STATE OF CONNECTICUT
PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

Public Educational and Governmental Programming and Education Technology Investment Account (PEGPETIA) Grant Program Application & Itemized Budget

Instructions for Filing a Motion to Apply for a PEGPETIA Grant

Motion Deadline

The Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (Authority or PURA) oversees a program to award Public Educational and Governmental Programming Grants (PEG Grants) and Education Technology Investment Grants (ETI Grants) to eligible entities. See General Statutes § 16-331cc. **This PEGPETIA Grant Program Application must be filed as a motion in Docket No. 26-10-02 no later than noon on November 20, 2026.**

Program Funding Eligibility

PEG grant funding is intended to improve public, educational, and governmental access programming in Connecticut, and funds should be used for capital and equipment costs that aid the production or procurement of public, educational, and governmental programs. To ensure the funding is used appropriately, after completion of the project, PEG grant recipients must file a report of the project enabled by the grant funds.

ETI grant funding is intended to support education technology initiatives of boards of education and other education entities (public and private schools are eligible to apply). To ensure the funding is used appropriately, after completion of the project, ETI grant recipients must file a report of the project enabled by the grant funds.

Submission of Motion

Applicants must complete and file the Application with Itemized Budget electronically to PURA as a motion in Docket No. 26-10-02, at https://portal.ct.gov/pura/about/filing-and-forms/make-an-electronic-filing. Applicants who have not previously registered must first register for an account.

Motions must include an Application and Itemized Budget for the projects to be funded by the grant. Quotes, invoices, or similar documentation must be submitted for each item to be purchased with grant funds.

The motion will be assigned a unique motion number after it is filed. The allowable electronic filing size is 20 MB. If the motion's attachments (Application with Itemized Budget plus other attachments) exceed the allowable limit, the motion may include only the completed Application with Itemized Budget, and the remaining attachments must be filed as supplemental filings to the same motion. Subsequent supplements must also be filed as supplemental filings under the assigned motion number.

Questions regarding the electronic filing of the motion and supplements should be directed to Docket Control at PURA.ExecutiveSecretary.gov or (860) 827-2836.

Docket No. 26-10-02 East Lyme Public Schools

I. Applicant Information

1. Organization Name: East Lyme Public Schools
2. Mailing Address: 165 Boston Post Road
3. Employer Identification Number: 0660001610
4. Contact Person for Service List ***(required)*** ☐ ***(check if new/updated)***

   Name: Annaliese Spaziano

   Mailing Address: 165 Boston Post Road

   Phone Number: 8607393966

   Email Address: annaliese.spaziano@elpsk12.org
5. Additional Contact Person for Service List ***(optional)*** ☑ ***(check if new/updated)***

   Name: Kimberly daley

   Mailing Address: 165 Boston Post road Box 220 East Lyme, CT 06333

   Phone Number: 860-739-3966

   Email Address: kimberly.daley@elpsk12.org
6. Authorized Representative ***(required)***

   Note: The authorized representative will not be on the service list unless also listed as a contact person, above.

   Name: Annaliese Spaziano

   Mailing Address: 165 Boston Post road

   Phone Number: 8607393966

   Email Address: annaliese.spaziano@elpsk12.org
7. Purpose of Grant (check one):

   ☐ PEG Grant (capital and equipment for producing/procuring programming)

   ☑ ETI Grant (educational technology initiative)
8. Amount Requested: $ $ 45,571.00

   Note: The "Amount Requested" will autocalculate upon completion of the Itemized Budget, below.

II. Applicant Eligibility

9. Organization Type (check one):

PEG (Programming)

☐ Local community antenna television and video advisory council

☐ State-wide video advisory council

☐ Public, educational and governmental programmer

☐ Public, educational and governmental studio operator

ETI (Educational Technology Initiative)

☑ Board of Education

☐ Public library

☐ Other education entity: _____

10. Which of the following describes your organization?

☐ Connecticut State Agency

☐ Municipality

☐ Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. Provide Secretary of the State No.: _____

☐ Other (e.g., LLC or corporation). Provide Secretary of the State No.: _____

11. For each of the PEGPETIA Grant cycles below, indicate whether your organization received a grant and submitted all required compliance filings:

Docket No.	Grant Received?	Date of Compliance Filing		
		Order No. 2	Order No. 3	Order No. 4
24-10-02	☑ Yes ☐ No	3.2.2026	3.2.2026	3.2.206
23-10-02	☑ Yes ☐ No	12.20.2024	12.20.2024	12.20.2024
22-10-02	☑ Yes ☐ No	12.14.2023	12.14.2023	12.14.2023
21-10-13	☑ Yes ☐ No	2.7.2023	2.7.2023	2.7.2023

Note: If you have received a grant in any of the dockets listed above, you must submit any outstanding compliance filings prior to submitting this application.

III. Investment or Initiative Eligibility

12. Provide a description of proposed capital and equipment investment or education technology initiative. State expected enhancements to PEG programming or education technology. If applicable, state why similar equipment is not available from the local community access studio (PEG only).

The proposed educational technology initiative is the purchase and installation of a 20,000-lumen LCD projector, specialized zoom lens, projector mounting system, and a protective projector cage in the school gymnasium. This equipment will be paired with a projector screen successfully funded and installed during a previous PEGPETIA grant cycle. The expected enhancement to our education technology is the ability to project high-quality multimedia presentations and visual content to large audiences. This will directly support school-wide assemblies and large community-based events, such as our annual Veterans Day ceremony, where clear visibility in a massive venue is critical for audience engagement.

13. Identify the affected geographical area(s) and/or school system(s) that will benefit from the investment or initiative:

The primary beneficiaries of this initiative include the East Lyme and Salem communities and their respective school systems. Additionally, the equipment will be available for broader regional use, supporting events organized by local legislators and community organizations. These events are open to a wide audience, including participants from neighboring towns. The Family University Series is one such initiative that welcomes East Lyme residents and members from surrounding communities.

14. State the number of subscribers served or students impacted:

The primary student beneficiaries include approximately 950 students at East Lyme High School. Beyond the student body, this investment will serve community members of East Lyme, Salem, and other southeastern Connecticut communities who will have access to the equipment for local and regional events.

15. List the schedule for implementation, including estimated dates for key milestones and completion.

Note: Completed projects are not eligible.

Implementation Timeline and Key Milestones
July 1, 2027 – All equipment ordered and delivered
August 15, 2027 – Installation and setup completed
September 2027 (Start of the 2027-2028 School Year) – Full utilization of the equipment begins, maximizing impact for both internal stakeholders (students, teachers, staff) and external stakeholders (community organizations, local representatives, etc.)

16. Identify objective performance measures that can be used to evaluate the success or effectiveness of the investment or initiative:

Successful installation and operational testing of the projector assembly using the rented lift.

Frequency of use, measured by the number of school and community events (e.g., Veterans Day) utilizing the new projection system annually.

Qualitative feedback from event organizers and attendees regarding visual clarity and improved audience engagement in the gymnasium.

17. Description of organization, including experience and competence related to the proposed project:

The implementation of this project will be overseen by a dedicated team with expertise in technology and instructional support:Assistant Superintendent (East Lyme Board of Education), Technology Team Leader (Custom Technology), Technology Engineer (Custom Technology)Three Technology Instructional Coaches, Instructional Technologist (East Lyme Board of Education), Three Custom Support Technicians (Custom Technology). In addition to our technology team, the district has prioritized the integration of educational and community programming technology. Recent infrastructure upgrades have been supported through E-Rate funding in partnership with Custom Computers. Furthermore, a certified educator who also serves as an AV technology facilitator, is paid a stipend to oversee the setup and use of AV technology in the district. This individual teaches four different courses that will directly utilize the requested equipment and has played a key role in the development of this grant proposal. By securing this funding, we will significantly enhance educational and community programming, ensuring that both students and residents have access to high-quality technological resources for communication, learning, and engagement. The district has a proven track record of competence in successfully managing and implementing educational technology initiatives, having been awarded many PEGPETIA grants. The district has successfully executed these projects and submitted all required compliance filings on time.

IV. Budget Information

18. Partner organization(s) or other funding sources (if applicable):

ELPS BOE

19. Have you completed the PEGPETIA Itemized Budget form below (with an itemized budget for the investment or initiative)?

☑ Yes.

☐ No. Explain:

20. Have you provided supporting documentation for each item, such as copies of bids, estimates, and quotes?

☑ Yes.

☐ No. Explain:

21. Are the non-equipment costs for design and engineering, installation, training, and warranties/insurance less than 10% of the overall grant request?

Note: Software may be categorized as equipment. Other non-equipment expenses (such as salaries, service agreements, or stipends) are <u>not permitted</u> as part of the grant request.

☐ Yes.

☑ No. Explain: The East Lyme Board of Education (BOE) is cost-sharing this project through local district operating funds. Specifically, the BOE will contribute $7,006.00 toward the total $10,856.00 installation labor cost so that the grant-funded installation portion remains below the 10% non-equipment threshold. Additionally, the BOE will assume 100% of the $141.00 cost for the 5-year projector service support agreement (PT-SVCEXTWAR5YLG), which has been excluded from the grant request.

V. PEG Grant CAP Acknowledgment

22. **For PEG Grant Applicants Only:** The Applicant understands that it must review and comply with the relevant community access provider operating rules and regulations, including the prohibition of the presentation of any advertising material designed to promote the sale of commercial products or services (including advertising by or on behalf of candidates for public office). The Applicant further acknowledges that no organization or company providing community access operations shall exercise editorial control over programming, except as to programming that is obscene and except as otherwise allowed by applicable state and federal law.

☐ Yes.

☐ No.

VI. Signature of Authorized Representative

I, Annaliese Spaziano, am authorized to sign this application on behalf of the applicant organization. Under the penalty of law, by signing this application, I affirm that the information provided to the Authority is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that any errors of omissions will be timely corrected and resubmitted.

I understand that grant funding may be denied due to failure to provide the information and supporting documentation required by this Application.

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(Signature)

November 17, 2026

(Date)

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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PEGPETIA ITEMIZED BUDGET

Instructions

Required Information

You must provide this itemized budget for the capital and equipment investment or education technology initiative proposed in your application. For each expense, you must provide the following information:

(1) Name of expense

(2) Total amount of expense (unit cost x quantity)

(3) Brief description

(4) Quantity requested

(5) Unit price

(6) A copy of a bid, estimate, or similar documentation; and

(7) Type of cost (equipment, design, engineering, installation, training, warranty, insurance, other)

For each expense listed, you must attach a copy of the bid, estimate, or similar documentation.

Note: The Authority cannot accept links to online vendors as documentation of expenses. You may, however, attach saved or printed copies of equipment listed for sale with online vendors as documentation.

Types of Costs

Non-equipment costs (such as design, engineering, installation, training, warranties, or insurance) must be reasonable and should be limited to less than 10% of the overall grant. Other non-equipment expenses (such as salaries, service agreements, or stipends) are not permitted as part of the grant request.

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2. Docket Number: 26-10-02
3. Docket Name: Annual Allocation of Public Educational and Governmental Programming and Education Technology Investment Account

II. Budget Template

Expense	Amount	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Bid/ Estimate Attached	Type of Cost
(Example) Studio Camera	$ 1,400.00	(Example) Make, Model No. XYZ123, Qty 4, Unit Price $350	4	$350/each	✓	Equipment
(Example) Camera Install	$ 175.00	(Example) Installation of all cameras, connection to existing studio setup, and training personnel	1	$175	✓	Installation
LCD Projector	$ 23,022.00	20,000 Lumens, LCD, WUXGA Resolution (1,920 x 1,200) No Lense	1	32,0322	✔	Equipment
Lens	$ 6,607.00	.48 0.55:1 Zoom Lense for Projector	1	6607	✔	Equipment
Freight	$ 211.00	Shipping	1	211	✔	Shipping
Projector Mounting	$ 1,875.00	Mount, pole, projector interface	1	1875	✔	Equipment
Projector Cage	$ 1,500.00	Projector cage for protection	1	1500	✔	Equipment
Nat Rental equipment	$ 1,500.00	Equipment Lift Rental	1	1500	✔	Equipment
Installation Labor	$ 10,856.00	Labor for installation	1	10856	✔	Installation
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(Signature) ***(Date)***