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- We will acknowledge the receipt of your application by e-mail. If you do not receive a notification of application receipt within 15 days from the date of mailing or hand delivery of your application, you should send an e-mail to LocalFlex@ed.gov.
- We will conduct a peer review of each complete application that is submitted to the Department. By statute, peer reviewers will be individuals who represent parents, teachers, SEAs, LEAs, and who are familiar with educational standards, assessments, accountability, curriculum, instruction and staff development, and other diverse educational needs of students.
- Reviewers will review applications for the Local-Flex program based on the selection criteria in this package.
- We expect to negotiate an actual agreement between a participating LEA and the Department. The agreement will essentially incorporate the Local-Flex proposal and specify the specific, measurable educational goals that the applicant proposes to meet through the Local-Flex agreement.
- We intend to review applications within 60 days of receipt of an application.