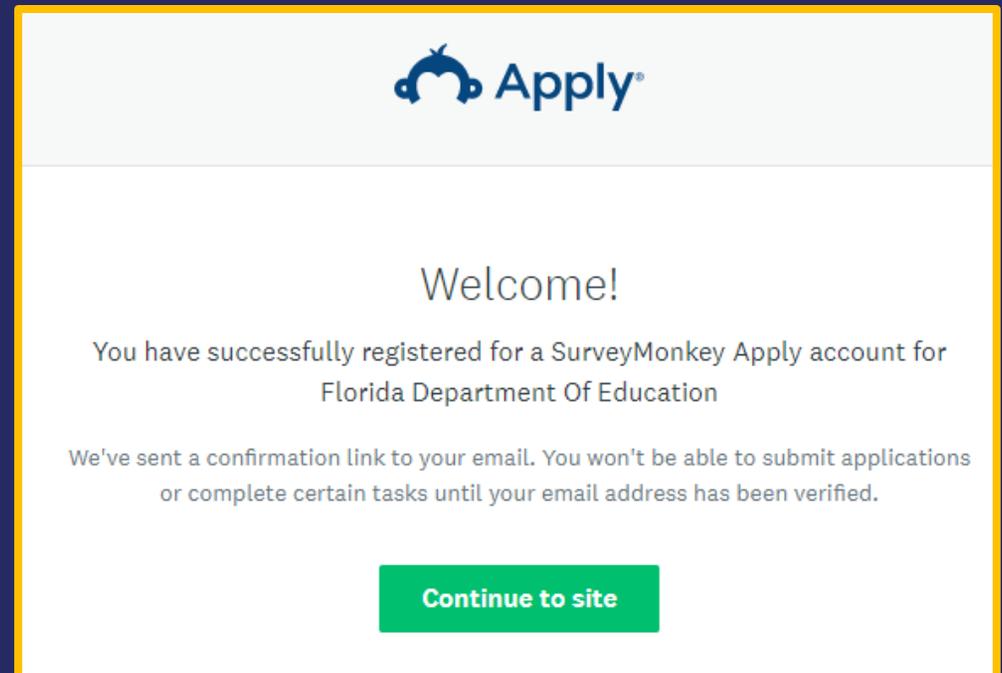
APPLY
Opens
Mar 6 2023 08:00 AM (EST)
Deadline
Mar 17 2023 05:00 PM (EDT)

Log In **Register**

1.1 Survey Monkey Apply will require user information to register for an account.

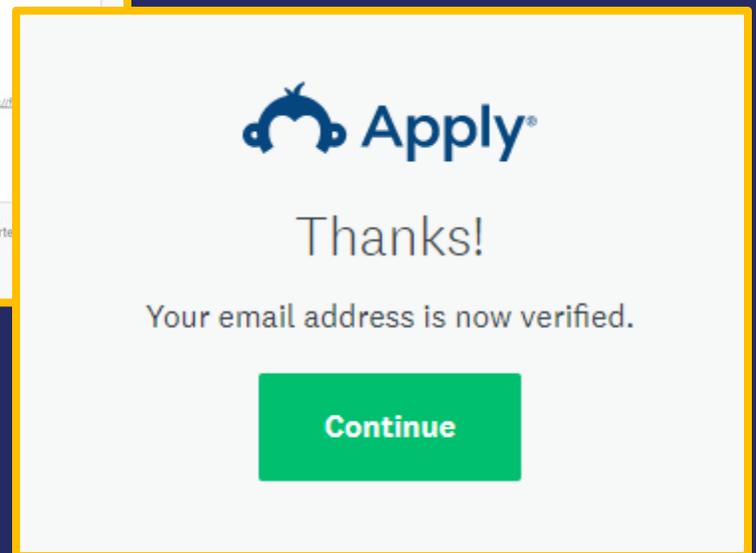
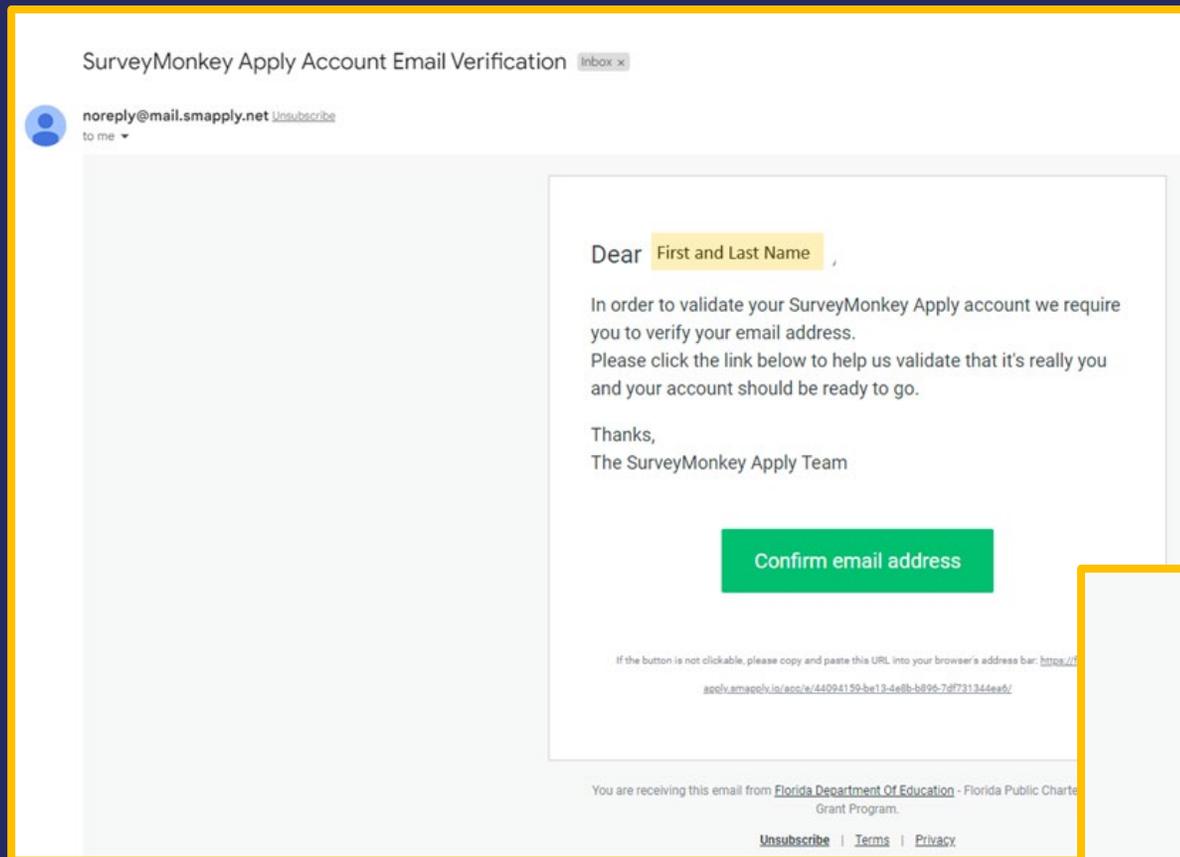


The registration form is titled "Register for an applicant account" and features the Apply logo. It offers a "Register with" button with a Google 'G' icon, followed by an "OR" separator. The form includes input fields for "First name", "Last name", "Email", "Password", and "Confirm password". A reCAPTCHA "I'm not a robot" checkbox is located at the bottom left. A green "CREATE ACCOUNT" button is positioned at the bottom center. A large yellow arrow points from the "CREATE ACCOUNT" button to the right-hand screenshot.

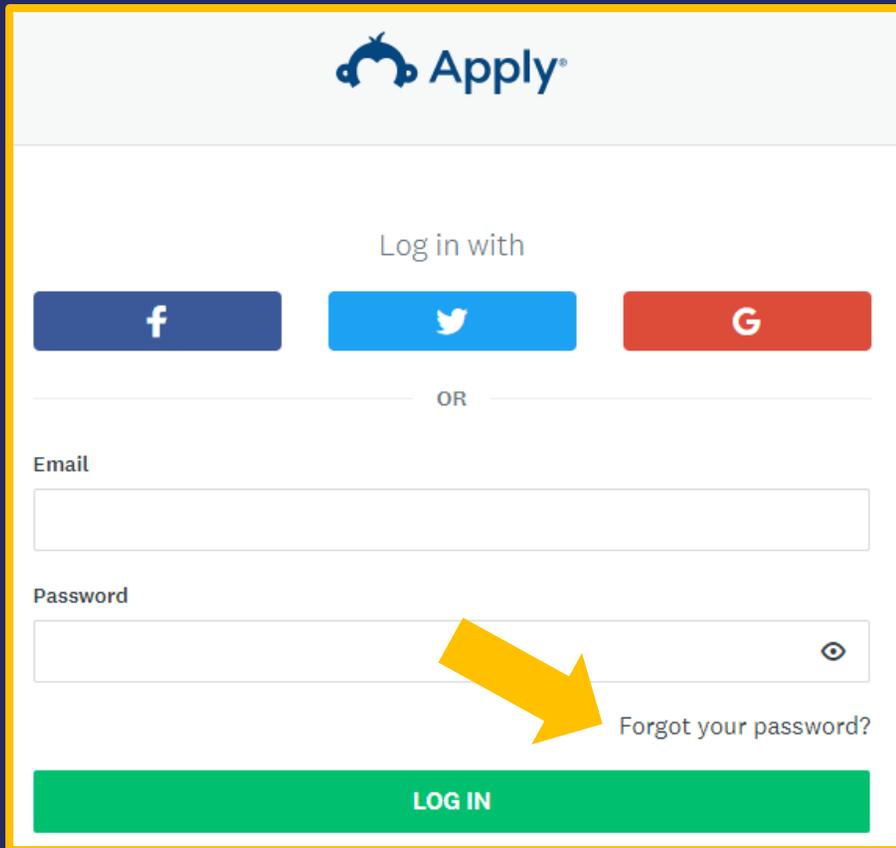


The welcome page displays the Apply logo at the top. The main heading is "Welcome!". Below it, the text reads: "You have successfully registered for a SurveyMonkey Apply account for Florida Department Of Education". A subsequent message states: "We've sent a confirmation link to your email. You won't be able to submit applications or complete certain tasks until your email address has been verified." A green "Continue to site" button is located at the bottom center. A large yellow arrow points from the registration form to this page.

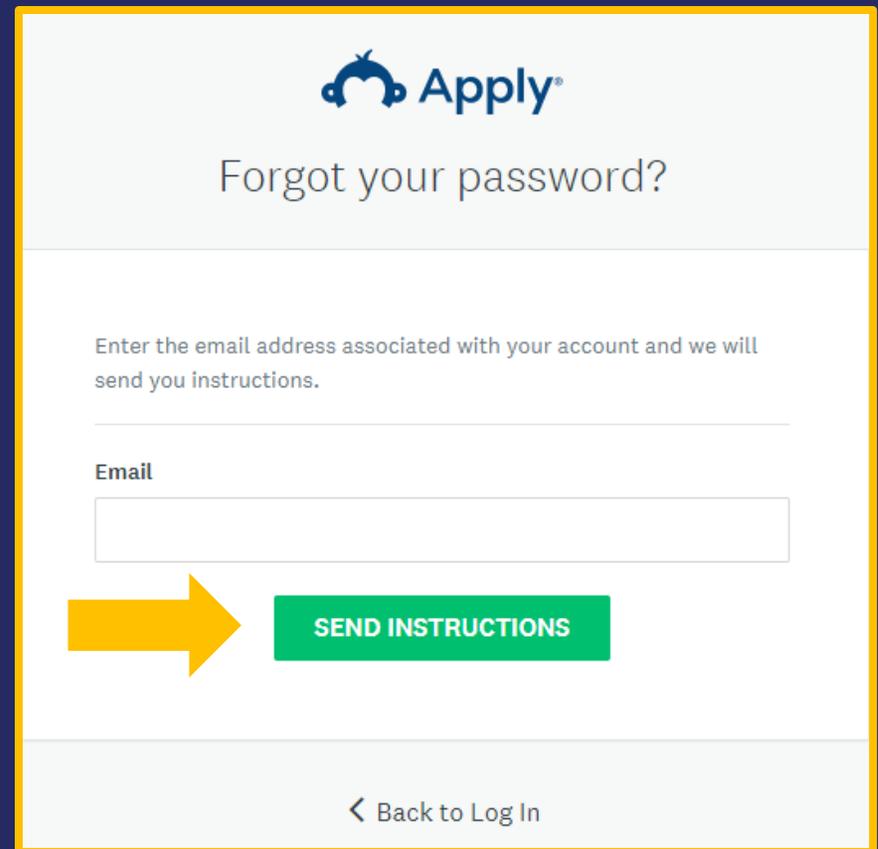
1.2 User's email address will need to be verified.



2. Existing Survey Monkey Apply Account but can't recall password



The screenshot shows the Apply login page. At the top is the Apply logo. Below it is the text "Log in with" followed by three social media login buttons: Facebook (f), Twitter, and Google (G). Below these is the word "OR". There are two input fields: "Email" and "Password". The "Password" field has a small eye icon to its right. A yellow arrow points from the "Forgot your password?" link to the right of the password field. At the bottom is a green "LOG IN" button.



The screenshot shows the "Forgot your password?" page. At the top is the Apply logo. Below it is the heading "Forgot your password?". Underneath is the instruction: "Enter the email address associated with your account and we will send you instructions." Below this is an "Email" input field. A yellow arrow points from the input field to a green "SEND INSTRUCTIONS" button. At the bottom is a link that says "< Back to Log In".

3. Select the 2023-26 RFP Competition.

No applications.

Please choose a program from our program listings page to get started



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Programs

Search programs..   

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Accepting applications from Mar 6 2023 08:00 AM (EST) to Mar 17 2023 05:00 PM (EDT)

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4. To start the application, click Apply.



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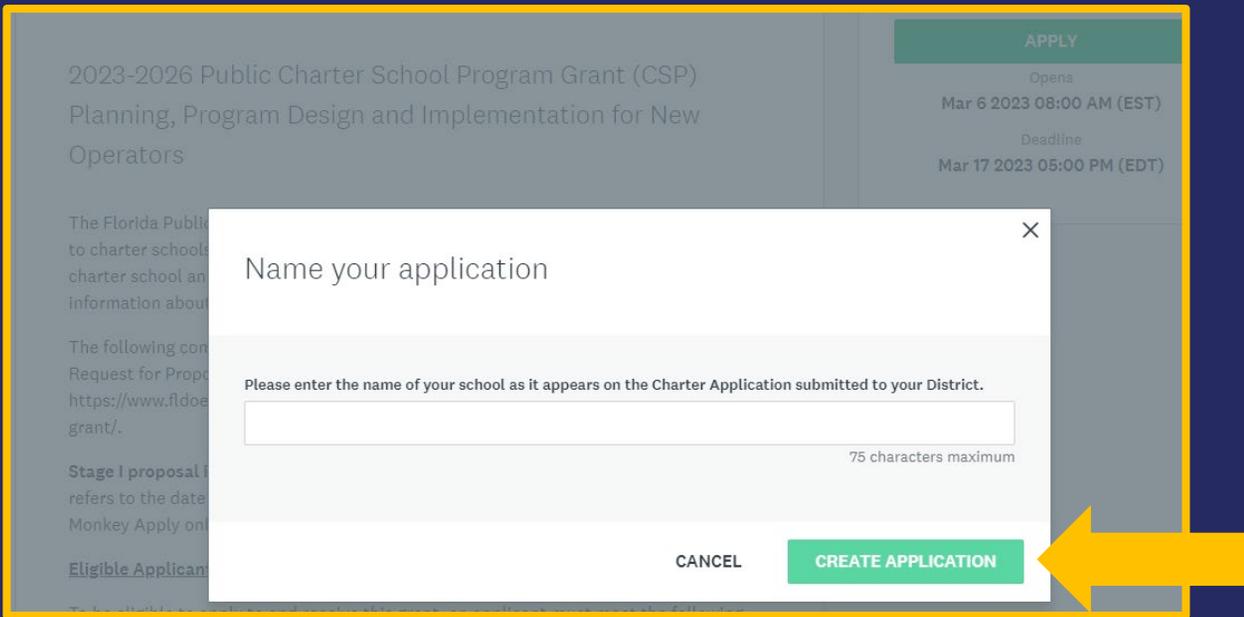
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5. Enter the school's name as it appears on the charter application submitted to your district.



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Name your application

Please enter the name of your school as it appears on the Charter Application submitted to your District.

75 characters maximum

CANCEL **CREATE APPLICATION**

6. Home page.

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Programs My Applications Test Application

Application Status Indicator →

0 of 38 required tasks complete

Last edited: Mar 6 2023 12:52 PM (EST)

REVIEW SUBMIT

Deadline: Mar 17 2023 05:00 PM (EDT)

TA Test Application (Owner)

Add collaborator

Test Application

ID: 2023-0000000003

APPLICATION ACTIVITY

Your tasks

- Eligibility Form >
- Overview Form >
- Charter School Application >
- Attachment A: Evidence of teacher and parental support for conversion >
- Attachment B: Sample daily school schedule and annual school calendar >

← List of Tasks

7. Complete each task.

Incomplete Task →

[← Back to application](#)

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ID: 2023-0000000003

-  Eligibility Form →
-  Overview Form
-  Charter School Application
-  Attachment A: Evidence of teacher and parental support for conversion
-  Attachment B: Sample daily school schedule and annual school calendar
-  Attachment C: Sample

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REVIEW **SUBMIT**

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 Eligibility Form ...

Eligibility Form

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Applicants must also meet one of the following criteria:

- Charter application has been approved by its Sponsor; or
- Charter application has been denied and applicant has a pending appeal.

Only those charter schools that are approved by their Sponsor will be eligible to receive funds under this grant.

Does the applicant meet the eligibility criteria above?

Yes

No

Mark as Complete to finish task

SAVE & CONTINUE EDITING **MARK AS COMPLETE**

Tasks may be downloaded, reset, or edited before the application is submitted.

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✓ Eligibility Form

○ Overview Form

○ Charter School Application

○ Attachment A: Evidence of teacher and parental support for conversion

○ Attachment B: Sample daily school schedule and annual school calendar

○ Attachment C: Sample

1 of 38 required tasks complete

Last edited: Mar 6 2023 01:03 PM (EST)

REVIEW **SUBMIT**

Deadline: Mar 17 2023 05:00 PM (EDT)

✓ Eligibility Form
Completed Mar 6 2023 01:03 PM (EST)

Eligibility Form

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Does the applicant meet the eligibility criteria above?

Yes

Download Task

Reset Task

Edit Task

8. Submit the application.

Completed Task →

The screenshot displays a web interface for a 'Test Application'. On the left, a summary panel shows '38 of 38 required tasks complete' with a blue progress bar, the last edit time 'Mar 5 2023 09:06 PM (EST)', and a deadline of 'Mar 17 2023 05:00 PM (EDT)'. It features 'REVIEW' and 'SUBMIT' buttons. Below this is a redacted area with an 'NL' label and an 'Add collaborator' button. The main content area has a title '2023-2026 Public Charter School...' with a 'Preview' link and a 'Test Application' title with ID '2023-0000000002'. It includes tabs for 'APPLICATION' and 'ACTIVITY'. A 'Your tasks' list contains eight items, all marked as completed with green checkmarks and right-pointing chevrons. A large yellow arrow points from the 'SUBMIT' button to the 'APPLICATION' tab.

38 of 38 required tasks complete

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REVIEW SUBMIT

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Add collaborator

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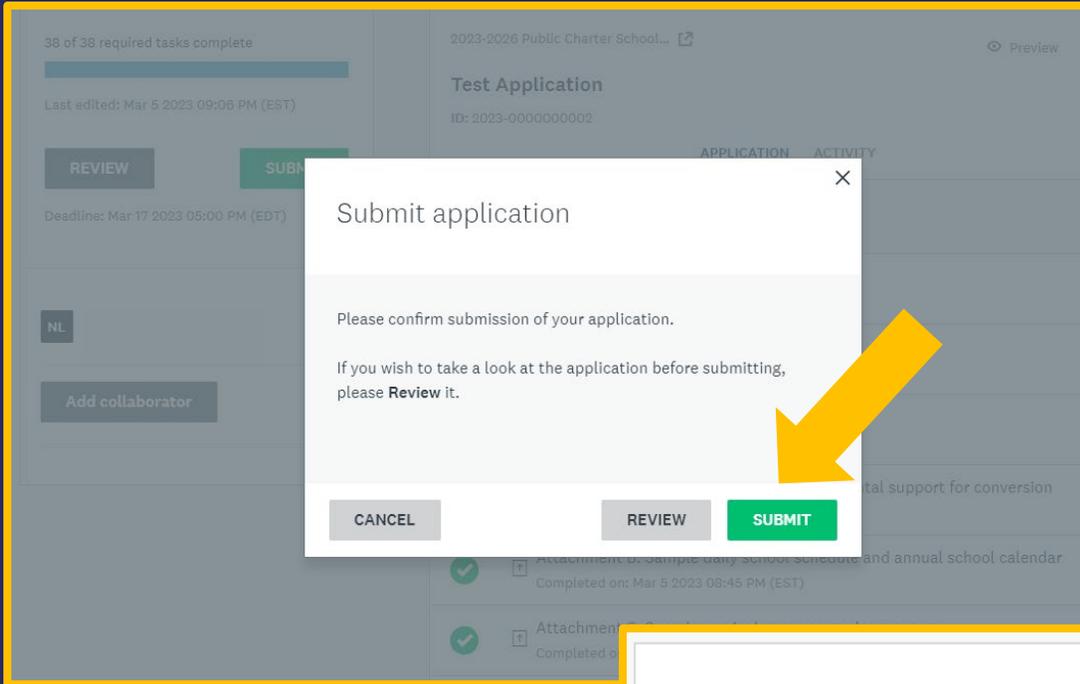
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APPLICATION ACTIVITY

Your tasks

- ✓ Eligibility Form
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- ✓ Overview Form
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- ✓ Charter School Application
Completed on: Mar 5 2023 08:45 PM (EST)
- ✓ Attachment A: Evidence of teacher and parental support for conversion
Completed on: Mar 5 2023 08:45 PM (EST)
- ✓ Attachment B: Sample daily school schedule and annual school calendar
Completed on: Mar 5 2023 08:45 PM (EST)
- ✓ Attachment C: Sample curriculum scope and sequence
Completed on: Mar 5 2023 08:46 PM (EST)
- ✓ Attachment D: Reading curriculum
Completed on: Mar 5 2023 08:45 PM (EST)
- ✓ Attachment E: Pupil progression plan
Completed on: Mar 5 2023 08:47 PM (EST)

9. Application Submission Confirmation



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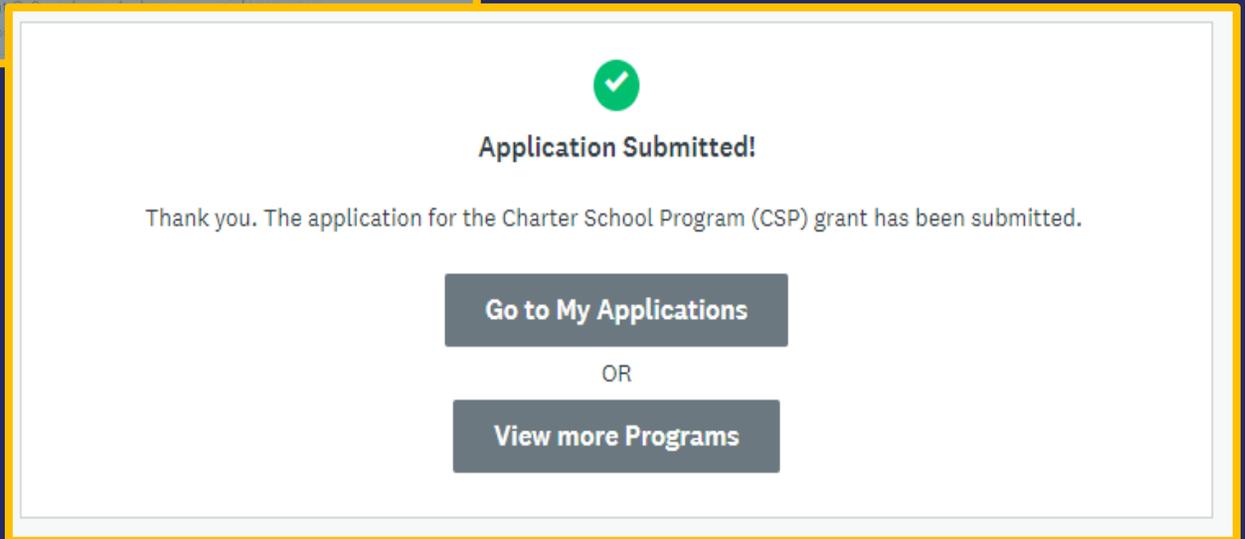
Add collaborator

Submit application

Please confirm submission of your application.

If you wish to take a look at the application before submitting, please **Review** it.

CANCEL REVIEW **SUBMIT**





Application Submitted!

Thank you. The application for the Charter School Program (CSP) grant has been submitted.

[Go to My Applications](#)

OR

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Quick Tips

- Upload attachments as a single clear PDF document.
 - When possible, create a PDF instead of scanning a printed document.
- System locks on **September 20, 2023, at 5:00 pm ET**
 - Application submissions or changes to applications will not be accepted after this deadline.

Reminders

- Email questions to: charterschoolgrant@fldoe.org
- Submit RFP questions by **Monday, September 11, 2023.**
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