

MEMO

DATE: May 11, 2026

TO: Providers of Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education

FROM: Kathy Olesen-Tracey, Senior Director for Adult Education and Literacy
Kang Hee Hong, Director for English Language Acquisition

SUBJECT: State Fiscal Year 2027 IELCE Allocations

Attached are the State Fiscal Year 2027 Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education (IELCE) allocations. The total allocation for providers this year is \$2,923,234.10. Federal funding remains level with the prior year, and no carryover funds were available from the previous fiscal year.

Provider allocations are determined using a standardized statewide formula designed to ensure equitable and performance-based distribution of funds. The formula consists of three components: Base (15%), Student Enrollment (40%), and Attendance Hours (45%), each calculated using a three-year average (FY23-25).

It is important to note that funding is based on proportional share rather than absolute numbers. This means that changes in a provider's allocation are influenced not only by their own performance, but also by changes in overall statewide enrollment and attendance totals. As a result, a program may see a decrease in funding even if its individual numbers increased, if its proportional share of the statewide totals declined.

Programs that began receiving IELCE funding in FY25 may notice more significant changes in their allocations. This is because FY27 calculations now include FY25 data as part of the required three-year average. In prior years, limited or no historical data was available for these programs, which affects how their proportional share is now calculated within the full formula.

ICCB applies a rigorous multi-step review process to ensure the accuracy and integrity of all allocation calculations. This includes validation of enrollment and attendance data, verification of formula inputs, and multiple levels of internal review prior to finalization.

Increases in funding are typically associated with gains in proportional share of enrollment and/or attendance, while decreases may reflect shifts in statewide totals or changes in relative program performance. Because attendance carries the largest weight (45%), fluctuations in attendance hours often have the most significant impact on allocation changes.

Indirect Cost Reminder: For IELCE, grantees are not limited to 5% for general administration. Indirect costs may be budgeted according to the most recent election made in the GATA system. Those elections, made on the GATA grantee portal, are Federal Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate (NICRA), State NICRA, De Minimis (15% as of 10/1/2024) or waive indirect costs. A grantee may budget for indirect costs in amounts that are less than the amount for which it is eligible. A grantee may not utilize a different method for charging indirect costs; the election made and documented on GATA must be used.

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to Kang Hee Hong at kanghee.hong@illinois.gov.

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Grant Award Determination Form

Grant Title: FY27 Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education
Grant Period: July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027
Total Program Funding: \$2,923,234.11
Grant Lead: Kang Hee Hong

Awardees

Grant Recipient	Award Amount
ASIAN HUMAN SERVICES	\$93,018.22
BLACK HAWK COLLEGE	\$57,885.19
CHINESE MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION	\$170,848.95
COLLEGE OF LAKE COUNTY	\$94,041.18
ELGIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$127,077.51
HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$173,933.97
HEARTLAND HUMAN CARE SERVICES	\$77,491.99
ILLINOIS VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$20,343.59
INSTITUTO DEL PROGRESO LATINO	\$235,256.30
JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE	\$40,365.91
KISHWAUKEE COLLEGE	\$31,008.34
LEWIS AND CLARK COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$31,453.38
LINCOLN LAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$93,924.89
LITERACY CHICAGO	\$87,726.96
MCHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE	\$45,740.02
MUNDELEIN CONS. HIGH SCHOOL #120	\$85,338.39
OAKTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$99,176.81
PODER / ENGLISH WORKS	\$36,540.94
PARKLAND COLLEGE	\$26,065.40
POLISH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION	\$101,665.54
PUI TAK CENTER	\$98,240.10
ROE 33 HENDERSON/ KNOX/ MERCER/ WARREN COUNTIES	\$27,784.85
RICHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	\$40,390.76
ROCK VALLEY COLLEGE	\$126,682.04
SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE	\$111,204.19
THE LITERACY COUNCIL	\$26,266.01
TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #113	\$43,420.36
TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #211	\$67,777.14

