

MEMORANDUM

TO: School Committee

FROM: Deborah Lang Froggatt, Ph.D.

CC: Superintendent Brenda Cassellius
Chief of Staff Mary Dillman
Senior Advisor Megan Costello

DATE: 9/14/2021

RE: Boston Public Services Library Services Strategic Plan 2022-2026

Boston Public Schools Library Services Strategic Plan 2022-2026 is a five-year plan that serves as a beacon for planning and facilitating equitable access to effective school library programs for the district. The anchor goals directly align with the Boston Public Schools 2020-2025 Strategic Plan. This plan serves a guidepost for the BPS Library Services in order to strive for equitable access to school libraries and library resources. This plan also addresses how Boston will use an influx of federal funds through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) to support our district's libraries and librarians.

Currently, we are in the last year of the BPS Library Services 17-12 plan, which was approved by the BPS School Committee on September 21, 2016.

The 22-26 plan includes:

- An Executive Summary
- BPS Library Services Vision, Mission and Theory of Action Statements
- BPS Library Services Staffing and History
- Current Program Narrative
- Key Commitments and Anchor Goals

The Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners receives and approves a school library's or school district library department's strategic plan. Once approved, BPS Libraries can apply for Library Services and Technology Act grants. In order for a school or district library strategic plan to remain compliant,

an annual action plan must be submitted. Funding for these grants come from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.