

ABOUT IES

- Supports research that addresses education issues and develops solutions that improve school readiness and academic achievement
- Discretionary grants awarded using a competitive process.

ES National Centers

Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance [NCEE](#)

Education Research [NCER](#)

Education Statistics [NCES](#)

Special Education Research [NCSER](#)

Other Activities

[Education and Special Education Research Programs](#)

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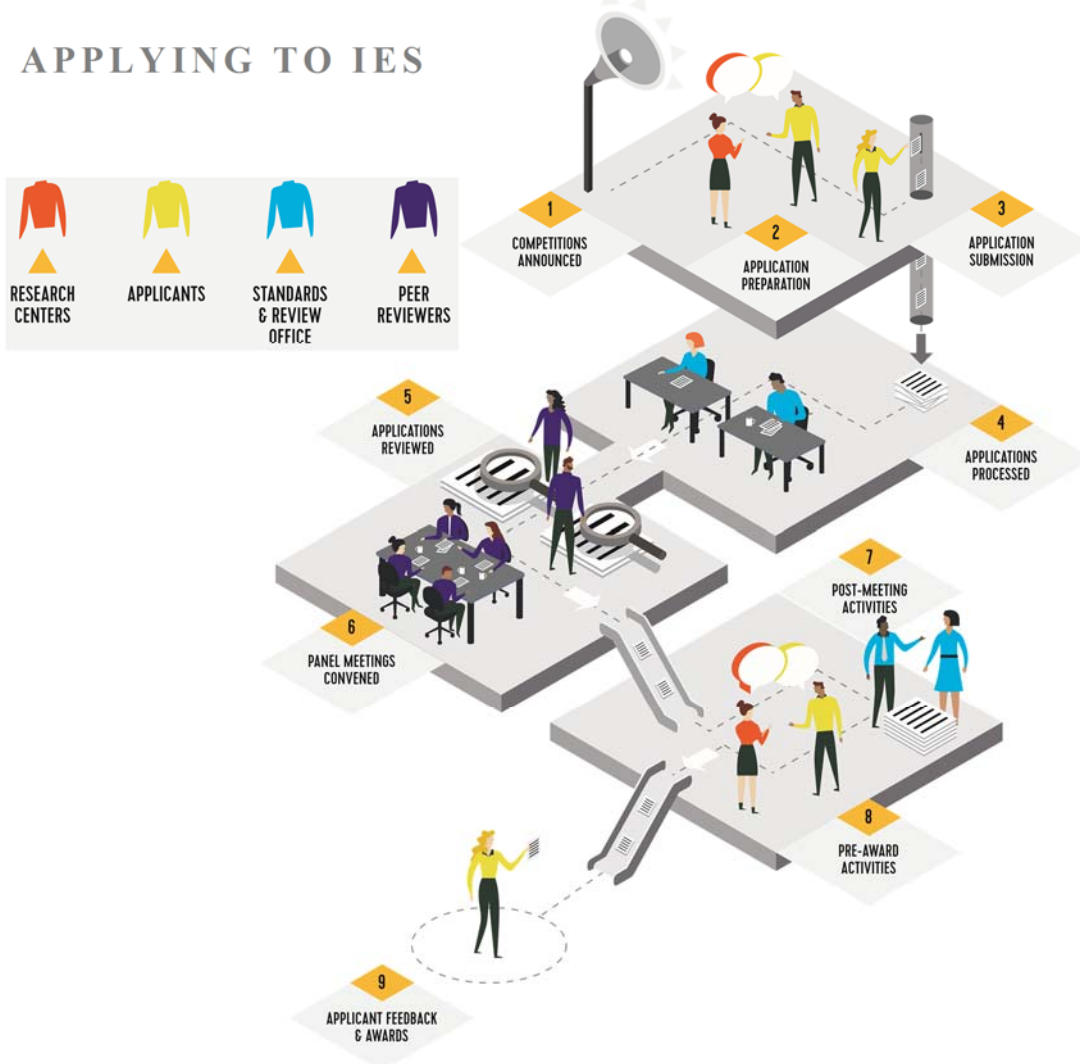
[Partnerships and Collaborations Focused on Problems of Practice or Policy](#)

[National Research and Development Centers and Special Education Research & Development Centers](#)

[Research Networks Focused on Critical Problems of Education and Special Education Policy and Practice](#)

[Low-Cost, Short-Duration Evaluation of Education and Special Education Interventions](#)

APPLYING TO IES



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 Washington, DC 20024

MISSION

“...to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access...”

GOVERNANCE

The U.S. Secretary of Education is the head of the DoED and member of the President's Executive Cabinet. DoED's operating budget, including IES research dollars, are approved by Congress. IES is governed by a President-appointed advisory board and led by the Deputy Director for Administration and Policy and Deputy Director for Science.

Steps to Applying for IES Grants

1) Competitions Announced

- a. Identify a current [funding opportunity](#) that matches your research interests and identify the relevant [Letter of Intent and application deadlines](#)
- b. View a [funding opportunities webinar](#) to learn more about the application process and choosing an appropriate funding opportunity
- c. Download the appropriate [Request for Applications](#) and [application package](#)
- d. Submit [Letter of Intent](#) (optional but strongly encouraged). When appropriate, Program officers may contact applicants to clarify Request for Applications and suggest alternative sources of funding

2) Application Preparation

- a. Application forms and instructions are typically provided one month prior to application due date

3) Application Submission

- a. Submit your application to [Grants.gov](#) via Workspace before the [deadline](#)

Standards and Review

4) Applications Processed

- a. Initial review for completeness and responsiveness

5) Applications Reviewed

- a. The [Standards and Review Office \(SRO\)](#) is responsible for scientific peer review process
- b. Panel selection and appointment: applications assigned according to content and methodological approach
- c. Pre-review panel procedures conflict of interest determination - personal financial interest, personal or professional relationship, and professional relationship with the applicant's institution

6) Panel Meetings Convened

- a. Triage of applications: most competitive applications are selected for full panel review
- b. [Peer Review](#) conducted, led by appointed principal panel members

7) Post-Meeting Activities

- a. Post-review process: final discussion and determinations

Award

8) Pre-award Activities

- a. Administrative and business review may include negotiation/revision to project request.

9) Applicant Feedback & Awards

RESOURCES

- See [Overview of IES Research and Research Training Grants Programs](#)
- Browse current projects through [project search tool](#)
- [Research Funding Webinars](#)
- Questions? For general inquires, [contact IES](#). For specific funding opportunities: [National Center for Education Research](#) or [National Center for Special Education Research](#)