

Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) Program Michigan Parameters

The Michigan Department of Education will administer the Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) program through the Office Grants Coordination and School Support.

The Michigan parameters are as follows:

- A district may apply for more than one project, i.e., several school sites, so long as each site meets the eligibility requirements.
- The qualified zone academy bond allocation cap for each site is \$2 million. The allocation cap for each district is \$5 million. If funds remain after nine months of the announcement of new available allocations, districts at the cap may request a waiver to exceed the \$5 million cap.
- The bond issuance must occur within six months of the notice of allocation. A 3-month extension may be requested.

Individual school districts should consult with counsel to ensure all applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations are observed. This includes consulting with bond counsel to certify the proceeds of QZABs are used for purposes permitted under federal and state laws.

Applications are continually being accepted. Applications will be considered on a first-come, first-serve basis. Within approximately two weeks of receipt of the application, an eligible district will be notified by letter authorizing the allocation to the district. If necessary, a waiting list will be maintained.

For assistance in completing this application, please contact Eric Lipinski in the Office of Grants Coordination and School Support at 517-373-1806.