

Peer and Expert Reviewer Stipend Policy for 2018-19 TEAM Portfolios

Peer Reviewer Requirements

To become a certified peer reviewer, all candidates are required to complete the online peer reviewer training, pass the certification test, and attend the appropriate in-person peer reviewer convening for their portfolio model area.

Stipend Policy for Peer Reviewers

Certified peer reviewers may earn up to \$750.00 for scoring portfolios. The stipend is broken up into two parts:

- To receive the first \$300.00, peer reviewers must attend the required in-person convening AND score a minimum number of collections:
 - o For fine arts, P.E., pre-K, first, and second grades, peer reviewers must score at least five collections during the one-day convening.
 - o For kindergarten, peer reviewers must score at least 10 collections during the two-day convening.
- To receive the remaining \$450.00, peer reviewers must score at least 40 collections total (which amounts to 10 portfolios). Ideally, peer reviewers will have no more than 30-35 collections to score on their own after the in-person convening. Any collections not scored at the convening will be scored on the peer reviewer's own time.
- Scoring of the first 40 collections must be completed no later than **June 21** to allow for any needed additional reviews or expert reviews.

Travel Stipend

Peer reviewers who are traveling **more than 50 miles** to attend the in-person convening will receive a flat travel stipend based on their CORE region's distance from middle Tennessee. *It is strongly encouraged that teachers consider carpooling with their colleagues to maximize travel stipend earnings.*

CORE Region	Travel Stipend
East	\$300.00
First	\$450.00
Mid Cumberland	\$200.00
Northwest	\$300.00
South Central	\$200.00
Southeast	\$250.00
Southwest	\$350.00
Upper Cumberland	\$200.00

Scoring Additional Collections

If the need arises, peer reviewers are eligible to earn up to \$250.00 of additional funds for scoring additional collections above the 40 collections initially assigned. Reviewers will receive \$25.00 per collection for scoring up to an additional 10 collections. Any additional collections should be scored by June 21.



Expert Reviewer Requirements

To become a certified expert reviewer, all candidates are required to complete the online peer reviewer training, pass the certification test in their relevant content area, and attend the virtual expert reviewer scoring convening on June 10. Expert reviewers will score independently after the virtual convening.

Stipend Policy for Expert Reviewers

Expert reviewers are eligible for a stipend of \$250.00 for attending the virtual convening and scoring collections that require expert review.

Delivery of Funds to Districts

All stipends will be delivered to the district in two installments: one after the in-person convening and one after all the requirements are met. The district will then disburse the funds to the peer reviewer. Reviewer stipends and travel stipends are subject to 18 percent withholding for taxes and benefits, depending on district operations and policy.