

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Hillary Austin, Superintendent of Schools
FROM: Meachele Manchester, Grant Writing Supervisor
DATE: August 2, 2016
RE: Communication to the Board of Education

Pertinent Information

The Elmira City School District has been awarded \$350,000 in Year 1 of the New York State Department of Education's 2016-2021 Extended School Day/School Violence Prevention Program. Specifically, grant funds will support

- 1.0 FTE Project Coordinator;
- Tutoring Stipends;
- Enrichment Facilitator Stipends;
- Computer Lab Aide Stipends;
- Travel costs for Student transportation to and from program activities; mileage and lodging expense for a required annual conference and statewide professional development meeting; and mileage reimbursement for the Project Coordinator;
- Contractual Services with the R/E/D Group, Inc. to provide independent evaluation of the program;
- Contractual Services with Elmira College (EC) to provide project-based learning activities and recruitment of Activity Facilitators (EC Students);
- Contractual Services with GST BOCES Career Development Council to provide coordination of enrichment activities and college/career exploration opportunities;
- Contractual Services with enrichment vendors; and
- Contractual Services with GST BOCES for adventure-based learning programming.

Evaluation/Analysis

Grant funds will be used to support after school and summer programming that provides academic support and enrichment activities for students identified at risk of failure. Additionally, grant funds will be utilized to provide college and career exploration opportunities to program participants. Program partners consist of the Elmira Heights Central School District, Elmira College, and GST BOCES Career Development Council. Program sites will be located at Broadway Academy and Ernie Davis Academy in the Elmira CSD and at Cohen Middle School and Thomas A. Edison High School in the Elmira Heights CSD.

Recommendation

The Board of Education accept the grant from the New York State Department of Education's 2016-2021 Extended School Day/School Violence Prevention Program for \$350,000 in Year 1 of the program; approve the use of the funds to make purchases as indicated; and authorize the Superintendent and President to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this resolution.