



Franklin County RISE IDEA Fund Innovation Awards Frequently Asked Questions

1. What programs are eligible to apply for the Innovation Awards?
 - a. Innovation Awards are available to all ODJFS licensed childcare programs in Franklin County, licensed childcare centers, FCC Type A, and FCC Type B.
2. Can FCC programs apply to all levels of funding?
 - a. Yes. FCC programs are eligible to apply for each level of funding.
3. Can I apply more than once?
 - a. No. Only one application per program will be considered for funding.
4. When will I find out if I was awarded?
 - a. All awardees will be announced June 1, 2025.
5. If I receive an award, will I have to reconcile the funds?
 - a. Yes, programs who are awarded a cash award will have to reconcile the funds spent by September 30, 2025.
6. What information will be used for the reconciliation process?
 - a. Receipts and paid invoice forms are accepted forms of documentation for reconciliation.
7. Can I use this grant to purchase a new jungle gym for my playground.
 - a. No. Permanent structural playground equipment such as slides, jungle gyms, climbing walls, climbers, swing sets, pools, etc. are not allowable expenses.
8. If I'm not selected for the bundle that I requested, will I be considered for a different bundle?
 - a. Yes. Reviewers may consider your application for a different bundle.
9. If we request a dollar amount, are we not eligible to be awarded a preset bundle?
 - a. Yes and no. Each program will only be awarded 1 award. However, program requesting a dollar amount can put a preset bundle in their budget. If awarded, the program will order the bundle from the company instead of the RISE Team. The program will also be responsible for reconciling that purchase. Programs are encouraged to be creative, so requesting a multiple presets is discouraged.
10. If a company owns multiple childcare sites, is each site eligible to apply?



- a. Yes. Each individual licensed childcare program is eligible to apply even if they are part of a larger corporation. It is in each individual site's best interest to own their proposal. Identical/similar proposals across a corporation are discouraged.