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***Elementary and Secondary Education***

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# MEMORANDUM

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| **To:** | Members of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education |
| **From:**  | Jeffrey C. Riley, Commissioner |
| **Date:**  | January 11, 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** |
| 156 | Innovation Schools Planning-Enhancement Grant | 9 | $200,000 |
| 574 | Massachusetts Early Literacy Intervention Program-Reading Recovery | 6 | $300,000 |
| **TOTAL**  | **15** | **$500,000** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM**: | Innovation Schools Planning-Enhancement Grant | **FUND CODE**: 156 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED**: | $200,000 (State) |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED**: | $222,555 |
| **PURPOSE**: The purpose of this one-time state funded Innovation Schools Planning-Enhancement Grant is to support the planning process needed to develop and establish new and conversion innovation schools by September 2019 or provide district and school support for the enhanced implementation of the autonomies and flexibilities identified in approved innovation plans in academic year 2018-2019. |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED**: 10 (2 planning and 8 enhancement) |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED**: 9 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED**:  |  1 |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING**: Planning grant funds will support stipends to educators to engage in the innovation schools planning process. Enhancement grant funds will support professional development, contractual services, and curriculum updates in eight school districts.  |
| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Barnstable Public Schools: Proposed school name: Barnstable Community Innovation School | $10,000 |
| Boston Public Schools: Margarita Muniz Academy | $30,000 |
| Fitchburg Public Schools: McKay Arts Academy | $15,000 |
| Leominster Public Schools: Leominster Center for Excellence | $20,298 |
| Lowell Public Schools: The Career Academy  | $19,200 |
| Orange Public Schools: Dexter Park Innovation School | $30,000 |
| Quaboag Regional School District: Quaboag Regional Middle Innovation School | $29,740 |
| Revere Public Schools: Paul Revere Innovation School | $15,762 |
| Springfield Public Schools: The Springfield Renaissance School | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$200,000** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM**:  | Massachusetts Early Literacy Intervention Program - Reading Recovery | **FUND CODE:** 574 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED**: | $300,000 (State) |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED**: | $300,557 |
| **PURPOSE**: This state-funded competitive grant program provides funds to support ongoing professional development for Reading Recovery, an early literacy tutorial program, designed as a short-term intervention program for children struggling with reading in first grade. |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED**: | 6 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED**: | 6 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED**: | 0 |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING**: Research demonstrates that the majority of students can learn to read and write through effective classroom instruction. Some students need short-term individualized intervention in order to do so. This grant will support the training of new and established teachers of Reading Recovery, a research-based intervention for early literacy in first grade. Funds are awarded to districts with a Reading Recovery program, as well as Educational Collaboratives that support a Reading Recovery regional training site, to support ongoing professional development in early literacy intervention for implementing teachers; initial intensive training for new Reading Recovery teachers; and ongoing documentation and evaluation of results for students involved in Reading Recovery. |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Boston Public Schools | $53,571 |
| Cambridge Public Schools | $46,436 |
| Collaborative for Educational Services | $71,428 |
| Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District | $76,785 |
| Haverhill Public Schools | $20,871 |
| Springfield Public Schools | $30,909 |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$300,000** |