

## Request for Proposal 2026 #STEAM Kits Questions and Answers

Please see below for the questions received by 2/4/26 regarding the Request for Proposal 2026 #STEAM Kits

- Is there a desired dollar value or range per kit? **As long as total is close to \$300,000 there is no specific limit per kit.**
- What age level is the kit for, or category (infant/toddler, pre-k, etc.)? **School Readiness children between the age of 2 to 5 years old**
- Must the kit include an activity for each part of STEAM and be designated as such? **The kit does not need to include a separate or individually labeled activity for each component of STEAM. However, activities included in the kit should collectively support STEAM-related learning and developmentally appropriate exploration aligned to the age group served (two-year-olds and VPK). Integrated activities that naturally incorporate multiple STEAM components are acceptable, if the overall kit meaningfully supports Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math learning outcomes.**
- How many teachers are to be trained? Based on classrooms: **approximately 1,442 teachers in approximately 588 classrooms.**
- How many shipping locations? (Based on distribution list): **195**
- What is the timeline requested for shipping to providers? **By mid-April**
- Is there a requirement for kit packaging (cardboard, loose, plastic bin, etc.)? **As compact as possible since childcare center sizes may vary – storage wise.**
- Is there a labeling requirement for the kit? **ELC of Brevard County, FL, [www.elcbrevard.org](http://www.elcbrevard.org), funding provided by the Division of Early Learning Florida**
- Is a landing page or YouTube channel acceptable for training? **This is acceptable for training**
- Is this a take home kit, or to be left in classroom? **Left in Classroom – since this is classroom materials.**
- Is it one kit per child? **Yes**
- Is the ELC looking for individual student kits, classroom kits, or both? **We are looking for classroom kits**

- For this RFP, does the organization expect a 1:1 student-to-kit model, or would a shared class set of STEM kits (used by small groups and/or rotated among multiple classes or learning centers) be acceptable? We are looking for a **1:1 student-to-kit model**
- Approximately how many early learning centers or sites are expected to participate? **195 sites**
- What is the approximate classroom size (number of children per classroom)? **Classroom size varies. We have approximately 1442 teachers in approximately 588 classrooms.**
- Does the Coalition prefer a train-the-trainer model, or direct training for all teachers receiving kits? **We prefer an on demand training so that all teachers and receive training at a time convenient for them.**
- Approximately how many teachers, coaches, or trainers should proposers assume will be trained? **approximately 1,440\_ teachers will be trained**
- Is there a preferred balance between in-person and virtual training, or flexibility for proposers to recommend an approach? **We prefer an on demand training so that all teachers and receive training at a time convenient for them.**
- What is the expected duration of the “defined implementation period” for post-training supports? **The expected duration of the implementation period is prior to June 30, 2026.**
- How many locations or schools will receive the kits? **195 sites**
- The RFP mentions "up to 5,000 kits"; however, if 3000 kits were created, locations would receive a greater selection of STEAM items. What cost per kit were you hoping to achieve through this bid? **As long as total is close to \$300,000 there is no specific limit per kit.**
- According to section 3.8 in the RFP, the Tentative Timeline, the Contractor will not be selected until March 13, but the first 200 kits are due to be delivered by March 25. Is there flexibility in this deliverable date? We would need additional time to produce and ship to Florida. **Our preference is to receive the first 200 kits prior to 3/25/26. The ability to send the 200 kits will be considered in our selection process.**
- What is the average classroom size for your area? **Classroom sizes differ. The estimated number of classrooms is estimated at**

- If the first 200 kits are due in March (or other date per question 1), when would the remaining kits be due? **The estimated shipping date is shipping to providers is mid-April and receipt of the kits to our providers by the end of April**
- Will the full amount of the grant be available for the purchase of the STEAM kits? **The full \$300,000 is allotted for this purchase. The price must include both kits shipped, training, and post-training supports.**