



OPI – Transformational Learning Application

Fiscal Year 2026

**Application Window: Opens Monday, December 2, 2024 at 8am MST
and closes January 13, 2025 at 5pm MST**

Guidance: The application has the following requirements that you will be required to meet.

1. The application is a fillable form that you can complete, download and save to your computer.
2. The application checklist must have all of the boxes marked to be a complete application.
3. The application must be approved in a board meeting of your trustees and signed by the board chair.
4. The application has three upload requirements: (a) the completed application checklist with board chair's signature, (b) definition of proficiency, and (c) your district's strategic plan as it refers to Transformational Learning.
5. The application submission will be a digital upload accessed on the OPI Transformational Learning web page using a Qualtrics link. The link becomes live at 8:00am MST on December 2nd, 2024.
6. Districts with more than one LEA number under a single governing board can submit a single combined application.

Submitter Name:

District Name:

Email:

LEA Name & Number:

FTE dedicated to your district's transformational learning program:

2nd LEA Name & Number:

FTE dedicated to your 2nd district's transformational learning program:

The Local Education Agency (LEA) name and number(s) has been entered above. The district's board of trustees shall submit an application that has been approved by motion of the board of trustees and signed by the presiding officer.

Identify the number of FTE educators meeting the criteria of 20-9-327(3) who will participate in the district's Transformational Learning program.

Upload the district's definition of proficiency as outlined in 20-9-311(4)(d). **The definition must not require seat time as a condition or other element of determining proficiency.** The definition must be incorporated in the district's policies and must be used for determining content and course mastery and other progress, promotion from grade to grade, grades, and graduation for pupils enrolled in the district's transformational learning program. (If your definition varies between your elementary and high school district, include both and clearly define what district the definition supports.)

Include in your district's strategic plan, your Transformational Learning plan with appropriate planning horizons for implementation. For example, the eligibility plan, measurable objectives and planned strategies that lead to:

A Transformational Learning plan for each participating student that honors individual interests, passions, strengths, needs and culture. The plan shall be rooted in relationships with teachers, family, peers, and community members. Embedded community-based, experiential, on-line and work-based learning opportunities that incorporate blended learning.

Effective professional development to assist employees in transitioning to a transformational learning model.
Equality of educational opportunity for participation by all pupils of the district.

The school district's board chair signature affirms that the application has been completed and approved by the Board of Trustees. It is acknowledged that the full application will be kept at the district site. The checklist and attached documents are affirmation that the required elements of SB 8 are part of the application's supporting documents.

School District Board Chair Printed Name

School District Board Chair Signature

Date

***Note: There is no guarantee that newly-applying districts will be funded for the Transformational Learning Grant as all allocated funds are currently exhausted, there is a wait list for funding, and this grant sunsets in FY2027.**