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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:** | November 8, 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** |
| 335 | Safe and Supportive Schools Competitive Grant | 12 | $93,500 |
| 406-412 | Career and Technical Education Partnership Implementation Grant | 6 | $548,982 |
| **TOTAL** |  | **18** | **$642,482** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:** | Safe and Supportive Schools Competitive Grant | | **FUND CODE:** 335 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:** | $93,500 (State) | | |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $466,840 | | |
| **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Safe and Supportive Schools Grant is to support schools and districts in creating a safe, positive, healthy and inclusive whole-school learning environment and make effective use of a system for integrating services and aligning initiatives that promotes students' behavioral health.  Each applicant was eligible to apply for one of following options:   * **Option 1**: Schools and districts convene a school team to respond to all questions in the [Safe and Supportive Schools Self-Reflection Tool](http://bhps321.org/). Teams then create action plans to identify priority areas as they relate to the six areas in the Tool which include: Leadership, Infrastructure, and Culture; Professional Learning Opportunities; Access to Resources and Services; Teaching and Learning that Fosters Safe and Supportive Environments; School Policies, Procedures, and Protocols; and Family Engagement. * **Option 2:** Schools implement action plans, and provide support to others. School and district teams previously completed the Tool and developed these action plans to identify priority areas as they relate to their analysis of the Tool results. Grantees will also provide support to and mentorship for new tool users, other new Tool users, schools and districts that are new to implementation, as well as the Department, Commission and others as needed and appropriate.   Funds are provided pursuant to line-item 7061-9612 of the FY20 state budget. | | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | | 38 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | | 12 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | | 26 | |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** A total of 12 school districts and their selected schools will receive funds through the two options described above to create safe, supportive, and welcoming school environments. **Option 1 – Action Planning:** A total of seven (7) districts and their selected schools will receive funds to support the convening of school and district based teams to utilize the Self-Reflection tool and create school and district based action plans. **Option 2 – School Based Implementation and Mentorship/Support:** Five (5) districts and their selected schools *(indicated in the list below with an asterisk)* will receive funds to support the implementation of school and district action plans. District and school personnel will also serve in a variety of capacities as mentors and support for Option 1 grantees and others. | | | |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Arlington Public Schools\* | $7,500 |
| Berkshire Arts and Technology Charter Public School\* | $7,500 |
| Chelsea Public Schools\* | $7,500 |
| Concord Carlisle Regional High School | $8,000 |
| Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School | $8,000 |
| Gill-Montague Regional School District\* | $7,500 |
| Libertas Academy Charter School | $8,000 |
| Monson Public Schools | $8,000 |
| North River Collaborative | $8,000 |
| Quabbin Regional School District | $8,000 |
| Quaboag Regional School District\* | $7,500 |
| Swampscott Public Schools | $8,000 |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$93,500** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:** | Career and Technical Education Partnership Implementation Grant | | **FUND CODE:** 406/412 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:** | $800,000 (Federal); $500,000 (State) | | |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $548,982 | | |
| **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this federally funded competitive Career and Technical Education (CTE) Partnership Implementation Grant (Phase 2) is to support regional and local partnerships to expand existing and/or develop new CTE programs and initiatives that increase student access to CTE opportunities, primarily through more effective use and integration of existing capacity and resources. Eligible students include secondary and other students served under the [Strengthening Career and Technical Education in the 21st Century Act](https://cte.careertech.org/sites/default/files/PerkinsV_September2018.pdf). Services provided are to supplement currently funded local, state, and federal programs. | | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | | 6 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | | 6 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | | 0 | |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** Six (6) school districts will receive funding to develop, with identified partners, new CTE initiatives that increase student access to CTE opportunities, primarily through more effective use and integration of existing capacity and resources.  Of the six projects awarded funding, five involve Gateway Cities, four increase access to Chapter 74-quality programming, and all six utilize vocational-technical instructional and shop space during under-utilized hours. | | | |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| **State Funds Fund Code 412** |  |
| Boston Public Schools | $50,000 |
| Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District | $100,000 |
| Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical School District | $100,000 |
| Greater Lowell Regional Vocational Technical School District | $50,000 |
| Lynn Public Schools | $100,000 |
| Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical School District | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$500,000** |
| **Federal Funds Fund Code 406** |  |
| Greater Lowell Regional Vocational Technical School District | $48,982 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | **$48,982** |
| **TOTAL STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS** | **$548,982** |