

2024 TIME Fellowship Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible to apply?

Currently, applications are accepted from select personnel within traditional public Sarasota County Schools (SCS). This does not include charter, private, or virtual schools. Eligible personnel include (a) teachers of record (licensed teachers assigned the lead responsibility for full-time instruction and grade assignment in classrooms), (b) assistant principals, or (c) principals who:

- Are currently employed by and have taught in SCS full-time for at least three academic school years.
- Hold a valid Professional Certificate with the Florida Department of Education.
- Confirm their intention to teach/work in traditional public SCS for at least three academic years following their fellowship.

Can couples in which both parties are educators apply?

Yes, and each applicant is eligible to receive up to \$12,000 for their fellowship, so \$24,000 total in this case.

Can someone who is not employed by Sarasota County Schools join me on my fellowship? Yes, so long as the fellowship does not exceed the budget.

If I applied in the past, but my fellowship proposal was not chosen, can I reapply? Yes, there is no limit to how frequently you apply. We welcome and encourage return applicants.

Can my letter of recommendation from a colleague be someone from outside of work?

No. Your letters of recommendation must be from someone who works within Sarasota County Schools.

Are the fellowship funds taxable?

Yes, selected participants will be issued a 1099 tax form for all funds they receive.

If prices change or I am under budget, can I get reimbursed more money than I applied for?

No. Once decisions have been made, all payments are final based on your requested budget.

If I was previously awarded a fellowship, can I apply again in the future?

If you received a fellowship in the past, you must wait five years to reapply.

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I incorrectly answered a question on the eligibility quiz. How should I proceed?

Email <u>TIME@barancikfoundation.org</u> and we will reset your eligibility quiz, so you are able to retake it.

When are 1099s mailed out?

Typically, 1099s are mailed in January, in the calendar year following the year you received your payment. For example, fellowship payments made in 2022 will receive a 1099 in January 2023.

Do I need approval to change my fellowship timeline or budget?

If you are making inconsequential or immaterial changes, you do not need approval. If your changes are significant, yes. Let us know by emailing TIME@barancikfoundation.org.

What document format do you require when I upload my timeline, budget, and letters of recommendation?

PDF is the preferred format.

If I am re-applying for a fellowship, should I create a new user ID?

No, simply log into the application portal using your previous user ID, which should be your email. If you forgot your password, click "forgot your password?" This will prevent the creation of duplicate profiles.