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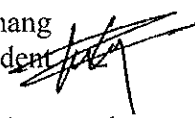
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairperson and Members
Boston School Committee

FROM: Tommy Chang
Superintendent 

SUBJECT: Grants for Approval

DATE: June 15, 2018

Attached please find the grants that will be put forth for School Committee approval on June 20, 2018. Should you wish to review the proposals in more detail, the complete grant proposals have been filed with the Office of the Secretary to the School Committee.

If you have any questions, staff is available to respond.

Attachment

cc: Inez Foster, Assistant Director, Resource Development Mayor's Office of Intergovernmental Relations

Boston Public Schools
Tommy Chang, Superintendent

Boston School Committee
Michael D. O'Neill, Chair

City of Boston
Martin J. Walsh, Mayor



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TO: Tommy Chang
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FROM: Eleanor Laurans
Chief Financial Officer

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPTANCE FORM

Grant Name: Eos Foundation's Nourishing Kids Initiative (NKI)

Status: New

Grant Type: Entitlement

Start & End Dates: September 2017 – June 30, 2018

Funding Source: Private Donation

Grantor Contact: Andrea Silbert
Eos Foundation
89 South Street, Suite 803
Boston, MA 02111
Phone: 508-430-8130
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Lead BPS Department and/or School(s): Food and Nutrition Services

BPS Fund Manager: Vadim Vronsky, Director of Finance, FNS

Department Head/School Leader: Laura Benavidez, Executive Director of Food and Nutrition Services

Annual Award Amount: \$10,000

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: 525

Sites: Trotter Innovation School

Key External Partners: N/A

Grant Description

The Trotter Innovation School Principal Sarita Thomas pursued implementing Breakfast in the Classroom (BIC) after the bell in all classrooms. During her grade level team meetings with faculty and staff before summer break, Principal Thomas solicited team input for focus during her first year in this role. The staff overwhelmingly asked to bring back their peaceful school curriculum and calm start for the day at breakfast time. This grant covers the implementation cost of rolling out the program to all grades at the Trotter plus funds for school incentives.

The Trotter School has decided to focus on bringing back a safe and peaceful school curriculum, using BIC as one of the tools to ensure that all students have access to a nutritious breakfast. This will solve the problem of a child begin hungry until lunch time.

Expense Categories this Grant Pays For.

~90% of the grant will be allocated to purchase equipment for the Trotter to implement the program (classroom bags, vacuum cleaners, trash bins, etc.)

~10% of the grant will be used to provide school incentives that they may market the program to parents and school at their discretion.

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

Goal #1: Participation Data on School Breakfast Program participation rates by utilizing daily data obtained regarding meals claimed for reimbursement

Indicator: Reach 80% of daily breakfast participation at the Trotter

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPTANCE FORM

Grant Name: USDA's Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program

Status: New

Grant Type: Competitive

Start & End Dates: August 1, 2018 – June 29, 2019

Funding Source: Federal through State

Grantor Contact: Sally Teixeira
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Lead BPS Department and/or School(s): BPS Food & Nutrition Services Department

BPS Fund Manager: Vadim Vronsky, Director of Finance

Department Head/School Leader: Laura Benavidez, Executive Director

Annual Award Amount: \$1,794,000.00

Total Award Amount (if grant period more than a year): \$1,794,000.00

Carry-forward option: No

Approximate # of students (or teachers, central office staff) served: 23,920 students

Sites: Adams, Samuel Elementary, Baldwin Early Learning Pilot, Beethoven, Ludwig van Elementary, Blackstone Elementary, Boston Teachers Union, Clap Elementary, Condon, James F. Elementary, Conley, George F. Elementary, Curley K-8, Dever Elementary, Edison, K-8, Eliot, John K-8 Lower (Charter St. grades K1-2), Ellison/Parks Early Education School, Gardner Pilot Academy, Grew Elementary, Guild Elementary, Hale Elementary, Haley K-8, Harvard-Kent Elementary, Haynes Early Education Center, Hennigan Elementary/West Zone ELC, Hernandez K-8, Jackson Mann K-8/Horace Mann School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, John F. Kennedy Elementary, King K-8, Lee. Joseph Elementary, Mather Elementary, Mckay K-8, McKinley Elementary, Murphy K-8, O'Donnell Elementary, Orchard Gardens K-8, Otis Elementary, Perkins Elementary, Perry K-8, Philbrick Elementary, PJ Kennedy, Quincy Elementary, Russell Elementary, Sarah Greenwood K-8, Shaw, Pauline A. Elementary, Sumner Elementary, Trotter Elementary, Winship Elementary, Winthrop Elementary, Bradley Elementary School, Taylor Elementary, Eliot K-8 Upper (Salem St Grades 3-8), Lee Academy (Fifield EEC), Umana, Mario Academy, Mozart Elementary School, UP Academy Holland (in Dorchester), Ohrenberger School

Key External Partners: N/A

Grant Description

The Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) is a federally assisted program providing free fresh fruits and vegetables to children at eligible elementary schools during the school day. The goal of the FFVP is to introduce children to fresh fruits and vegetables, to include new and different varieties, and to increase overall acceptance and consumption of fresh, unprocessed produce among children. The FFVP also encourages healthier school environments by promoting nutrition education.

Expense Categories this Grant Pays For

~Total budgets for each school will be determined by DESE based on enrollment (rate per student determines total budget – rate per student approx. \$50-75).

~Maximum of 10% can be used towards administrative costs (includes, Program Manager, a portion of on-site coordinator stipends, and large equipment)

~No less than 90% can be used on operational costs (includes, produce, low-fat dips, supplies, and a portion of the on-site coordinator stipends).

~Majority of operations funds will be spent on fresh produce.

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

Goal #1: In SY18, the FFVP reached 48 schools and approximately 21,000 students. In SY19, the FFVP aims to expand the program further to reach an additional 5 schools and 1,000 students.

Indicator: FFVP will report the average number of students served each week to FNS.

Goal #2: FNS aims to serve a large variety of fresh fruits and vegetables to students through the FFVP, especially varieties that are not regularly available during the school lunch and breakfast program. In SY19, FFVP aims to expose students to at least 20 different fresh fruits and vegetables (cara cara oranges, rutabaga, mango), outside of the usual school lunch and breakfast options (carrots, apples, bananas).

Indicator: FNS will track and report the different varieties of fruits and vegetables served through FFVP.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPTANCE FORM –

Grant Name: National School Lunch Program
Status: New
Grant Type: Entitlement
Start & End Dates: July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019
Funding Source: Federal through State
Grantor Contact: Robert M. Leshin
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Lead BPS Department and/or School(s): Food and Nutrition Services

BPS Fund Manager: Vadim Vronsky, FNS Director of Finance

Department Head/School Leader: Laura Benavidez, Executive Director

Annual Award Amount: \$ 36,000,000

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: 57,000

Sites: Districtwide

Key External Partners: Boston School Food Advisory Council, City of Boston Food Access Council, EOS Foundation, Project Bread, Boys & Girls Club, Greater Boston Food Bank, New England Dairy & Food Council, Shah Family Foundation, UMASS Dining

Grant Description

The Boston Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services served 11,600,000 meals to students at 125 feeding sites through three primary programs during the school year: a) Breakfast through the School Breakfast Program; b) Lunch through the National School Lunch Program; c) After School Meals (Child and Adult Care Food Program – CACFP) at school and youth-serving program locations. The revenue reimbursement for these programs are managed in this grant.

Expense Categories this Grant Pays For

~51% will be used for Food Costs

~42% will be used for Staff Salaries and Benefit Expenses

~7% will be used to cover all other program expenses (e.g. Equipment purchases and repair, technology, contracted services, indirect charges)

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

Goal #1: To maintain and or increase meal participation rate (breakfast, lunch, after school) and decrease waste, by serving students nutritious, tasty, appealing meals that meet regulatory standards by a well-trained, qualified staff, with menus well aligned at satellite and cafeteria schools.

Indicator: Monthly tracking of meal participation as compared to SY18/19 and to take corrective action where downward trends are noted.

Goal #2: Operate in a fiscally responsible, self-sustaining manner supported by revenue from Federal/State reimbursable grants. This includes maximizing the use of commodities used, implementation of practices to reduce food costs, and improve cash flow by reducing the amount of time between month-end and the submission of the claim for reimbursement.

Indicator: Costs of meals per plate, monthly P&L calculation, and filing records.

Goal #3: Implement a state of the art Enterprise Application to support Food and Nutrition Services point-of-sale and back-of-the-house transactions.

Indicator: Improved accountability over reimbursable meals due to less errors by staff and ability to submit reimbursement claims in a more timely.