

# **Alabama 21st Century Community Learning Centers**

In support of *Alabama Plan 2020*, the Alabama 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) Competitive Grant is an opportunity for schools, community-based and faith-based organizations, universities, for-profit agencies, and other eligible entities to establish and expand community learning centers that provide students, particularly those who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools, with academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours.

Successful programs must demonstrate collaboration and cooperation with regular school academic programs and assist students in meeting state and local college- and career-ready curriculum standards through the provision of enrichment opportunities. Programmatic efforts must afford students and families a broad array of activities that complement learning, positively impact youth development, and promote parent and family engagement.