



Ohio PBIS Network

2020-2021 OH PBIS Awards Application FAQ

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Q: The due date of May 1, 2021, falls on a Saturday and our building is closed on the weekends due to COVID. I am wondering if we can turn the application in on May 3?**

A: The due date will always be May 1st or the first workday thereafter. SSTs have flexibility as to how to address the due date should it fall on a weekend.

- 2. Q: When the buildings and districts turn in the applications with the impact statement and school profiles, will the consultants be required to make copies of the impact statement and school profiles to forward to ODE?**

A: Yes.

- 3. Q: How should I organize my district or building's evidence for review?**

A: The Ohio PBIS Network has provided optional Evidence Binder Tabs for Tier I, II and III as a PDF within the Current Tools and Resources folder that can be utilized within a 3 ring binder. (Check with your SST if they request electronic submissions.)

- 4. Q: The due date is May 1, what if the school has not clarified action steps for the next school year (since this is now one of the required questions) by this deadline?**

A: The action steps are formulated by the District or Building PBIS Team and should be completed by May 1st.

5. Q: On pg. 13 for the School Profile Template, if they are only applying for Bronze, do they have to complete the TFI for Tiers 2 and 3? Same for Silver: do they have to submit a TFI score for Tier 3?

A: Buildings and Districts need only complete a TFI for the Award Level(s) they are applying for.

6. Q: Do schools need to complete the TFI if they are carrying over their award from last year?

A: No. They are not required to submit the TFI for any carryover awards. They only submit Application Information, Impact Statement, Team picture in JPG, and School Profile Template. (However, annual completion of the TFI is best practice and should be guiding the actions steps of the team in the Impact statement)

7. Q: For carryover district winners, do they still have to have a percentage of their buildings apply and be awarded?

A: Yes, the District Award Criteria still applies.

8. Q: Who will be "scoring" my application?

A: Each SST Region assigns who scores the applications.

9. Q: What if I disagree with the score? Is there an appeals process?

A: There is not a formal appeals process. This is handled within each SST Region.

10. Q: Can we get guidance regarding applications coming from districts with SPP findings? Are we including Indicator 4 and/or disproportional findings or any findings?

A: If your district has been identified for "Required Actions" by the Office for Exceptional Children at the Ohio Department of Education through

their 2020-2021 Special Education Profile for Compliance Indicator 4 (Discipline Discrepancies) or Compliance Indicator 10 (Significant Disproportionality: Behavior) as “Not Met”, you must provide verification that your district is actively working through all corrective action requirements with your regional State Support Team, and your building is not contributing to the district’s overall issue. Examples of verification include the following: building level data for the identified indicator, out-of-school suspensions or expulsions of 10 cumulative days or fewer, out-of-school suspensions or expulsions of greater than 10 cumulative days, in-school suspensions of 10 cumulative days or fewer, in-school suspensions of greater than 10 cumulative days, and total cumulative days of discipline removals, including in-school and out-of-school suspensions, expulsions, in-school alternate discipline class/program/building, emergency removal by district personnel and removal by a hearing officer. Your attestation can be provided on a separate document.

11. Q: Does 70% ensure eligibility for recognition? What qualitative measures are being used to know that a school district/building qualifies?

A: Districts/Buildings/Programs should submit evidence to support the application. Just stating the TFI score of 70% is not enough evidence to secure the new award level being applied for.