R277. Education, Administration.

R277-332. MASTER Pilot Program.

R277-332-1. Authority, Purpose, and Oversight Category.

(1) This rule is authorized by:

(a) Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3, which vests general control and supervision over public education in the Board;

(b) Subsection 53E-3-401(4), which allows the Board to make rules to execute the Board's duties and responsibilities under the Utah Constitution and state law; and

(c) Subsection 53F-5-222(5), which directs the Board to make rules to implement the MASTER pilot program.

(2) The purpose of this rule is to establish rules for implementation of the MASTER pilot program consistent with state law.

(3) This Rule R277-332 is categorized as Category 3 as described in Rule R277-111.

R277-332-2. Definitions.

"MASTER Pilot Program" means the Mentoring and Supporting Teacher Excellence and Refinement Pilot Program created in Section 53F-5-222.

R277-332-3. Incorporation by Reference of Application Scoring Rubric.

(1) This rule incorporates by reference the MASTER Pilot Program Scoring Rubric, dated June 2024.

(2) A copy of the rubric is located at:

(a) https://schools.utah.gov/administrativerules/documentsincorporated; and

(b) the Utah State Board of Education.

R277-332-4. MASTER Pilot Program.

(1) The Superintendent shall award grants to LEAs and RESAs under the MASTER pilot program in accordance with Section 53F-5-222.

(2)(a) An LEA or RESA shall apply for a grant under the MASTER pilot program using an application provided by the Superintendent by June 30, 2024.

(b) The Superintendent may accept applications again for the 2025-26 school year if additional funds remain undistributed.

(3) As part of the application, each LEA or RESA shall identify:

(a) the program tier for which the LEA or RESA is applying;

(b) a plan for use of the program funds; and

(c) reporting and performance measures for evaluation of the LEA's or RESA's use of program funds.

(4) The Superintendent shall award grants under the MASTER pilot program, as follows:

(a) up to \$25,000 for a tier one grant applicant, with a 10% match;

(b) up to \$75,000 for a tier two grant applicant, with a 15% match; and

(c) up to \$150,000 for a tier three grant applicant, with a 20% match.

(5) An LEA or RESA shall use program funds as described in Subsection 53F-5-222(6).

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