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| **NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:**  | Early College Planning Grant | **FUND CODE:** 461-2 |
| **FUNDS ALLOCATED:**  | $ 2,000,000 (State) |
| **FUNDS REQUESTED:** | $ 510,475 |
| **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this competitive grant is to provide planning resources for Early College applicants to the Massachusetts Early College Designation. Early College provides a framework and criteria to rethink high school, college, and the pathway through both, facilitating college access and success. The MA Early College Designation intentionally prioritizes programs for underrepresented students in higher education as an effective strategy for addressing equity gaps in postsecondary education. |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED:**  | 10 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED:**  | 10 |
| **NUMBER OF PROPOSALS NOT RECOMMENDED:** | 0 |
| **RESULT OF FUNDING:** We anticipated that 14 applicants would apply for both Options B and C and would be eligible to receive funding.  Ten applicants for this grant, encompassing 9 high schools and 1 Institution of higher education (IHE) applied for this grant. All 10 grantees will be awarded grants totaling $510,475**.** These resources are intended to support both the secondary school partner and institution of higher education (IHE) partner in the planning and design of an Early College program designed to align with the requirements of the MA Early College Designation. |

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| **RECIPIENTS** | **AMOUNTS** |
| Beverly Public Schools | $12,975 |
| Boston Public Schools | $225,000 |
| Greater Lawrence Tech | $50,000 |
| Hudson Public Schools | $22,500 |
| Quincy College | $50,000 |
| Springfield Empowerment Zone | $50,000 |
| Wachusett Public Schools | $50,000 |
| Ware Public Schools  | $50,000 |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $510,475 |