PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FUNDING PROCESS DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATIONS AND REIMBURSEMENTS FOR TRAVEL AND CONFERENCES

(effective September 1, 2018)

APPLICATION PROCESS:

<u>Step 1:</u> Submit ALL completed forms with the required documentation to the Archdiocese. They should be mailed or brought to The Pastoral Center, 3940 Poplar Level Road, Louisville, KY, 40213, ATTN: Debbie McGillicuddy or Terry Crawley no later than one month prior to the event, unless directed otherwise by the Archdiocese of Louisville.

<u>Step 2:</u> Complete **ALL REQUIRED** Professional Learning Funding Request Forms listed below. These forms can be found on the archdiocesan website at www.archlou.org.

A. Archdiocese of Louisville Professional Learning Funding Request Form

- 1. Please note that the school's Instructional Improvement Plan or the PGP(s) of the person(s) requesting the funding **MUST** accompany the request form. Failure to do so will delay the approval process.
- 2. The person requesting the funding must be identified by name and position s/he holds in the school. If more than one person is requesting funding a list of ALL individuals' names and positions must be included with the request form. Failure to do so will delay the approval process.
- 3. Please remember that funding is allowed **ONLY** for certified teaching and administrative personnel.
- 4. The principal must complete the *Principal's Comments* section AND sign the form. Failure to do so will delay the approval process.

B. JCPS Title II Part A Funds Needs Assessment Form

- 1. Please note: JCPS will **ONLY** accept information contained on this form. Therefore, no attachments to this form will be accepted.
- 2. The JCPS Form must be completed in its entirety with **ALL** requisite signatures. Failure to do so will delay the approval process.
- When completing the first box on the second page of the form, the data listed MUST be local/school data (i.e. test data, eWalk data, anecdotal evidence, etc.) and it MUST relate to student achievement/progress. If it is not, the form will be returned for revision.

C. Archdiocese of Louisville Form T: Funding Request for Conference/Workshop Registration Fees and Travel

- Please note that Form T requires additional documentation (a COMPLETED registration form for each person attending the event and a brochure or descriptive flyer which includes registration fee schedule and conference housing information for the event) be submitted. ALL documents MUST accompany the request form. Failure to do so will delay the approval process.
- 2. All registration fees listed must be member rates **ONLY**. Federal funds will **NOT** cover membership dues.
- 3. Housing expenses should be limited to conference housing. If there is NO conference housing, quotes from three nearby housing venues **MUST** accompany the request. Failure to do so will delay the approval process. Please see **NOTES** (below) before making your hotel reservation.
- 4. Travel expenses apply to air travel only. No reimbursement will be made to cover rental cars, food or other personal expenses. (Please note that for reimbursement purposes, JCPS requires a quote from 3 airlines dated the day of the airfare purchase.)

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Faith-based Events

Faith-based events MAY receive approval. However it is the general policy that because of the non-secular nature of the event only a portion of the costs may be reimbursed. The amount/percentage of the costs that will be reimbursed is determined by JCPS. Therefore all requests for faith-based events must receive prior approval and reimbursement will be limited to the amount determined by JCPS.

NOTES

• If you book your hotel through a third party company, such as Expedia, please be advised that not all hotels will then provide an itemized hotel statement, as required by JCPS. This means your hotel bill will likely **NOT** be reimbursed. Please check this BEFORE you book your hotel.

REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS:

PRELIMINARY UNDERSTANDING:

- ALL expenses submitted for reimbursement must have originally been paid by the individual who attended the approved event, and not by the school via use of the school's credit card, debit card, check, or any other method. Reimbursements for expenses associated with Title IIA approved professional learning experiences will be made to individuals. Schools cannot be reimbursed with Title IIA funds.
- All reimbursements come directly from JCPS and are subject to their approval and policies.
- Reimbursements may not exceed the amount approved as stated in the approval letter.
- Checks from JCPS will be sent directly to the individual who attended/paid for the approved event.

- The only items eligible for reimbursement are: registration/conference fees, air travel, housing, shuttle/taxi, and baggage. (Please read Step 5 CAREFULLY for specific procedures for each of these.)
- If more than one person attends the same event, each person should pay for his/her own expenses. However, if one person agrees to pay for others' expenses, please consult the Archdiocese **BEFORE** the application is submitted. Failure to do so may place your reimbursement in jeopardy. Please be advised reimbursement documentation for all attendees will still be required and additional notes of explanation may need to accompany the reimbursement request in this situation.
- Step 1: Once an application for funding has been submitted and approved, a letter/memo will be sent that states the funding request has been approved and outlines procedures for reimbursement.
 READ THIS MEMO CAREFULLY. Failure to comply with any of the reimbursement procedures may place reimbursement in jeopardy and/or delay the reimbursement process.
- Step 2: All reimbursement requests and required documentation must be received by the Archdiocese of Louisville NO LATER THAN 10 DAYS AFTER the completion of the event. All necessary documentation and signed forms must accompany the reimbursement requests. They may be mailed or brought to The Pastoral Center, 3940 Poplar Level Road, Louisville, KY, 40213, ATTN: Debbie McGillicuddy. Requests received after the 10-day period may not be submitted to JCPS.
- <u>Step 3:</u> Any documents requiring your signature must be signed in <u>BLUE</u> ink. Documents signed in black ink are NOT accepted by JCPS.
- **Step 4:** If ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS are required, scanned and/or Xeroxed copies are NOT acceptable.
- **Step 5**: Your request MUST include the following:
 - Your name, social security number, home address, cell number, and home and school email addresses
 - An Agenda and Certificate of Attendance (for each person attending) from the event
 - ORIGINAL receipts from the <u>conference registration</u>, <u>airfare</u> (airline itinerary or travel agent statement), <u>hotel</u> (itemized statement/receipt from the hotel), shuttle/taxi, and baggage (if applicable)
 - A copy of the **completed** registration form(s) from the conference
 - Proof of payment for registration, airfare, and hotel expenses. Proof of payment may be a cancelled check or a credit card statement. The credit card statement must show name of account holder and last four (4) digits of account number showing item(s) charged. If the credit card statement does not show the name and last four digits of the account number, you must include a copy of the credit card used. Please check to ensure the last 4 digits on the card match the last 4 digits on the statement you submit. Also, check to ensure the amounts charged and the amounts paid match. If not, a note of explanation is required.
 - Proof of payment for shuttle/taxi/Uber/Lift and baggage. Shuttle/taxi/Uber/Lift and baggage expenses may be reimbursed with ORIGINAL receipts and proof of payment. Proof of payment may be a cancelled check or a credit card statement. The credit card statement must show name of account holder and last four (4) digits of account number showing item(s) charged. If the credit card statement does not show the name and last four digits of the account number, you must include a copy of the credit card used. Please check to

ensure the last 4 digits on the card match the last 4 digits on the statement you submit. Also, check to ensure the amounts charged and the amounts paid match. If not, a note of explanation is required.

If cash is used to pay any of these expenses, original receipts are the only required proof of payment.

- Completed and signed W9 Form (This form will be emailed to you with notice of funding approval.)
- JCPS Registration Payment Voucher (This form will be emailed to you with notice of funding approval. Please return with your signature ONLY. All other information will be completed for you).
- JCPS Out-of-County Travel Voucher (This form will be emailed to you with notice of funding approval. Please return with your signature ONLY. All other information will be completed for you.)

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