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TO Eligible Nonprofit Organizations

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT: CALL FOR EXTERNAL ORGANIZATION PROFILES

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) is pleased to announce the opportunity for nonprofit organizations within the state to submit an External Organization Profile (EOP) for possible inclusion on a posted list of vendors experienced in providing services in out-of-school time programs for children. The agency is required under Section 4203(a)(11) of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Title IV, Part B, 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC), to provide a list of prescreened external organizations. The term “external organization” is defined under Section 4201(b)(4) of ESSA, as a nonprofit organization with a record of success in running or working with before and after school (or summer recess) programs and activities; or in the case of a community where there is no such organization, a nonprofit organization in the community that enters into a written agreement or partnership with an organization with a record of success to receive mentoring and guidance in running or working with before and after school (or summer recess) programs and activities.

To meet the requirements for the minimum record of success, any organization submitting an EOP must meet the following criteria:

- Currently operate as a nonprofit in good standing in North Carolina; and
- Have a minimum of five years of experience operating or delivering services to out-of-school time programs in North Carolina.

If your organization meets the criteria above, it is eligible to complete and submit a completed EOP which must be received by **Friday, June 30, 2017 at 5:00 pm (EDT)**. The next opportunity to submit a profile will not occur until June of 2018. Once the profiles have been screened, NCDPI will post the prescreened list on the 21st CCLC website, <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/21cclc/resources/>, by July 31, 2017.

Please note that meeting the criteria for the EOP list will not result in a contract with the NCDPI, nor does the listing represent an endorsement by NCDPI or any other State agency. The NCDPI will verify the “good standing” status of the nonprofit using the State and Federal suspended or debarred vendor list once the profile is submitted and periodically thereafter. All eligible prescreened organizations which maintain a status of “good standing” will remain on the list for two years once posted on the website.

The NCDPI would like to extend this solicitation to nonprofit providers across the entire state. Please use your available networks or other means of communication to share this important announcement with relevant colleagues. Thank you for your commitment to ensuring North Carolina’s children have access to quality out-of-school time programming.

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