

APPENDIX 1

FY 2026 Students, Teachers, and Officers Preventing (STOP) School Violence Program

Compliance Requirements

- Student Privacy and Data Security: Applications must ensure that the improvements to be funded under the grant are:
 - Protective of student privacy, as required by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and applicable state privacy laws; ensure that students are not discriminated against on the basis of race, national origin, disability, religion, or sex.
 - Limited to allow personnel in law enforcement agencies to receive student information from education records only when such disclosure is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other individuals (e.g., necessary to prevent school violence).
 - Consistent with a comprehensive approach to preventing school violence.
 - Individualized to the needs of each school at which those improvements are to be made.

For more information related to policies and protocols to address student privacy and data security see, studentprivacy.ed.gov and studentprivacy.ed.gov/resources/school-resource-officers-school-law-enforcement-units-and-ferpa.

Suitability for Covered Individuals Who May Interact with Participating Minors:

If the applicant indicates that a purpose of some or all of the activities to be carried out under the award (whether by the recipient, or a subrecipient at any tier) is to benefit a set of individuals under 18 years of age, the recipient, and any subrecipient at any tier, must make determinations of suitability before certain individuals may interact with participating minors. This requirement applies regardless of an individual's employment status. The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) may not permit any covered individual to interact with any participating minor in the course of activities under the award, unless the recipient or subrecipient first has made a written determination of the suitability of that individual to interact with participating minors. A condition will be attached to all awards related to this requirement but applies to an award only if it is indicated in the application that the purpose of the activities will benefit individuals under the age of 18. Additional information can be found [here](#).