# MEMORANDUM

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| **To:** | Members of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education |
| **From:**  | Russell D. Johnston, Acting Commissioner |
| **Date:**  | January 21, 2025  |
| **Subject:** | Grant Packages for the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (December) |

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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** |
| 0199 | Interpreter in Education Setting Training Grant Round 2 | 10 | $152,190  |
| 0461-2 | Early College Planning Grant | 32 | $2,215,815 |
| **TOTAL** |  | **42** | **$2,368,005** |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:**  | Interpreter in Education Setting Training Grant Round 2 | **FUND CODE:** 0199 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:**  | $ 152,190 (State) |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $ 372,280 |
| **PURPOSE**: To pay training fees for DESE-approved interpreter in the education setting courses; provide stipends for individuals who complete the training; provide stipends for potential instructors to become Approved Providers |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:**  | 13 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:**  | 10 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:**  | 3 |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** Ten applicants will receive all or part of the funding they requested to train individuals as interpreters in the education setting.The three applicants that were not funded demonstrated the least need given limited grant funds. |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Assabet Valley Collaborative | $10,500 |
| Chicopee | $20,000 |
| Everett | $25,140 |
| Lawrence Family Development Charter | $9,550 |
| Lowell | $35,000 |
| Medford | $5,000 |
| Milford | $14,000 |
| Shore Educational Collaborative | $13,000 |
| Sturgis Charter | $5,000 |
| West Springfield | $15,000 |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$152,190**  |

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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:**  | Early College Planning Grant | **FUND CODE:** 0461-2 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:**  | $2,215,815 (State) |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $2,793,222 |
| **PURPOSE:** The FY25 competitive Early College Planning Grant supports partnerships between secondary schools and institutions of higher education (IHE) to advance the MA Early College Designation. The MA Early College Designation intentionally prioritizes underrepresented students in higher education as an effective strategy for addressing equity gaps in postsecondary education. |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:**  | 42 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:**  | 32 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | 10 |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** These resources are intended to support both the K–12 secondary school partner and the IHE partner in their planning and design of an Early College program. Three funding options were available, as listed below. |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| **Option A: Planning Grants**  |  |
| Argosy Collegiate Charter School, Fall River | $93,528 |
| Billerica | $100,000 |
| Brockton | $100,000 |
| CityLab STEM HS, Revere | $100,000 |
| David Prouty HS, Spencer | $40,400 |
| Dracut | $68,908 |
| Durfee | $100,000 |
| Edward J. Kennedy Academy HMCS, Boston | $100,000 |
| Greater Lowell Tech HS | $100,000 |
| Margarita Muniz Academy, Boston | $100,000 |
| Martha's Vineyard Regional HS | $50,000 |
| Methuen HS | $90,789 |
| New Bedford HS | $50,000 |
| Pittsfield HS | $50,000 |
| Putnam HS (Springfield) | $51,711 |
| Shawsheen Valley Tech | $50,000 |
| Taconic Voc. HS, Pittsfield | $50,000 |
| Taunton | $94,068 |
| TechBoston Academy | $100,000 |
| Woburn HS | $69,448 |
| **Option A Total**  | **$1,558,852** |
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| **Option B: Pre- Planning Grants** |  |
| Albert D Holland School of Technology, Boston | $50,000 |
| Bourne HS | $50,000 |
| Chelmsford High School Partnership | $26,300 |
| Early College ML, Boston | $50,000 |
| Granby, Easthampton & Hardley | $51,445 |
| High School of Science and Tech (Springfield) | $51,514 |
| Mansfield HS | $50,000 |
| Oliver Ames High School, Easton | $50,000 |
| Putnam Voc. Tech HS, Springfield | $26,262 |
| Springfield Renaissance School | $51,442 |
| Wachusett Regional HS | $50,000 |
| **Option B Total** | **$560,963** |
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| **Option C: Pre- Planning Full School Grantee** |  |
| Randolph HS | $150,000 |
| **Option C Total** | **$150,000** |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | **$2,215,815** |