Buncombe County Early Childhood Education Committee
Grant Recommendation Process – March 2022

Each committee member will score each project application independently.

Committee members will have the opportunity to submit questions for grantees, and final scores are due after applicants have submitted written responses to these follow-up questions.

In the online grant portal, there is a new question for committee members to answer during their review: "Do you recommend this project for funding?" which will capture the number of committee members recommending funding.

After the first meeting in April when staff reviews the data with committee members, a question will be added to the online grant portal for committee members "What funding amount do you recommend for this project?" Committee members will be provided a spreadsheet for their own reference, but their funding recommendations will be entered online.

During last year's process, the committee agreed to fund those projects with 10 or 11 committee member recommendations for funding at the median amount for the initial scenario. Then, the committee considered partial funding for those with recommendations from 9 committee members.

Staff will present a starting funding scenario based on this process during the second meeting in April. The scenario is intended to be a starting point, and the committee has discretion to adjust funding recommendations.