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Dept. of Ed. Announces Availability of LSL Application

The Department of Education announced today that the application package for the 2007 [Improving Literacy Through School Libraries](#) (LSL) program competition is now available. Application information is available at the Department of Education's [LSL page](#).

The Notice inviting applications as published in the Federal Register can be found [here](#) (PDF).

Eligible applicants include local education agencies (LEAs) in which at least 20 percent of the students served are from families with incomes below the poverty line based on the most recent data from the U.S. Census Bureau. Information on the poverty level in each district can be found [here](#). Approximately \$19 million will be available for funding, and an estimated 100 grants will be awarded under this competition. The deadline for applications is April 2, 2007.

Even if you registered last year, you must register again.

It is important to note that applicants must submit applications electronically at <http://www.grants.gov>. It is vital that all applicants register early, since the registration process on Grants.gov can take from 7 to 10 days. Please note that if you are registered make sure your information is up to date. It is also necessary to send in your application at least three days before the closing date of the competition, since it can take that long to process the application.



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