

ePrize 2017

Purpose: To foster collaboration between Orange County (OC) district and charter schools around innovations in order to improve educational outcomes for the underserved in OC.

Challenges: Although once one of the nation's most powerful high-end economies, OC's sustainable growth is unclear. According to Joel Kotkin, RC Hobbs Presidential Fellow in urban futures at Chapman University, OC has a chance to emerge as a "Pro-Tech" hub in the coming decade. With the highest combined technology and arts concentration of any major region, the possibilities for OC's future prosperity are great. However, with its low housing affordability, there is a need for high-wage employment growth. There is a concerted effort underway by the OC business community to address some of these problems. At the core of these efforts is the recognition that OC needs excellent schools. The California (CA) Department of Education data for the 2015-2016 school year shows that only 51.1% of OC high school students graduated with the necessary A through G requirements to attend a UC or a CSU. While this number is above the CA state average of 45%, it does not bode well for high-wage employment preparation. We need an all out effort by local business, academia, government and our communities focused on excellent schools for all of Orange County. All parties need to collaborate and that will take leadership and new ways of thinking.

Collaborative projects and programs: 1-3 years

Funding: up to \$100,000* per year over three years

**The first two years of funding has already been raised by CES's funding partner, eXCELLENT SCHOOLS OC (eSOC), through a \$200,000 commitment from the Pamela and Andrew Horowitz Family.*

Timeline:

- July 1 – Letters of Intent due – email to: ces@chapman.edu with subject line: ePrize 2017
 - 1 page description of proposed collaboration
 - Include: Name of collaboration, purpose, schools, contact information for both contacts
- September 30 – Online proposal submissions due at: <http://tinyurl.com/eprize2017>
- Wednesday, October 25, 3:30-6:30pm – Winners announced at Roundtable3

[Criteria] The proposed collaboration must:

- (1) Describe an innovative, collaborative project developed between at least two partners, one from an OC district (non-charter) setting, and one from an OC independent charter school.
- (2) Address a particular problem that impedes the educational success of underserved students in OC.
- (3) Show how a collaboration between the teachers and principals will address the problem in ways that could not be achieved without the benefits of collaboration.
- (4) Identify the specific teachers and grade levels that will participate in the collaboration.
- (5) Include goals and a timeline.
- (6) Include a budget and a description of what the ePrize will be able to provide that is necessary for the project's success.
- (7) Include the multiple outcome measures that will be used to determine success. Outcome measures include, but are not limited to, the CA Dashboard.
- (8) Address the sustainability of the project.

Rubric: A scale of 1-6 with 6 being the highest. Each criterion will be rated as follows:

0: Not addressed | 1-2: Needs Improvement | 3: Satisfactory | 4-5: Very Good | 6: Excellent

For more information, contact: Dominic Trinh at trinh@chapman.edu or 714-516-5980.

ePrize 2017 – Online Proposal Submission Form at <http://tinyurl.com/eprize2017>

(1) District School Information, (2) Independent Charter School information, (3) Proposal Description

Email address (required)

Section 1: District School Information

District School Name
District School Website (optional)
District School Address Line 1
District School Address Line 2 (optional)
District School City
District School Zip Code
District School Contact - First Name
District School Contact - Last Name
District School Contact - Phone Number
District School Contact - Email Address
District School Contact - Phone Number

Section 2: Independent Charter School Information

Charter School Name
Charter School Website (optional)
Charter School Address Line 1
Charter School Address Line 2 (optional)
Charter School City
Charter School Zip Code
Charter School Contact - First Name
Charter School Contact - Last Name
Charter School Contact - Phone Number
Charter School Contact - Email Address
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Thank you for your ePrize 2017 proposal submission.

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