

### FUNDING PROPOSALS AND APPLICATIONS

The Attleboro School Committee encourages the administration to seek and secure all possible sources of state, federal, and other special funds that will enhance the educational opportunities for the children in our schools.

The Superintendent shall keep informed of all possible funds available to the school system under the various state and federal programs and in what manner these funds can best be used in the school system.

The Superintendent or his/her designee shall be responsible for seeking out and coordinating the development of proposals for all specially funded projects. When the Superintendent believes that it is in the best interest of the Attleboro Public School district to apply for a competitive grant or other funding opportunity s/he shall provide to the full School Committee a summary using the Grant/Funding Summary Form provided as Exhibit DD-E1.

When the Superintendent feels that a grant or funding opportunity is of the magnitude to warrant a presentation to the members of the School Committee s/he will confer with the Chairperson of the School Committee to request to have the presentation placed on an upcoming full School Committee meeting agenda.

When a grant or funding opportunity is declined, the Superintendent will inform the School Committee members. When a grant or funding opportunity is awarded, the Superintendent will confer with the Chairperson of the School Committee to request to have the item placed on an upcoming full School Committee meeting agenda. A detailed presentation of all aspects of the awarded non-entitlement grant or funding opportunity will be provided to the members of the School Committee.

The affirmative vote of a majority of the full School Committee shall be necessary to approve the grant or funding opportunity.

The Superintendent is authorized to sign all reports for grant or funding opportunity projects and shall be responsible for the proper expenditure of funds received for such projects.

#### Definitions

**Federal Entitlement Grant:** Awarded to recipients on the basis of formulas set forth in laws or regulations. Recipients are entitled to receive funds if they comply with the programmatic requirements outlined in the Request for Proposal (RFP).

**State Allocation Grant:** Awarded to recipients based on formulas developed to promote Department priorities. The programmatic requirements outlined in the RFP must be met before the grant will be awarded.

**Competitive Grant:** Open to applicants that meet eligibility criteria listed in the RFP. Reading teams and rating sheets are used in the review process to ensure a fair and open competition among eligible applicants.

**Continuation Grant:** Those in which the recipients of grants in one year are awarded funds for the following year. These are grants that were initially competitive and are funded for multiple years on a continuation basis.

**Other Grant:** Awarded on a first come, first served basis, or to a limited number of recipients based on certain eligibility criteria, or on a continuation basis to the same recipients but at a higher level of support.

Source: MASC

#### Legal References:

- M.G.L. 44:53A
- M.G.L. 71:37A
- P. L. 874 Impact Aid
- Board of Education 603, CMR  
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