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| Jeffrey C. Riley  *Commissioner* |  |

**MEMORANDUM**

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| **To:** | Members of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education |
| **From:** | Jeffrey C. Riley, Commissioner |
| **Date:** | May 10, 2019 |
| **Subject:** | Grant Packages for the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education |

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| **Pursuant to the authority given to me by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education at its**  **October 21, 2008 meeting, I approved the following competitive grants.** | | | |
| **FUND**  **CODE** | **GRANT PROGRAM** | **NUMBER OF**  **PROPOSALS**  **APPROVED** | **AMOUNT** |
| 181 | Gateway Cities – Bilingual Education Programs for ELs – All Levels (Priority will be given to Secondary) | 2 | $250,000 |
| 216 | Teacher Diversification Pilot Program | 14 | $1,728,314 |
| 527-250 | Development and Expansion of High Quality Summer Learning | 51 | $615,213 |
| 644 | Massachusetts 21st Century Community Learning Centers – Summer Enhancement Grant | 21 | $575,895 |
| **TOTAL** |  | **88** | **$3,169,422** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:** | **Gateway Cities – Bilingual Education Programs for ELs – All Levels (Priority will be given to Secondary)** | | **FUND CODE:** 181 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:** | $250,000 State | | |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $250,000 | | |
| PURPOSE: Executive Summary The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (Department) has completed its solicitation for the Gateway Cities - Bilingual Education Programs for ELs - All Levels (Priority will be given to Secondary), a competitive grant program that was open to all Gateway districts in the Commonwealth. Bilingual education programs are programs that involve teaching academic content in two languages, English and another language. Program types determine the varying amounts of each language used in instruction. Bilingual education programs include dual language education or two-way immersion and transitional bilingual education programs, as defined in M.G.L. c. 71A, § 2, and any other bilingual program types that may be approved by the Department (603 CMR 7.02). The Language Opportunity for Our Kids (LOOK) Act creates a new opportunity for districts to consider the programmatic needs of English Learners (ELs). Under the LOOK Act, districts interested in opening new bilingual education programs may submit proposals to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) for review (603 CMR 14.04(4)).  Districts may consider the following bilingual education programs, as described in the LOOK Act:   * "Dual language education" or "2-way immersion" programs are designed to promote bilingualism and biliteracy, cross-cultural competency and high levels of academic achievement for both native English speakers and English learners from a single language background; provided, however, that students shall develop and maintain their first language while adding a second language and shall receive the same core curriculum as all students in the state; provided further, that the instruction for such students shall be provided in 2 languages throughout the program; and provided further, that "2-way immersion" programs may begin in the early grades, including pre-kindergarten and kindergarten, and may continue through the secondary level. * "Transitional bilingual education" programs are designed to allow English learners to achieve long-term academic success through English-medium instruction in general education classrooms; provided, however, that the native language of the English learner is used to support the student's development of English and content learning and is then gradually phased out of instruction as a student's English proficiency increases; and provided further, that "transitional bilingual education" may be initiated at any level, including middle and high school, but shall not be intended as a method of instruction for a student's entire academic career. * Other research-based bilingual education programs that include subject matter content and an English language acquisition component.   Here is the link to the RFP (grant code 181) for more details: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/grants/2019/181-2/>. | | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | | 2 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | | 2 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | | N/A | |

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| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** The Gateway Cities - Bilingual Education Programs for ELs - All Levels (Priority will be given to Secondary) is a competitive one-year grant, and it is not re-occurring. The Department received two proposals; two grants, one for $150,000 and one for $100,000 (total of $250,000) are recommended and the recipients are noted in the table below.  The proposed programs must be based on best practices in the field and the linguistic and educational needs and the demographic characteristics of English learners in the school district. Furthermore, a school district may join with other school districts to provide an English learner program. The intended outcomes of this competitive grant program are as follows:   1. Develop a proposal for a new alternative program and successfully complete DESE's review process; 2. Create (and cultivate) a variety of approaches to train, recruit and retain bilingual education program educators; and 3. Implement culturally responsive teaching practices that promote equity and social justice. | | | |
| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Fall River | $100,000 |
| Worcester | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$250,000** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:** | Teacher Diversification Pilot Program | | **FUND CODE:** 216 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:** | $1,728,314 (State) | | |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $3,192,448 | | |
| **PURPOSE:** The competitive Teacher Diversification Pilot Program is designed to support local school district efforts to strengthen and diversify existing teacher recruitment and retention programs. Through the use of state funds, participating pilot school districts will engage in thoughtful approaches intended to increase the number of effective and diverse teachers in their schools. | | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | | 14 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | | 14 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | | 0 | |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will provide $1,728,314 to fourteen (14) school districts to enhance and strengthen existing teacher recruitment and retention pipelines. As a result of funding, approximately two hundred (200) paraprofessionals with and without bachelor’s degrees, provisionally licensed teachers, and/or former district graduates and recent college graduates will receive financial assistance in the form of tuition assistance toward an approved educator preparation program, Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) examination preparation, and examination fee support. | | | |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Amherst-Pelham Regional School District | $24,810 |
| Boston Public Schools | $356,551 |
| Brockton Public Schools | $35,619 |
| Chelsea Public Schools | $282,786 |
| Haverhill Public Schools | $4,000 |
| Holyoke Public Schools | $340,980 |
| Lowell Public Schools | $174,552 |
| Malden Public Schools | $12,500 |
| Pittsfield Public Schools | $41,020 |
| Somerville Public Schools | $12,104 |
| Springfield Public Schools (Springfield Empowerment Zone Partnership) | $245,000 |
| Springfield Public Schools | $8,032 |
| Wayland Public Schools | $11,800 |
| Worcester Public Schools | $178,560 |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$1,728,314** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:** | Development & Expansion of High Quality Summer Learning | | **FUND CODE:** 527/250 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:** | $615,213 ($500,000 State / $115,213 Federal) | | |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $1,877,548 | | |
| **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this competitive grant is to support the development and expansion of high quality, comprehensive summer learning opportunities for students in districts with high concentrations of economically disadvantaged students. | | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | | 51 (64 sites) | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | | 19 (19 sites) | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | | 32 (45 sites) | |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** A total of 19 organizations will receive funds for 19 sites to support the development and expansion of high quality, comprehensive summer learning programs for approximately 2,200 students who are mostly classified as economically disadvantaged. | | | |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Berkshire Hills Regional School District (Monument Mountain Regional High School) | $43,620 |
| Boston Public Schools (YMCA Menino Summer Learning Academy) | $43,620 |
| Boys & Girls Club of Greater Holyoke, Inc. | $28,828 |
| Boys & Girls Club of Greater Salem (Collins Middle School) | $43,325 |
| Breakthrough Greater Boston (Somerville or Boston Campus) | $21,800 |
| Brockton Public Schools (JumpStart) | $21,800 |
| Buzzards Bay Coalition (Wareham Middle School) | $21,800 |
| Community Day Care of Lawrence (Tenney Grammar School, Methuen [for Timony and Tenney Grammar Schools]) | $43,620 |
| Fall River Public Schools (Morton Middle School) | $43,620 |
| For Kids Only (Revere Site) | $21,800 |
| Holyoke Public Schools (STEM Middle School) | $21,800 |
| Lowell Public Schools (Lincoln Elementary) | $43,620 |
| Massachusetts Afterschool Partnership (Edgar Hooks Elementary School, Chelsea) | $21,800 |
| New Bedford Public Schools (Keith Middle School) | $21,800 |
| Somerville Public Schools (Capuano Early Childhood Center) | $19,700 |
| Southbridge Public Schools (Elementary K-2 Summer Learning Lab Site) | $21,800 |
| Springfield Public Schools (Chestnut Academy – Esperanza) | $43,620 |
| Worcester Public Schools (East Middle School or North High School) | $43,620 |
| Worcester State Foundation (Latino Institute) (Southbridge Middle School) | $43,620 |
| **TOTAL FUNDS (STATE $500,000 / FEDERAL $115,213)** | **$615,213** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:** | Massachusetts 21st Century Community Learning Centers – Summer Enhancement Grant | | **FUND CODE:** 644 | |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:** | $575,895 (Federal) | | | |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $655,895 | | | |
| **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this federally-funded competitive Massachusetts 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Summer Enhancement Grant is to stem summer learning loss by expanding innovative summer learning programs that address both the academic and developmental needs of students. | | | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | | 21 Applicants (34 sites) | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | | 19 Applicants (30 sites) | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | | 2 Applicants (4 sites) (Please note one applicant was awarded funding for 1 of 3 sites) | | |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** Grant recipients will provide students with at least 120 hours of summer programming that will engage students through project-based learning (PBL) and other academically enriching opportunities. In addition, funds will support training, planning and professional development for adults to make better use of time with students and maximize student outcomes. These programs will also engage with various community partners to support students’ learning, and social/emotional and physical development. Approximately 3,000 students will benefit from programs and services supported through this funding. Grant awards for each funded site ranges from $16,150-$20,000. | | | | |
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| **RECIPIENTS/SITES** | | | | **AMOUNTS** | |
| Barnstable Public Schools (Hyannis West Elementary) | | | | $20,000 | |
| Berkshire Hills Regional School District (Muddybrook Elementary/Monument Valley Middle School) | | | | $40,000 | |
| Boston Public Schools (Edison Elementary/Gardener Pilot Academy) | | | | $40,000 | |
| Collaborative for Educational Services (Amherst Middle School/Coburn Elementary W. Springfield) | | | | $40,000 | |
| Community Group Lawrence (Community Day Arlington School/Wetherbee Elementary) | | | | $34,000 | |
| Fall River Public Schools (Durfee High School/Greene Elementary) | | | | $40,000 | |
| For Kids Only Afterschool (Welch Elementary School/Center Elementary School/Peabody) | | | | $32,700 | |
| Gloucester Public Schools (O’Maley Innovation Middle School) | | | | $16,150 | |
| Holyoke Public Schools (STEM Middle School) | | | | $20,000 | |
| Lowell Public Schools (Morey/Lincoln/McAuliffe Elementary/Shaughnessy Middle School) | | | | $80,000 | |
| New Bedford Public Schools (Gomes Elementary) | | | | $20,000 | |
| North Adams Public Schools (Brayton Elementary) | | | | $20,000 | |
| North Brookfield Youth Center | | | | $20,000 | |
| Quaboag Regional School District (Warren Elementary) | | | | $20,000 | |
| Salem Public School (Bates Elementary/Collins Middle School) | | | | $40,000 | |
| Southbridge Public School (West St. Elementary) | | | | $20,000 | |
| Wareham Public Schools (Middle School/High School) | | | | $40,000 | |
| Webster Public School (Park Avenue School) | | | | $15,300 | |
| Winthrop Public Schools (Cummings Elementary) | | | | $17,745 | |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | | | | **$575,895** | |