



School Security Grant Program Eligible District Type Definitions

An Eligible District Type is any of the following:

1. **City**

The territory within the corporate limits of each city, excluding the territory detached therefrom for school purposes and including the territory attached thereto for school purposes, constitutes a city school district. (R.C. 3311.02)

2. **Exempted Village**

Each school district known as an exempted village school district on September 16, 1943, shall be known as an "exempted village school district" and shall continue to be known as an exempted village school district until it has lost its identity as a separate school district or has acquired a different styling as provided by law.

3. **Local**

Each school district, other than a city school district, exempted village school district, joint vocational school district, or district then known as a county school district, in existence on September 16, 1943, shall be known as a "local school district" and shall continue to be known as a "local school district" until it has lost its identity as a separate school district or has acquired a different styling as provided by law.

4. **Community School**

In Ohio, community schools, often called charter schools in other states, are public nonprofit, nonsectarian schools that operate independently of any school district but under a contract with an authorized sponsoring entity that is established by statute or approved by the State Board of Education. Community schools are public schools of choice and are state and federally funded.

5. **Joint Vocational**

A joint vocational school district may be created by an individual or group of districts to provide career technical education to all students. Once created, the joint vocational school district is treated like a city school district except that it is not subject to civil service laws. Management and control of the joint vocational school district rests with its board, which is determined by the plan for the district filed with the State Board of Education.

6. **STEM**

Each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school established under ORC 3326.07 is a public school, is part of the state's program of education, and may continue in operation for as long as the school is in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and with the proposal for its establishment as approved by the STEM committee.

7. Educational Service Center (ESC)

Educational Service Centers provide direct instruction and quality professional development to partner districts to improve education for all students, particularly those with special needs. ESC's offer partner district's educational assistance through a growing list of programs that includes instructional coaching, administrative counseling, professional employment services, and business services.

8. County Boards of Developmental Disabilities (DD)

County Boards of DD provide services to infants and children with developmental disabilities, including case management, schools, infant therapy, family support, housing support, funding assistance, benefits assistance, and more.

9. Chartered Nonpublic School

A Chartered Nonpublic school is a private school that holds a valid charter issued by the state board of education and maintains compliance with the Operating Standards for Ohio's Schools (Ohio Administrative Code 3301-35-12). These schools are not supported by local or state tax dollars and require the family to pay tuition.