

High Performance Points Criteria

New Construction, Additions to a Site, and Modernization	2002 Criteria
	23 points = 2% plus .03% for each point attained from 24-33 pts
	34 points = 2.35% plus .24% for each point attained from 35-40 pts
	41 points = 4% plus .36% for each point attained from 42-54 pts
	55 points = 9.05% plus .06% for each point attained from 56-72 pts
New Construction	2006 Criteria
	27 points = 2% plus .05% for each point attained from 28-33 pts
	34 points = 2.35% plus .24% for each point attained from 35-40 pts
	41 points = 4% plus .36% for each point attained from 42-54 pts
	55 points = 9.05% plus .06% for each point attained from 56-75 pts
Additions to a Site and Modernization	2006 Criteria
	20 points = 2% plus .025% for each point attained from 21-33 pts
	34 points = 2.35% plus .24% for each point attained from 35-40 pts
	41 points = 4% plus .36% for each point attained from 42-54 pts
	55 points = 9.05% plus .06% for each point attained from 56-77 pts
New Construction	2009 Criteria
	27 points = 2.35%
	28 points = 2.59% plus .24% for each point attained from 29-33 pts
	34 points = 4% plus .36% for each point attained from 35-47 pts
	48 points = 9.05% plus .06% for each point attained from 49-88 pts
Additions to a Site and Modernization	2009 Criteria
	20 points = 2.18% plus .025% for each point attained from 21-26 pts
	27 points = 2.35% plus .24% for each point attained from 28-33 pts
	34 points = 4% plus .36% for each point attained from 35-47 pts
	48 points = 9.05% plus .06% for each point attained from 49-84 pts

The percentage increase shall be applied to the appropriate New Construction or Modernization base grant.

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in California's schools



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BACKGROUND

Assembly Bill (AB) 127 provides \$100 million in incentive grants to promote the use of high performance attributes in new construction and modernization projects for K-12 schools. High performance attributes include using designs and materials that promote energy and water efficiency, maximize the use of natural lighting, improve indoor air quality, utilize recycled materials and materials that emit a minimum of toxic substances, and employ acoustics that are conducive to teaching and learning.

The School Facility Program regulations for the High Performance Incentive (HPI) grant program were approved by the Office of Administrative Law and became effective on October 1, 2007. The regulations include a High Performance Rating Criteria (HPRC) that is used to determine the high performance attributes in a project and assign each application a score that will directly correlate to the amount of funding a project receives. For the purposes of this program, the HPRC was modeled after the rating criteria as identified in the 2002, 2006 and 2009 California Collaborative of High Performance Schools (CHPS) Criteria. However, the criteria was modified to assure that funds allocated from this program focus on facility components that enhance high performance.

In May of 2010, the State Allocation Board (SAB) approved changes to the HPRC adding 16 additional credits and increasing the percentage increases associated with corresponding HPRC points attained in the design. Other changes included updating the HPRC in line with the 2009 California CHPS Criteria and the incorporation of 2008 California Energy Code requirements. Also, in November of 2010, the SAB approved changes to the HPI regulations to include California Green Code requirements. All of these changes were approved by the Office of Administrative Law and became effective on January 25, 2011.

NEW CONSTRUCTION

In order to qualify for the additional grant, new construction projects must meet all prerequisites in all HPRC categories; then, the district may select the credits it wishes to pursue. The minimum point threshold is 27 points and the maximum is 88 points, with a minimum of four points being obtained in the Superior Energy Performance and/or Alternate Energy Sources categories.

ADDITIONS TO A SITE AND MODERNIZATION

Additions to a site and modernization projects must meet all the prerequisites in the HPRC categories that are within the scope of the project; then, the district may select the credits it wishes to pursue. The minimum point threshold is 20 points and a maximum of 84 points can be attained.

PROCESS

The final score, which will be verified by the DSA, will determine the HPI grant amount. The increase to either the new construction or modernization base grant will be determined by the number of credits the project receives multiplied by a percentage factor, which will ultimately provide an increase ranging from two to just over 10 percent.

As part of the regulation changes that became effective on January 25, 2011, an entirely new component of HPI funding was approved in addition to the increases in credits available and the percentage increases. The High Performance Base Incentive Grant (HPBIG) was created as a one time per school site incentive to apply for HPI funds. The HPBIG awards \$150,000 for new school projects meeting the minimum threshold of 27 HPRC points and \$250,000 for new construction addition and modernization projects meeting the minimum threshold of 20 HPRC points.

Please continue to check the OPSC website for any updates regarding the HPI grant Program. Should you have any questions, please contact your Project Manager.



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