


MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairperson and Members
Boston School Committee

FROM: Nathan Kuder 
Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: Grants for Approval

DATE: February 20, 2020

Attached please find the grants for approval by the School Committee on February 26, 2020. Full copies of the grant proposals are available for your review and have been filed with the Office of the Secretary to the School Committee.

Boston Public Schools

Dr. Brenda Cassellius, Superintendent

Boston School Committee

Michael Loconto, Chair

City of Boston

Martin J. Walsh, Mayor



GRANTS FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVAL
February 26, 2020

Amount	FY	Grant Name	Status	Fund Manager	Focus Area(s)	Sites
\$416,964.00	2020	Volkswagen Settlement	New	Edward Pesce	Transportation	Districtwide
\$50,000.00	2020	Summer Food Service Program: (SFSP EATS)	New	Eric Stevens	Food and Nutrition Services	Districtwide
\$466,964.00	Total					

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPTANCE FORM

Grant Name: Volkswagen Settlement
Status: New
Grant Type: Competitive Start & End Dates: TBD 18 Months from the execution of the contract
Funding Source: State
Grantor Contact: Haidee Janak
One Winter Street 6th Floor Boston, MA 02108
haidee.janak@state.ma.us

Lead BPS Department and/or School(s): Department of Transportation
BPS Fund Manager: Edward Pesce Assistant Director of Transportation – Finance
Department Head/School Leader: Delavern Stanislaus Director of Transportation
Annual Award Amount: \$416,963.53
Total Award Amount (if grant period more than a year): \$
Carry-forward option: No Approximate # of students (or teachers, central office staff) served: 25,000
Sites: Districtwide
Key External Partners: Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection

Grant Description

The VW Open Solicitation is one of several Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) open grant programs aimed at reducing nitrogen oxide (NOx) and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, while driving technological and policy innovation across Massachusetts. Grant funding of \$7.5 million is available for eligible projects.

Expense Categories this Grant Pays For

100% of this award will go to support the purchase of six propane powered buses which will replace older dirty diesel buses.

Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time-bound (SMART) Goals

Goal #1: Reducing nitrogen oxide (NOx) and greenhouse gas emission.

Indicator: Decrease in emissions year over year.

Reduce gallons of diesel fuel by 1,497

Reduce NOx by .1459 short tons or 79%

Reduce CO2 by .0447 short tons or 55%

Goal #2: Reducing the number of diesel buses in the fleet.

Indicator: Decreasing the percentage of the fleet that is diesel.

Reduce the fleet from 54% diesel to 40% diesel (this is our goal for the overall fleet next year. This includes the 6 buses that this grant will help fund, but also the rest of our bus purchase that will be funded out of the general fund.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPTANCE FORM

Grant Name: Summer Food Service Program: Expansion, Access, Training and Start-Up (SFSP EATS)
Grant for New and Existing Sponsors

Status: New

Grant Type: Competitive

Start & End Dates: Award date – June 30, 2020

Funding Source: State

Grantor Contact: Kristen Torres

75 Pleasant St, Malden, MA 02148

Phone: (781)-338-6453

Email: ktorres@doe.mass.edu

Lead BPS Department and/or School(s): Department of Food and Nutrition Services

BPS Fund Manager: Eric Stevens, Director of Finance and Business Development,
estevens2@bostonpublicschools.org

Department Head/School Leader: Laura Benavidez, Executive Director of Food and Nutrition,
lbenavidez@bostonpublicschools.org

Annual Award Amount: Applying for \$50,000

Total Award Amount (if grant period more than a year): N/a

Carry-forward option: No

Approximate # of students (or teachers, central office staff) served: 390,000 anticipated meals served. All children 18 and younger are eligible.

Sites: Districtwide

Key External Partners: Project Bread, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Boston Center for Youth and Families, Boston Housing Authority, MA Dept. of Conservation and Recreation, Independent church groups and youth serving organizations, Mayor's Office of Food Access.

Grant Description

The purpose of this state-funded grant is to encourage new and existing Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) sponsors to increase participation in the program by serving more children per day, extend the length of the SFSP, and create new sites. The creation of new sites will increase program availability to participants not currently receiving program services.

Expense Categories this Grant Pays For

~90% will go to supplies and materials

~10% will go towards marketing and advertising

Subject to change based on award amount and finalized pricing from vendors

This grant will fund the purchase of refrigeration equipment which will allow sites who don't have the capacity to store meals at proper temperature to be able to do so, ultimately increasing the number of children and programs we can serve. This grant will also fund advertisements in the Bulletin Newspaper

which will market Boston's summer meals program as well as providing information on serving sites, date, and mealtimes.

Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time-bound (SMART) Goals

Please detail up to 3 SMART Goals and Indicators for this grant. Each Goal should capture a student-focused, quantifiable outcome of the grant. Each Indicator should describe the tool you will use to measure progress towards the Goal.

Goal #1: Total meals served in the summer meals program to increase by 5% which would be approximately 14,100 more meals served from SFSP SY19. All children 0-18 years old are eligible to receive breakfast and lunch at summer meal sites. In SFSP SY19 there were approximately 127 meal sites.

Indicator: Total number of meals claimed in the summer meals program.