

Partnering with Business Administration

Query – 01.26.2004

Query:	
<p>We have received a proposal addressing principals' needs in which the second partner is the Business Administration School. The partnership has interpreted that this is the other School which supports the project's topics in addition to the Education School. Could we consider this as a qualifying second partner within the ample concept of the Arts & Sciences School? Since economics is one of the core academic subjects established by NCLB, wouldn't a project on this subject have a school other than Arts & Sciences as the second partner, such as Business Administration? Thanks for your assistance.</p>	
From: Puerto Rico	
Responses:	
Georgia	I think that is in keeping with the spirit of the law -that is to involve content and pedagogy departments - other "Place holders" for Arts and Science could also exist e.g., Pharmacy, Forestry, Ecology....
Utah	<p>This is one of those examples when we need to go with the spirit of the law. You are trying to serve teachers so that they will better prepare students. Thus, if the partnership with the Business Administration School can provide services that are needed by the Title I schools, is an appropriate partner. There is a strong rationale for making the Business Administration School a partner: it will prove the economic education for practicing teachers.</p> <p>I have a project with someone from the Water Laboratory, the College of Education, and several Title I school districts. The Water Lab is not attached to a College of Arts and Science. However, teachers are being served in the areas of math and science.</p>
West Virginia	I have not experienced a proposal that included Business Administration as a partner. If I did, I believe I could interpret the Guidelines as allowing Business as the partner. The first step in to ensure that the project is addressing a core academic subject. The purpose of including Arts and Sciences is to ensure coverage and support for the content area. If Business Administration is the appropriate division for providing support in a core academic subject, I believe that it is meeting the intent of the law. This is only my opinion. The Guidelines do not speak to it, probably because it was not anticipated.
Washington	I think it's very appropriate to partner with the Business Administration School. I would partner with the College of Arts and Sciences too. When we have opportunities to bring different colleges/schools and faculty members together we should take advantage of those opportunities. The professional development will be richer.
Nebraska	I agree with Teddi and others that the spirit of the law is what should be considered. I have 2 examples of times when we didn't appear to have the appropriate partner. One is a Department of Entomology, housed in the College of Agriculture. Entomology is certainly a science even though it isn't housed in the College of Arts and Sciences. The other is a Department of Education that is housed in the College of Arts and Sciences. It doesn't appear that we have a college of education, but we do have the education department, along with another department from Arts and Sciences.
Wyoming	I also agree with the previous responses. If the project scope is economics as is

	<p>mentioned in the query, then a business administration school would be a perfect fit for partnership. I am working toward my MBA; the depth of knowledge I have gained in the area of economics, statistics, and math (as it relates to accounting), etc... could only have been attained through the expertise of business school professors.</p>
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