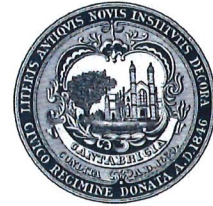


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CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

135 BERKSHIRE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141



December 7, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

GRANT AWARD: **Imagined in Cambridge- CCF (SC22174)**

RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee accept and approve the grant award below in the amount and for the period indicated.


Amount: \$5,000.00 Period: 10/4/2021-10/4/2022  
Source: Private Administrator: Christine Gerber

Expense Category	FY21 Budget	FY21 FTE	FY22 Budget	FY22 FTE
Permanent Salaries & Benefits	-	-	-	-
Temporary Salaries	-	-	1,000.00	-
Other Expenses	-	-	\$4,000.00	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	-

Description:

This grant from the Cambridge Community Foundation’s (CCF) Innovation program will fund a voluntary after-school HEART (Holistic Emergency Alternative Response Team) group at the Kennedy Longfellow school. Awarded as a result of a student’s application to CCF, 5<sup>th</sup> graders who are interested in learning a range of skills that promote mental health will meet every other week under the guidance of a staff member skilled in this area. Among the topics they will explore are: identifying emotions and learning how to safely express them; developing conflict resolution skills such as Circle Processes and Non-violent communication, and exploring mindfulness techniques such as breathing and meditation. The grant will pay for art and journal supplies, media products, t shirts, yoga mats, snacks, and stipends for guest speakers.

SUPPORTING DATA: **RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter III, Section 19, Acceptance of Grants for Expenditure.** Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L.c.44 & 53A, the Superintendent or his/her designee may submit applications for grants or gifts from federal, state, charitable foundation, private corporation or individual. Grant or gift awards for educational purposes must be submitted to the School Committee for acceptance and approval prior to expenditure.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
 Victoria L. Greer, PhD  
 Interim Superintendent of Schools