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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:**  | From Research to Practice: Evidence-Based Early Literacy | **FUND CODE:** 734a |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:**  | $710,207 (State) |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $1,127,135  |
| **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the competitive Early Grades Literacy Grant, From Research to Practice: Evidence-Based Early Literacy is to increase teacher knowledge to implement evidence-based, inclusive, culturally responsive practices in early literacy through professional learning on evidence-based, inclusive, culturally responsive early literacy with a focus on the [Mass Literacy Guide](https://www.doe.mass.edu/massliteracy/), and [Culturally Responsive Teaching & Leading](https://www.doe.mass.edu/instruction/culturally-responsive/).Schools participating in the Early Grades Literacy grant will select a core grant team of up to 6 individuals. This team will attend two full-day professional development institutes (October 2022 and January 2023) and a Showcase meeting (June 2023). In addition, the school-based literacy consultant will facilitate six, 90-minute after-school meetings for the grant team and up to 32 additional educators who opt to participate. All participating educators receive a stipend. |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:** | 30 schools/19 districts |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:** | 17 schools/11districts |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | 13 schools/8 districts |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** This grant program will support 11 districts/17 schools in focused, intensive work in evidence-based, inclusive, culturally responsive early literacy instruction to improve student reading in grades K–3. The designated team of teachers and one school-based administrator (principal or assistant principal), representing grades K–3, will participate in a year-long series of professional learning from experts in early literacy to **learn and implement culturally responsive, evidence-based instructional practices and assessments and data-based decision-making during the 2022/2023 school year.** |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Amesbury | $82,900 |
| Blackstone-Millville  | $48,110 |
| Codman Academy | $40,200 |
| Fitchburg | $47,600 |
| Granby | $44,906 |
| Hampden-Wilbraham | $136,875 |
| Malden | $99,850 |
| Narragansett Regional | $46,840 |
| Norwood | $54,850 |
| West Bridgewater | $54,326 |
| West Springfield | $53,750 |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | **$710,207** |