



# Rural School Innovations Webinar Series

Northeast Tennessee College and Career Ready Consortium

The Niswonger Foundation

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# Welcome

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# Learn, Earn & Return

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# Investing in Innovation Fund

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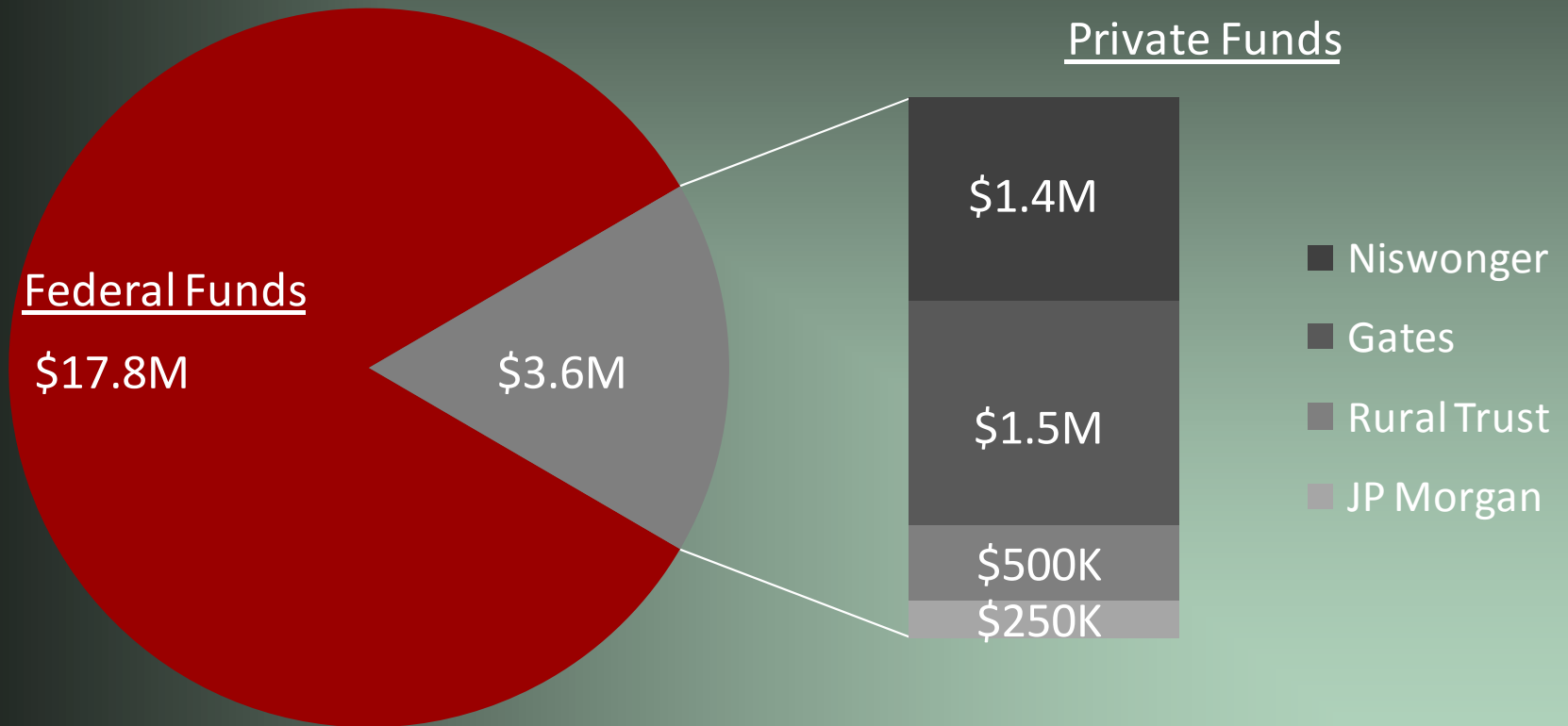
## Investing in Innovation Fund



Category	Applicants	Awards	Average Award
Scale Up	19	4	\$49.7 million
Validation	355	15	\$20.9 million
Development	1,324	30	\$4.7 million
Total	1,698	49	\$13.3 million

# Funding Sources

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To ensure sustainability, LEAs will pick up select recurring costs at a rate of 25% in 2011-12, 50% in 2012-13, 75% in 2013-14, and 100% in 2014-15 and thereafter.

# Who We Serve

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# Chuckey-Doak High School

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# Consortium Partners





# Who We Are

- 15 School Systems
- 29 High Schools
- 3 Institutes of Higher Education
- 27,200 Students
- 2 Community Colleges
- 2 Technical Centers
- Covering 3,941 Square Miles

# North Green High School

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# Goals

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- Ensure all students, especially students from under-represented populations, graduate high school prepared for college or a career
- Improve the likelihood that students successfully complete college

# Strategies

- Expanding dual enrollment programs in the region, which allow high school students to take courses at local colleges and universities
- Increasing the number of Advanced Placement courses offered at each high school
- Increasing the number of rigorous distance learning courses offered at each high school

# Strategies

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- Increasing the number of rigorous online learning courses offered at each high school;
- Creating a Consortium coordinating body that will meet twice a year to determine the exact courses that need to be offered using the above strategies; and
- Providing additional career and college counseling resources to every high school student in the region.

# New and Rigorous Courses

Course Type	Current Seats		New Seats (Not Additive)			
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Distance Learning	435	140	420	700	1,120	1,120
Online Learning	270	280	840	1,400	2,400	2,400
AP	1,261	0	420	840	1,260	1,680
Dual Enrollment	2,174	1,346	2,691	5,382	10,764	10,764
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,138</b>	<b>1,766</b>	<b>4,371</b>	<b>8,322</b>	<b>15,384</b>	<b>15,804</b>



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# College and Career Counseling

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Nine new Consortium college and career ready counselors will work with existing school counselors to:

- Provide individualized counseling to students
- Use SAS projections to identify students who will excel in rigorous courses
- Train district personnel, school personnel, and community volunteers to provide college/career counseling support to students



# College and Career Counseling

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- Coordinate a series of workshops on college application and financial aid processes
- Organize a series of college/technical school visits for student
- Develop and distribute informational materials for educators, students and parents

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# Impact on School Districts

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- Dual Enrollment
- Distance Learning
- On-line Learning
- Distance and On-Line Learning Teacher Stipends
- College and Career Counselors

# Students Using Ipodcasts for Honors Algebra

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# Impact on School Districts

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- Technology
- Professional Development and Training
- Curriculum Review
- Advanced Placement Courses

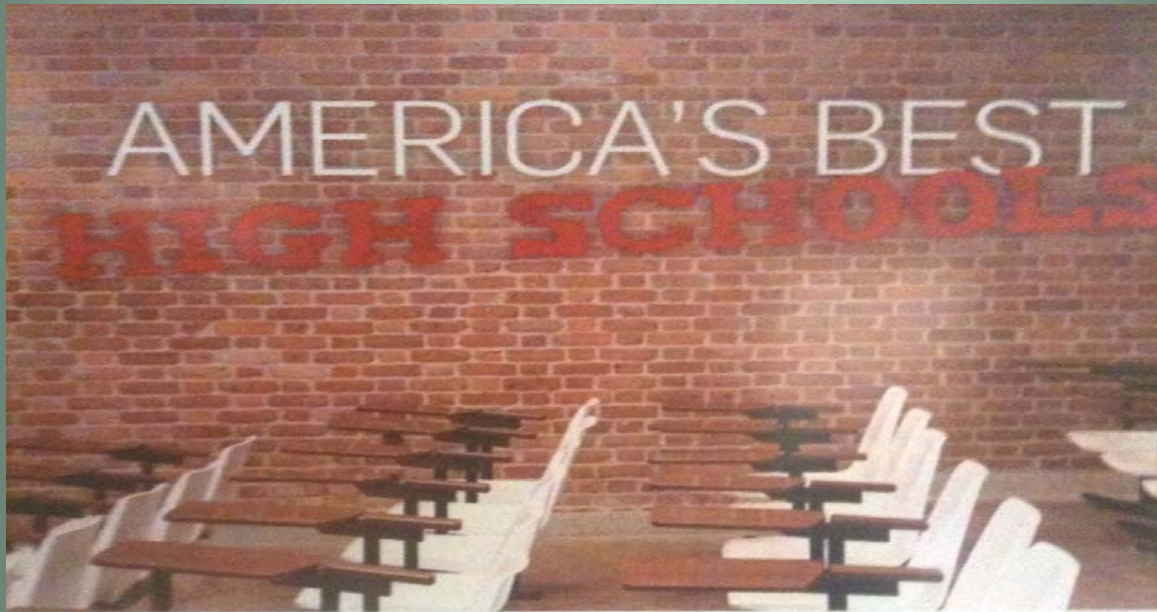
# Anticipated Outcomes

- Every student will have access to an array of rigorous courses, not to be limited by school or district size
- At least 10% of high school students will graduate with at least one year of post-secondary credit
- An additional 20% of high school students will graduate with at least half a year of post-secondary credit
- The post-secondary enrollment rate will increase from 70% to 80%
- The first to second year persistence rate will increase by 15% relative to the 2009-10 baseline

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# Progress to Date

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- More than 11,000 Career Counselor – Student contacts
- Trained 40 new Advanced Placement Teachers
- Opened 36 new online courses
- Opened 9 new distance learning courses
- Trained 31 school counselors in the use of College for TN
- Trained 9 school and career counselors as “trainers” in SREB / GO Alliance models



Thank you

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