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***Elementary and Secondary Education***

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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 7, 2022 |
| **Subject:** | Grant Packages for the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (November) |

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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** |
| 661/671/ 359 | MassSTEP ABE and MassSTEP ESOL | 7 | $707,242 |
| 725 | Massachusetts Lead for Literacy Institute Grant | 15 | $111,180 |
| **TOTAL** |  | **22** | **$818,422** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:** | MassSTEP ABE and MassSTEP ESOL | | **FUND CODES:** 661/671/359 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:** | $1,000,000 (Federal FC 671 and FC 359 and State FC 661) | | |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $707,242 | | |
| **PURPOSE:** MassSTEP ABE provides adult education (AE) concurrently and contextually with workforce preparation activities and workforce training to accelerate learning outcomes, including student attainment of a high school credential and one or more relevant industry-recognized credentials (IRCs). MassSTEP ESOL provides ESOL instruction concurrently and contextually with civics education in addition to workforce preparation activities and workforce training to accelerate learning outcomes, including student attainment of one or more relevant IRCs for occupations. | | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | | 7 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | | 7 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | | 0 | |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:**   * 3 culinary arts programs, 2 health assisting programs, 1 medical assisting program, and 1 CDL program. * 4 of the programs are partnerships with vocational schools: Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School, Madison Park Technical Vocational High School, McCann Technical School, and Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School. * The first MassSTEP Program in the Berkshire local workforce area. | | | |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Boston Public Schools | $104,568 |
| Center for New Americans | $60,000 |
| North Adams Public Schools | $60,000 |
| Notre Dame Education Center – Lawrence | $106,479 |
| North Shore Community Action Projects, Inc. | $76,195 |
| Valley Opportunity Council | $150,000 |
| YMCA of Greater Boston | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | **$707,242** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:** | **Massachusetts Lead for Literacy Institute Grant** | | **FUND CODE:** 725 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:** | $111,180 (State) | | |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $150,440 | | |
| **PURPOSE:** DESE seeks to award this opportunity to LEAs that agree to create and put in place a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) aligned literacy plan to manage all the pieces of the school's K–5 literacy program, making clear what needs to be done, when it needs to be done, what resources need to be (re)allocated, and why. | | | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | | 20 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | | 15 | |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | | 5 | |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** The Massachusetts Lead for Literacy Institute Grant will support educators and administrators to create a literacy plan aligned with the [multi-tiered system of support model](https://www.doe.mass.edu/massliteracy/leading-mtss/default.html) (MTSS) for grades K–5. Through this collaborative Network, districts will create K–5 literacy plans that include instructional leadership responsibilities, literacy priorities and goals, [evidence-based instruction and intervention](https://www.doe.mass.edu/massliteracy/), assessment, and professional learning. | | | |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Avon | $7,500 |
| Belchertown | 7,500 |
| Gill-Montague Regional School District | 7,500 |
| Hadley | 7,680 |
| Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District | 7,500 |
| Lowell Community Charter | 7,500 |
| Marion | 7,500 |
| Mattapoisett | 7,500 |
| Mt. Greylock Regional School District | 7,500 |
| Petersham | 6,000 |
| Plainville | 7,500 |
| Rochester | 7,500 |
| Rockport | 7,500 |
| South Shore Charter | 7,500 |
| Ware | 7,500 |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$111,180** |