



**To:** Institutions of Higher Education  
**From:** Vance T. Stephens, Director of Policy, NJ OSHE  
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**Subject:** Innovation Dual Enrollment Pilot Grant Preliminary Notice

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The Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE), in collaboration with the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), is excited to announce an innovative opportunity for institutions of higher education (IHEs) to partner with local education agencies (LEAs) on the State’s forthcoming Innovation Dual Enrollment Pilot Grant. While LEAs will apply for the grant through NJDOE, IHEs will serve as integral partners in the pilot’s success.

In April 2023, Governor Phil Murphy [announced](#) that the New Jersey Dual Enrollment Study Commission (Commission) had released its [report](#) calling on the State to expand access to dual enrollment programs that allow high school students to earn college credit while still in high school. The Commission recommended that New Jersey develop and invest in a pilot program, which would serve to inform future dual enrollment policies while immediately expanding dual enrollment opportunities across the State. In fiscal year 2024, the State appropriated \$500,000 to NJDOE to establish the pilot program.

By utilizing the appropriated funding to provide competitive grants to LEAs, the State aims to expand access to and participation in dual enrollment opportunities statewide, particularly for student groups with traditionally lower dual enrollment participation, as highlighted in the Commission’s report. To be eligible for a grant, LEAs must: (1) have a minimum enrollment of 40% economically disadvantaged students in grades 9 through 12; and (2) establish a partnership with an accredited New Jersey IHE, evidenced by an executed articulation agreement and/or a letter of intent to partner signed by the district superintendent and the IHE president or president’s designee.

More extensive details will come in the Notice of Grant Opportunity (NGO), which is expected to be released in October. *This preliminary notice serves to notify IHEs of the forthcoming opportunity and to encourage IHEs to plan accordingly.* OSHE urges IHEs to communicate with eligible LEAs to develop and/or bolster partnerships ahead of the NGO release.

LEAs may apply for grants up to the maximum amount based on enrollment size, as indicated below.

LEA Grade 9-12 Student Enrollment Size	Maximum Award Eligibility
Large	\$150,000
Medium	\$100,000
Small	\$50,000

Below is a preliminary list of LEAs eligible to apply for the pilot grant based on LEA self-reported enrollment data for the 2021-22 academic year. *Please note that the list below is subject to change between the time of this notice and the formal release of the NGO.* IHEs are encouraged to review the list and contact relevant LEAs. Questions from IHEs about this opportunity may be directed to Vance T. Stephens, OSHE Director of Policy, at [vance.stephens@oshe.nj.gov](mailto:vance.stephens@oshe.nj.gov).

**Preliminary List of Eligible LEAs (Final List Forthcoming in NGO Release)**

County Name	District Name	Region	Grades 9-12 Enrollment Size
ATLANTIC	Atlantic City School District	Southern	Medium
ATLANTIC	Atlantic County Special Services School District	Southern	Small
ATLANTIC	Buena Regional School District	Southern	Small
ATLANTIC	Pleasantville Public School District	Southern	Medium
ATLANTIC	Charter-Tech High School for the Performing Arts	Southern	Small
BERGEN	Englewood Public School District	Northern	Medium
BERGEN	Lodi School District	Northern	Medium
BERGEN	Bergen Arts and Science Charter School	Northern	Small
BURLINGTON	Pemberton Township School District	Southern	Medium
BURLINGTON	Riverside Township School District	Southern	Small
BURLINGTON	Willingboro Public School District	Southern	Medium
CAMDEN	Camden City School District	Southern	Medium
CAMDEN	Camden County Technical School District	Southern	Large
CAMDEN	Gloucester City Public School District	Southern	Medium
CAMDEN	KIPP: Cooper Norcross, A New Jersey Nonprofit Corporation	Southern	Small
CAMDEN	Camden Prep, Inc.	Southern	Small
CAMDEN	Mastery Schools of Camden, Inc.	Southern	Medium
CAMDEN	Lindenwold Public School District	Southern	Medium
CAMDEN	Pennsauken Township Board of Education School District	Southern	Medium
CAMDEN	Pine Hill School District	Southern	Medium
CAMDEN	Camden's Promise Charter School	Southern	Medium
CAMDEN	Freedom Prep Charter School	Southern	Small
CAMDEN	LEAP Academy University Charter School	Southern	Small
CAPE MAY	Wildwood City School District	Southern	Small
CUMBERLAND	Cumberland Regional School District	Southern	Medium
CUMBERLAND	Millville School District	Southern	Medium
CUMBERLAND	Vineland Public School District	Southern	Large
ESSEX	Belleville Public School District	Northern	Medium
ESSEX	Bloomfield Township School District	Northern	Medium
ESSEX	East Orange School District	Northern	Large
ESSEX	Essex County Schools of Technology	Northern	Large
ESSEX	Irvington Public School District	Northern	Medium
ESSEX	Newark Public School District	Northern	Large
ESSEX	Orange Board of Education School District	Northern	Medium
ESSEX	West Orange Public Schools	Northern	Large
ESSEX	Great Oaks Legacy Charter School	Northern	Small
ESSEX	Peoples Preparatory Charter School	Northern	Small
ESSEX	LEAD Charter School	Northern	Small
ESSEX	Marion P. Thomas Charter School	Northern	Small
ESSEX	North Star Academy Charter School	Northern	Medium
ESSEX	TEAM Academy Charter School	Northern	Medium
GLOUCESTER	Woodbury City Public School District	Southern	Small
HUDSON	Bayonne School District	Northern	Large
HUDSON	Harrison Public Schools	Northern	Medium
HUDSON	Hoboken Public School District	Northern	Small

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HUDSON	Hudson County Schools of Technology School District	Northern	Large
HUDSON	Jersey City Public Schools	Northern	Large
HUDSON	Kearny	Northern	Medium
HUDSON	North Bergen School District	Northern	Large
HUDSON	Union City School District	Northern	Large
HUDSON	Weehawken Public School District	Northern	Small
HUDSON	West New York School District	Northern	Large
HUDSON	Beloved Community Charter	Northern	Small
HUDSON	Hoboken Charter School District	Northern	Small
HUDSON	University Academy Charter High School	Northern	Small
MERCER	Trenton Public School District	Central	Large
MERCER	Foundation Academy Charter School	Central	Small
MERCER	Trenton Stem-to-Civics Charter School	Central	Small
MERCER	Achievers Early College Prep Charter School	Central	Small
MIDDLESEX	Carteret Public School District	Central	Medium
MIDDLESEX	New Brunswick School District	Central	Large
MIDDLESEX	Perth Amboy Public School District	Central	Large
MIDDLESEX	Academy for Urban Leadership Charter School	Central	Small
MONMOUTH	Asbury Park School District	Central	Small
MONMOUTH	Keansburg School District	Central	Small
MONMOUTH	Long Branch Public School District	Central	Medium
MONMOUTH	Academy Charter High School	Central	Small
MONMOUTH	College Achieve Greater Asbury Park Charter School	Central	Small
MORRIS	Dover Public School District	Northern	Medium
OCEAN	Lakewood Township School District	Central	Medium
PASSAIC	Passaic City School District	Northern	Large
PASSAIC	Passaic County Manchester Regional High School District	Northern	Medium
PASSAIC	Passaic County Technical-Vocational School District	Northern	Large
PASSAIC	Paterson Public School District	Northern	Large
PASSAIC	Passaic Arts and Science Charter School	Northern	Small
PASSAIC	Paterson Arts and Science Charter School	Northern	Small
PASSAIC	Paterson Charter School for Science and Technology	Northern	Small
PASSAIC	College Achieve Paterson Charter School	Northern	Small
SALEM	Penns Grove-Carneys Point Regional School District	Southern	Medium
SALEM	Salem City School District	Southern	Small
SALEM	Salem County Vocational Technical School District	Southern	Medium
SOMERSET	Bound Brook School District	Central	Medium
SOMERSET	Franklin Township Public School District	Central	Large
SOMERSET	North Plainfield School District	Central	Medium
UNION	Elizabeth Public Schools	Northern	Large
UNION	Hillside Public School District	Northern	Medium
UNION	Linden Public School District	Northern	Medium
UNION	Plainfield Public School District	Northern	Large
UNION	Rahway Public School District	Northern	Medium
UNION	Roselle Public School District	Northern	Medium
UNION	The Barack Obama Green Charter High School District	Northern	Small
UNION	College Achieve Central Charter School	Northern	Small
UNION	The Queen City Academy Charter School District	Northern	Small
UNION	Union County TEAMS Charter School-High School/College LA	Northern	Small