



## Request for Proposals Evaluator for Full-Service Community Schools Grant

Spartanburg Academic Movement (SAM) is seeking proposals from qualified and experienced evaluators to assess the impact and effectiveness of our Full-Service Community Schools Grant. SAM is a dedicated organization committed to improving educational outcomes and fostering community engagement in Spartanburg.

### Project Overview

Spartanburg Academic Movement has been awarded a 2023 Full-Service Community Schools Grant to implement initiatives aimed at enhancing the educational experience, fostering community partnerships, and improving outcomes for students in Spartanburg. The grant encompasses various programs and activities designed to create a holistic and supportive learning environment.

### Scope of Work

The selected evaluator will be responsible for conducting a comprehensive evaluation of the Full-Service Community Schools Grant. Key responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

1. Assessing the effectiveness of implemented programs and initiatives.
2. Measuring the impact of community partnerships on student outcomes.
3. Evaluating the overall success of the grant in achieving its stated objectives.
4. Providing actionable recommendations for improvement and sustainability.
5. Aligning and supporting staff responses to national evaluator requirements.
6. Reporting findings in fulfillment of grantor expectations and in clear and accessible manner for project staff and steering committee.

### We are seeking evaluators with the following qualifications:

1. Demonstrated experience in evaluating educational programs, preferably in a community schools context or other U.S. Department of Education grant programs (i.e. FSCS, Promise Neighborhoods, Gear Up, etc.)
2. Expertise in both qualitative and quantitative research methodologies.
3. Strong communication skills, including the ability to present findings in a clear and accessible manner.

### Proposal Submission

Interested evaluators are invited to submit a detailed proposal outlining their approach to evaluating the Full-Service Community Schools Grant. Proposals should include the following:

1. Overview of relevant experience and qualifications.
2. Proposed methodology and timeline for the evaluation.
3. Detailed budget, including all anticipated expenses.
4. Two professional references.

**Submission Deadline: March 29, 2024 5:00 p.m.**

**Submission via email only to Dr. Jennifer Parker, FSCS Project Director [jparker@learnwithsam.org](mailto:jparker@learnwithsam.org)**

### Selection Process

SAM staff will review submitted applications and may request interviews. It is anticipated we will conclude the selection process by the end of April 2024

