

Dear

It's (almost) spring and Phase II of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Opportunity Online Hardware Grant is underway. As a reminder, you may wish to review the information below.

The number of computers allocated to you in Phase II:

The monetary value assigned to the computers:

Your match responsibility:

The grant basics including the hardware, wiring, peripherals and technical support that can be purchased with this money have not changed from Phase I. You may either refer to the NY State Gates Opportunity Online Hardware Grant website- <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/gateslib/hardware/index.html> or contact me if you have any questions. Additionally, please remember that, once you have purchased the number of computers allocated to you, the remaining funds may also be saved to be utilized in the future for maintenance, upgrades and replacement of your Opportunity Online computers and peripherals.

As in Phase I, you will need to complete Match Verification forms, a Non-Supplanting Assurance form, an authentication form and a Phase II FS20. Attached are: instructions for the meeting the match verification requirement, the match verification cover form, the authentication form and the non-supplanting assurance form. These forms are not yet posted on the NY State Gates Hardware Grant website, but will be in the near future. Obviously, I will let you know when that occurs. The FS-20 will be sent to you in a couple of weeks along with return instructions for all these forms. You should plan on having these forms completed by April 17, 2009. If you have any questions regarding these forms, please contact me.

As ever, I look forward to working with you on Phase II of the Opportunity Online Grant. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this e-mail or your participation in Phase II, please contact me immediately.

Thank you.
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